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CHAS. E. CLINE, SPEAKER.
S. P. CARUSI, CHIEF CLERK.

OLYMPIA, WASH.
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S. P. Carusi,
Chief Clerk of the House.
Pursuant to law, the House of Representatives of the State of Washington met in its fifth regular biennial session in the Representatives Hall in the State Capitol, at 12 o'clock noon, and was called to order by Fred Z. Alexander, assistant chief clerk of the House at the last session of the state legislature.

The proceedings were opened with prayer by Rev. Clark Davis, of King county.

The following communication from the Secretary of State was read:

STATE OF WASHINGTON, DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
OLYMPIA, JANUARY 11, 1897.

To the Honorable House of Representatives, State of Washington:

Gentlemen—I have the honor to transmit herewith a certified list containing the names of all persons elected as members of your honorable body at the late general election, and at the special election held in the Twenty-third Representative District, as shown by the election returns now on file in this office.

Very respectfully,

J. H. PRICE, Secretary of State.

STATE OF WASHINGTON, OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE,
OLYMPIA, JANUARY 11, 1897.

I, J. H. Price, Secretary of State of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the annexed list contains the names of all persons elected to the House of Representatives, State of Washington, as members thereof, at the late general election, and at the special election held in the Twenty-third Representative District, as shown by the election returns now on file in this office.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the State of Washington, the day and date first above written.

J. H. PRICE, Secretary of State.

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STATE OF WASHINGTON.

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Thirty-sixth District, ........................................... John Forbes.
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Thirty-seventh District, ........................................ James H. Ross.
Thirty-eighth District, ......................................... Van R. Pierson.
Thirty-eighth District, ......................................... James C. Merrifield.
Thirty-ninth District, .......................................... Eugene W. Way.
Thirty-ninth District, .......................................... George N. Hodgdon.
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Fortieth District, ............................................... John H. Powell.
Forty-first District, ............................................ Harry K. Struve.
Forty-first District, ............................................ E. H. Guie.
Forty-second District, .......................................... Hans Hansen.
Forty-second District, .......................................... Solon T. Williams.
Forty-third District, ........................................... Thomas Winsor.
Forty-third District, ........................................... Paul Land.
Forty-third District, ........................................... A. D. Warner.
Forty-third District, ........................................... John G. Fritz.
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Forty-seventh District, ......................................... William H. Thacker.
Forty-eighth District, .......................................... A. T. Tobiasen.
Forty-eighth District, .......................................... Charles E. Cline.
Forty-ninth District, ........................................... John L. Likins.
Forty-ninth District, ........................................... J. P. de Mattos.

The roll of members elect as certified by the secretary of state was called, and all the members answered to their names except Mr. John B. Libby, of Jefferson.

The officiating assistant chief clerk, F. Z. Alexander, appointed Representatives Kittenger, A. S. Bush and C. Smith as a committee to escort Associate Justice Scott within the bar to administer the oath of office to the members elect.

Mr. Likins nominated Mr. Cline, of Whatcom, for speaker of the House.

On motion of Mr. Ross, the nomination was made unanimous.

On motion of Mr. Williams, the officiating clerk was instructed to record the unanimous vote of the House for Mr. Cline for speaker.

Mr. Cline received 76 votes, as follows: Messrs. Ames, Baker F. R., Baker G. H., Baker S. W., Barlow, Bush A. S., Bush C. P., Canutt, Carr, Caywood, Clapp, Conine, Couch, Day, de Mattos,

Absent or not voting: Mr. Libby.

Mr. Kittinger introduced the following resolution:

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, That there shall be elected by the House the following employes: One chief clerk, one assistant chief clerk, one journal clerk, one docket clerk, one enrolling clerk, one engrossing clerk, four committee clerks, one sergeant-at-arms, one assistant sergeant-at-arms, who shall be doorkeeper; one watchman, who shall be janitor; one postmaster, and three pages, one to be appointed by the chair.

Associate Justice Scott administered the oath of office to Speaker elect Mr. Chas. E. Cline.

The resolution by Mr. Kittinger, in regard to employment of House employes, was, on motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, laid on the table.

Mr. Warner introduced the following resolution:

Resolved, That there shall be elected by the House the following employes: One chief clerk, one assistant chief clerk, one sergeant-at-arms, one reading clerk, one docket clerk, one journal clerk, one enrolling and engrossing clerk, one assistant sergeant-at-arms, who shall be doorkeeper; one day watchman, who shall do janitor work; one night watchman, who shall do janitor work; one postmaster, who shall be messenger; three pages, the presiding officer to appoint one.

On motion of Mr. Phelps, the resolution was adopted.

Mr. F. R. Baker nominated S. P. Carusi, of Clallam, for the office of chief clerk.

Mr. Hagadorn seconded the nomination, and moved that the officiating clerk record the unanimous vote of the House for S. P. Carusi.

The motion was carried, and Mr. S. P. Carusi received 77 votes, as follows: Messrs. Ames, Baker F. R., Baker G. H., Baker S. W., Barlow, Bush A. S., Bush C. P., Canutt, Carr, Caywood, Clapp, Conine, Couch, Day, de Mattos, Edwards J. M., Edwards J. O.,
Absence or not voting: Mr. Libby.

Mr. Way nominated J. M. Page, of King, for the office of assistant chief clerk. Seconded by Mr. Guie and Mr. Kincaid.

On motion of Mr. Hodgdon, the nominations were closed, and the officiating clerk was instructed to record the vote of the House for J. M. Page.


Absent or not voting: Mr. Libby.

Messrs. Carusi and Page were called and duly sworn in as chief clerk and assistant chief clerk, respectively, by the speaker.

Mr. Richmond nominated Mr. A. P. Tugwell, of Lewis, for the office of sergeant-at-arms.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the nominations were closed, and the vote of the House recorded for Mr. A. P. Tugwell for sergeant-at-arms.


Absent or not voting: Mr. Libby.

Mr. Warner nominated Mr. H. W. Boyer, of Snohomish, for the office of reading clerk. Seconded by Mr. Land.

On motion of Mr. Ross, it was ordered that when there were no contests the clerk be instructed to record the unanimous vote of the House for the nominee. The motion was seconded by Mr. Richmond and carried.


Absent or not voting: Mr. Libby.

Mr. H. D. Smith nominated Mr. J. I. Hubbard, of Whitman, for the office of docket clerk.

Seconded by Mr. C. Smith.

Mr. Marshall nominated Mr. J. B. Gehr for the office of journal clerk.


Absent or not voting: Mr. Libby.

Mr. Ross nominated Miss Fay Fuller, of Pierce, for the office of enrolling clerk. Seconded by Mr. Warner.


Absent or not voting: Mr. Libby.
Mr. Wilkeson nominated Mr. A. A. Taubeneck, of Skagit, for the office of assistant sergeant-at-arms.


Absent or not voting: Mr. Libby.

Mr. Merrifield nominated Mr. C. H. Guiberson, of King, for the office of day watchman and janitor.


Absent or not voting: Mr. Libby.

Mr. Roberts nominated Mr. Peter Barrows, of Spokane, for the office of night watchman and janitor.

Mr. Barrows received 77 votes, as follows: Messrs. Ames, Baker F. R., Baker G. H., Baker S. W., Barlow, Bush A. S., Bush C. P., Canutt, Carr, Caywood, Clapp, Conine, Couch, Day, de Mattos, Edwards J. M., Edwards J. O., Freeman, Fritz, Forbes, Guie, Geraghty, Gerry, Gilkey, Hagadorn, Hansen, Hicks, Hodgdon, Hooper, Irvin, Johnston, Jory, Kincaid, Kittinger, Koehler, Land,

Absent or not voting: Mr. Libby.

Mr. Mohundro nominated Mr. J. A. Helman, of Spokane, for the office of postmaster and messenger.


Absent or not voting: Mr. Libby.

Mr. Hooper nominated Master Raleigh George for the office of page.

Mr. John B. Johnston nominated Master Ernest Covert, of Thurston, for the office of page.

Mr. Speaker appointed Miss Ina Forrest, of Thurston, for the office of speaker's page.

dust, and Mr. Speaker.

Absent or not voting: Mr. Libby.

On motion of Mr. Hodgdon, all state officials and ex-state officials were invited to seats within the bar of the House.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the rules of 1895 were to be in force until committee on rules have time to report.

Mr. Phelps introduced the following resolution:

Resolved, That the chair appoint a committee of three, of the House, to confer with a like committee from the Senate, for the purpose of adopting joint rules and committees for the government of both houses.

On motion of Mr. Phelps, the resolution was adopted.

The following were named as the committee: Messrs. Ross, Williams, and Richmond.

On motion of Mr. Ross, the speaker was instructed to appoint a committee of five to fix the salaries of House employees.

The speaker appointed Messrs. Ross, Bush C. P., Witt, Moore and Gerry, a committee to fix the salaries of the employes of the House.

Mr. Williams introduced the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sergeant-at-arms be instructed to procure and affix to the desk of each member a card bearing the name and county of such member.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Likins introduced the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee of seven members be appointed by the speaker to group the standing committees of this House for committee clerks, and recommend compensation for the same; said clerks to be afterwards selected by the respective chairmen of the several groups, and that the names be submitted for ratification.

The resolution was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Kittinger, the sergeant-at-arms was instructed to procure the necessary stationery for use by the members of this House.

The motion was adopted.

Mr. C. Smith introduced the following resolution:

Resolved, That the speaker appoint a special committee on privileges and elections, consisting of seven members, which shall organize at once, and proceed to investigate and pass upon such contests as may be brought
before this body for its decision, to the end that they may be settled expeditiously.

C. Smith moved to adopt the resolution.

On vote the resolution was adopted.

The following committee was appointed by the speaker as a special committee on elections: Messrs. Smith C., Witt, Phelps, Kittinger, Baker S. W., Koehler, and Mentzer.

Moved by Mr. de Mattos, that a committee of three be appointed to act with a joint committee of the Senate to wait upon the governor and inform him that the Senate and House of Representatives are organized and ready for the transaction of business.

The motion was carried.

The following named gentlemen were appointed to act as such committee by the speaker: Messrs. de Mattos, Witt, and Guie.

On motion of Mr. Kittinger, the speaker was instructed to appoint a committee of three to notify the Senate that the House was organized and ready for business.

The speaker appointed Messrs. Kittinger, Warner and Phelps, as such committee.

On motion of Mr. Witt, the different resident pastors were requested to alternate in acting as chaplain of this House.

The motion was adopted.

The special committee appointed to inform the Senate of the organization of the House, reported and was discharged.

On motion of Mr. Williams, the House adjourned at 1:35 o’clock P. M.

CHAS. E. CLINE, Speaker.

S. P. CARUSI, Chief Clerk.

SECOND DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Washington, Tuesday, January 12, 1897.

10 o’clock A. M.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 10 o’clock A. M., and was called to order by Speaker Cline.
Rev. Dr. Hayes, of the United Presbyterian Church, opened proceedings by prayer.

The roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names.

Mr. Libby, of Jefferson, was sworn in by Mr. Speaker.

The journal of the preceding day was read and approved.

Mr. Speaker announced the special committee to group committees as follows: Messrs. Likins, Hodgdon, Marshall, Carr, Nelson, McAtee, and Hagadorn.

The following resolution was introduced by Mr. Phelps:

Resolved, That the chief clerk be authorized to order from the state printing office a supply of stationery, viz.: Letter heads and No. 6½ envelopes, 500 of each; memorandum letter heads and envelopes, 150 of each, and 200 No. 10 envelopes, with the name and address of each member printed thereon.

On motion of Mr. Geraghty, the resolution was adopted.

The following communication was received from secretary of state:

STATE OF WASHINGTON, DEPARTMENT OF STATE, OLYMPIA, JANUARY 11, 1897.

To the Honorable Speaker of the House of Representatives, State of Washington:

Sir—I have the honor to transmit herewith notices of contest, as follows:

Hargrave vs. Sims, Twenty-third Representative District.
Rader vs. Seymore, Thirtieth Representative District.

Very respectfully, J. H. PRICE, Secretary of State.

The communication was referred, by the speaker, to Committee on Privileges and Elections.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, seconded by Mr. Land, the canvassing of election returns was made a special order for 2 o'clock p. m. of to-day.

The following communication was received from the secretary of state:

STATE OF WASHINGTON, DEPARTMENT OF STATE, OLYMPIA, JANUARY 11, 1897.

To the Honorable Speaker of the House of Representatives State of Washington:

Sir—I have the honor to transmit herewith, in compliance with the provisions of section 4, article 3, Washington state constitution, certain packages purporting to be election returns for the offices named in section 1 of said article.

Very respectfully, J. H. PRICE, Secretary of State.
The following communication was received from the secretary of state:

STATE OF WASHINGTON, DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
OLYMPIA, January 11, 1897.

To the Honorable Speaker of the House of Representatives, State of Washington:

Sir—I have the honor to transmit herewith, for the consideration of the House, House bills Nos. 97, 2, and 656, session of 1895, which were vetoed by the governor, and filed in this office as provided by section 12, article 3, state constitution.

Very respectfully, J. H. PRICE, Secretary of State.

Mr. de Mattos moved that the veto message be made a special order for 11 o’clock A. M. of to-day.

Amended by Mr. F. R. Baker, to read: "On Monday next at 2 o’clock P. M."

The motion was adopted as amended.

Senator Dorr, of a committee from the Senate, reported the organization of the Senate.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SALARIES AND EMPLOYES.

The following report of the Committee on Salaries and Employes was submitted:

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Salaries of Officers and Employes, beg leave to make the following report. Salaries to be as follows:

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Your committee also recommend that the speaker be allowed the extra compensation of $3 per day, and that the office of speaker’s secretary be abolished.

(Signed:) JAS. HUGH ROSS,
C. J. MOORE,
C. P. BUSH,
GEO. M. WITT,
ROBT. GERRY.
Committee.

Mr. Ross moved the adoption of the report.
The motion was seconded by Mr. Mentzer.

Mr. Williams moved to amend by making salary of reading clerk $5 per day.

On the request of Mr. Ross, the amendment was withdrawn.

Mr. Phelps moved to amend to make salary of pages $1.50 per day.

The amendment was lost, by the following vote: Ayes 18, noes 60.


On motion, the original report was then adopted.

The following concurrent resolution was received from the Senate, and adopted:

Resolved by the Senate, the House concurring, That a committee of two from the Senate and three from the House be appointed to inform the governor that the legislature is organized and ready to receive any communication he may desire to make.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the chief clerk was instructed to procure bill covers necessary for members.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, rule 32 was suspended until the Committee on Rules shall report.

On motion of Mr. de Mattos, a committee of three was appointed to invite the Senate to a joint session to canvass state election returns; the motion prevailing.

The chair appointed the following members: Messrs. de Mattos, Merrifield and Guie, as such committee.

Mr. Warner introduced House memorial No. 1, relating to Cuba. Referred to Committee on Memorials.

Mr. Mathiot introduced House concurrent resolution No. 1, in
relation to election of United States senators by direct vote of the people.

Referred to Committee on Memorials.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were read the first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees:

House bill No. 1, by Mr. Warner: An act to reduce the expenses of state and county government, and to abolish certain offices.

Referred to Committee on Public Morals.

House bill No. 2, by Mr. Warner: An act to repeal chapter 60 of the Laws of 1895, entitled "An act to amend section 15 of chapter 138 of the Session Laws of 1893, entitled 'An act to provide for the location and erection of a capitol building, and providing an appropriation therefor.'"

Referred to Committee on Buildings and Grounds.

House bill No. 3, by Mr. Warner: An act to protect and preserve the rights of citizens of this state in the use and enjoyment of the streets, avenues, parkways and highways.

Referred to Committee on Roads and Highways.

House bill No. 4, by Mr. A. S. Bush: An act providing for the removal of civil officers otherwise than by impeachment.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 5, by Mr. A. S. Bush: An act to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for annexing certain county territory to neighboring county to which it is contiguous," approved March 9, 1891.

Referred to Committee on Counties and County Boundaries.

House bill No. 6, by Mr. A. S. Bush: An act defining the crime of rape, and prescribing punishment therefor, and repealing section 28 of the Penal Code of Washington, as numbered in Hill's Annotated Code of Washington.

Referred to Committee on Public Morals.

House bill No. 7, by Mr. J. B. Smith: An act providing a penalty for public officers of the State of Washington who accept or use a pass, or who purchase transportation from any railroad or other corporation other than as the same may be purchased by the general public, and providing a penalty for railroad or other corporations who issue transporation or a pass to a public officer.
of the State of Washington other than as the same is sold or issued to the general public, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Public Morals.

House bill No. 8, by Mr. J. B. Smith: An act providing for a board of state affairs, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.

House bill No. 9, by Mr. J. B. Smith: An act fixing maximum railroad rates for the transportation of passengers, baggage and freight in the State of Washington, and providing a penalty for violation thereof.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

House bill No. 10, by Mr. Powell: An act defining the character of liabilities incurred by married men.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 11, by Mr. Clapp: An act regulating the manner of the payment of salaries of county officers, abolishing the fund known as the salary fund, and repealing sections 36 and 37 of an act entitled "An act classifying counties according to population, enumerating the county officers, fixing the salaries thereof, providing for deputies, collection of fees, and payment of salaries," received by the governor March 26, 1890, and repealing all acts in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.

House bill No. 12, by Mr. Powell: An act to prevent the transportation of public officers by common carriers, without charge, or upon terms other than those offered to the general public.

Referred to Committee on Public Morals.


Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 14, by Mr. Merrifield: An act establishing the mileage rate for state, county and municipal officers, witnesses and jurymen.

Referred to Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.

House bill No. 15, by Mr. Mathiot: An act to repeal an act to provide for state grain weighing and grading, creating the office of
state grain inspector, establishing a state grain commission, and making an appropriation of $2,000.

Referred to Committee on Federal Relations.

House bill No. 16, by Mr. Koehler: An act prohibiting the use of pound nets, traps, weirs, wheels and other fixed appliances for taking fish within the public waters and streams of the State of Washington, and providing a penalty for the violation thereof.

Referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

House bill No. 17, by Mr. Barlow: An act to amend an act entitled "An act to amend section six (6) of an act entitled 'An act to prescribe the duties and fix the compensation of the reporter of the supreme court,' approved December 20, 1889, and declaring an emergency," approved February 26, 1891, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 18, by Mr. Warner: An act relating to the exemption of wages and salaries from garnishment.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 19, by Mr. Mathiot: An act to repeal an act to create a warehouse commission, and to regulate grain warehouses, and the inspection, weighing and handling of grain, and defining the duties of the warehouse commission in relation thereto.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

House bill No. 20, by Mr. Gilkey: An act to amend section nine (9) of an act entitled "An act providing for the organization, classification, incorporation and government of municipal corporations, and declaring an emergency," and approved March 27, 1890, and to declare an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Municipal Corporations.

House bill No. 21, by Mr. Clapp: An act relating to penalty and interest on state, county and municipal taxes which became due and payable prior to January 1, 1897, and where the property has not been sold to third parties, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

On motion the House adjourned to 2 o'clock p. m.
The House was called to order at 2 o'clock P. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

The roll was called, and all members answered to their names. C. H. Guiberson was sworn in as day watchman by Mr. Speaker.

House bill No. 23, an act entitled "An act making an appropriation to continue the operation of the state salmon hatcheries," was introduced by Mr. Wilkeson.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the rules were suspended, the bill read first time by title only, and second time in full.

And on motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the rules were further suspended, the bill considered read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

The bill passed, by the following vote: Ayes 68, noes 10.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

JOINT SESSION.

The Senate and House met in joint session at 2:15 o'clock p. m.

The roll was called; all members answering to their names; Speaker Cline presiding.

The joint body then proceeded to canvass the vote for state officers.

On count, it was found that the following named persons received the votes cast at the election held on the 4th day of November, 1897:
The speaker declared the following candidates elected to the several offices named, to wit:

**Governor**................................. **John R. Rogers.**
**Lieutenant Governor**.................. **Thurston Daniels.**
**Secretary of State**...................... **Will D. Jenkins.**
**State Treasurer**......................... **C. W. Young.**
**Auditor**.................................. **Neal Cheetham.**
**Attorney General**....................... **Patrick Henry Winston.**
**Superintendent of Public Instruction** **Frank J. Browne.**
**Commissioner of Public Lands**....... **Robert Bridges.**

On motion of Senator Wilson, the joint session adjourned at 4:50 o’clock P. M.
The chair then proceeded to announce the vote on House bill No. 23, and on motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the rules were further suspended and the bill was ordered transmitted to the Senate.

The following resolution, by Mr. Roberts, was presented:

Resolved, That the sergeant-at-arms be instructed to purchase five dollars' worth of stamps for each member; also one waste basket for each desk; also one dollar's worth of one-cent paper wrappers for each member.

Mr. F. R. Baker moved to amend so as to read $2.50 instead of $5, and that no paper wrappers be allowed.

The amendments were adopted.

Mr. Johnston moved to strike out provisions for waste baskets.

On vote, the motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Roberts, the resolution was adopted as amended.

The committee appointed to inform the governor of the organization of the House and Senate, reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

Your committee appointed to wait on his excellency, the governor, and inform him of the organization of the legislature, beg leave to report that with a like committee of the Senate they waited on Governor McGraw, and afterwards held an informal conference with the private secretary of the governor-elect. The retiring governor will be pleased to meet the legislature in joint session, at 12 noon to-morrow (Wednesday), when he will deliver his final message, to be followed at 2 o'clock P. M. by the inaugural address and message from the incoming governor.

Respectfully submitted.

J. P. de Mattos, Chairman.
GEO. M. WITT.
E. H. GUL.

Mr. Scott introduced the following resolution, and moved its adoption:

Resolved, That the sergeant-at-arms be instructed to procure keys for the desks of the members of this House.

On motion of Mr. Scott, the resolution was amended to provide for locks for the desks of members.

Resolution adopted as amended.

Having received unanimous consent, Mr. Warner called up House memorial No. 1, out of its regular order.

Mr. Warner moved the suspension of the rules, and that the memorial be passed to second reading.

Mr. de Mattos moved to refer the memorial to the Committee on Federal Relations.
Mr. F. R. Baker moved, as a substitute, to refer.
The substitute was adopted.
Thereupon the memorial was referred to the Committee on Memorials.
On motion, the House adjourned at 5:10 o’clock P. M.

S. P. Carusi, Chief Clerk.

THIRD DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Washington, Wednesday, January 13, 1897,
10 o’clock A. M.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 10 o’clock A. M., and was called to order by Speaker Cline.
Rev. J. S. McCallum, of the First Christian Church, opened the proceedings with prayer.
The roll was called; all members being present, and answering to their names.
The journal of the preceding day was ordered read.
Mr. Gerry moved to suspend further reading of the journal, and to approve the same.
The motion was lost.
Whereupon, the reading of the journal was had in full, minor errors corrected, and approved as read.
Mr. de Mattos moved that the sergeant-at-arms be instructed to procure soap and towels for the use of the members of the House.
The motion was lost.
Mr. Witt moved that the sergeant-at-arms be instructed to keep “this” door shut.
The motion was adopted.
The speaker reported the following committees, and members to serve on same:


INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were read the first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees:

House bill No. 22, by Mr. Mathiot: An act to govern contests of elections of county and state officers.
Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections.

House bill No. 24, by Mr. de Mattos: An act to provide for voting on a constitutional amendment at the general election to be held in November, 1898, relative to the qualifications of electors.
Referred to Committee on Constitutional Revision.

House bill No. 25, by Mr. de Mattos: An act to provide for voting on a constitutional amendment at the general election to be held in November, 1898, relative to the jurisdiction and powers of the supreme court.
Referred to Committee on Constitutional Revision.

House bill No. 26, by Mr. Guie: An act to provide for the platting of real estate by the personal representatives of decedents.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 27, by Mr. Guie: An act to provide for exemptions in cases of assignments for the benefit of creditors.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 28, by Mr. Guie: An act for the protection and welfare of children.
Referred to Committee on Public Morals.

House bill No. 29, by Mr. Powell: A bill to provide for the custody and control of minor children in certain cases.
Referred to Committee on Public Morals.

House bill No. 30, by Mr. Guie: An act to amend section 1439 of the General Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington, arranged and annotated by William Lair Hill, concerning the recording of deeds and mortgages.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 31, by Mr. Guie: An act to provide for the record of assignments and satisfactions of judgments, and of transcripts of such assignments and satisfactions.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 32, by Mr. Land: An act requiring street rail-
ways and street car companies or corporations owning or operating street railways or street car lines, to employ competent men to operate and assist in operating cars and dummies on such car lines, and defining the meaning of who competent men are for such service, and providing a penalty for the violation of this act.

Referred to Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics.

House bill No. 33, by Mr. C. P. Bush: An act relating to insurance.

Referred to Committee on Insurance.

House bill No. 34, by Mr. C. P. Bush: An act providing for the election of city marshal in cities of the third and fourth class, and other cities of equal population.

Referred to Committee on Municipal Corporations.

House bill No. 35, by Mr. Gilkey: An act relating to boom companies, prescribing their duties and fixing their liabilities, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on Harbors and Waterways.

House bill No. 36, by Mr. Barlow: An act prohibiting divorced persons from contracting marriages with third persons within the period of two years from the entering of the decree of divorce, and during the time in which an appeal from such decree may be pending.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 37, by Mr. Barlow: An act to amend section one of an act entitled “An act to provide for the punishment of the crime against nature, and declaring an emergency,” passed at the legislative session of 1893.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 38, by Mr. Hansen: An act to prevent dissection and vivisection in the schools of the State of Washington, and providing a penalty therefor.

Referred to Committee on Public Morals.

House bill No. 39, by Mr. Hansen: An act compelling receivers to pay their employes.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 40, by Mr. C. P. Bush: An act relating to instruction to jurors by the judges of superior courts of the State of Washington.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 41, by Mr. Gerry: An act abolishing the office of lieutenant governor.
Referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

House bill No. 42, by Mr. Roberts: An act to amend section 4 of an act entitled "An act relating to the organization, powers and duties of the supreme court, and declaring an emergency to exist," approved December 23, 1889.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 43, by Mr. Warner: An act for the relief of Snohomish county.

Referred to the Committee on Claims and Auditing.

Mr. Hodgdon moved a resolution that all bills hereafter presented be in typewriting.

On motion of Mr. de Mattos, the motion was laid on the table.

By general consent, Mr. de Mattos introduced and moved the adoption of joint resolution No. 2, relating to the purchase of the Code of Laws of the State of Washington for 1896.

On motion of Mr. Williams, the resolution was ordered referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Barlow, the House took a recess until 11:50 o'clock A.M.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House was called to order by Speaker Cline at 11:50 o'clock A.M.

Mr. C. Smith, of special committee on elections, was, by general consent, allowed one committee clerk.

A communication from the governor, relating to pardons, was received, and the hour for special order having arrived, at 12 M., the reading of the governor's communication was suspended.

The speaker appointed Messrs. Freeman, Windust and Marshall as a committee to inform the Senate of the arrival of the hour for joint session to receive Governor McGraw.

The speaker appointed Messrs. Wilkeson, Merrifield and Libby to wait upon and inform Governor McGraw that the joint session was ready to receive him.

At 12:10 o'clock P.M., the House and Senate met in joint session; Lieutenant Governor Luce in the chair.

The roll was called; all members being present.

On motion of Senator Washburn, a committee of five was appointed to wait upon the governor and inform him that the House and Senate, in joint session, awaited his pleasure.

Messrs. Wilkeson, Merrifield and Libby, and Senators Washburn and Miller, were appointed as such committee.
The sergeant-at-arms announced the presence of Governor Mc-
Graw.

On the invitation of President Luce, the governor advanced to
the speaker's chair.

He was then introduced to the senators and representatives in
joint session and delivered the following message:

STATE OF WASHINGTON, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
OLYMPIA, January 13, 1897.

Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives:

You are assembled to exercise the highest privilege known to man in
a free state, that of making laws to govern your fellow men. Upon your
action may depend the lives and welfare of your friends and neighbors;
the prosperity and advancement of our cherished commonwealth, and
the worth of your future. Remembering the maxim whose truth has
been approved by the experience of ages, "That people is best governed
which is least governed," you will, I am assured, approach the execution
of your delicate duties with caution and prudence, to the end that all
good citizens may approve your course.

"In a free country," said that noble spirit, George William Curtis, who
devoted a long and lovely life to one of the best of popular reforms, that
of civil service, "an election is intended to be, and of right should be, the
choice of differing policies of administration by the people at the polls." But
government by party does not imply that partisan feelings, party
spirit, should enter into government, least of all in our federal republic
where its perniciousness has been most felt, for even at the outset of our
nation that wise man whose name our state commemorates, said of party
spirit, "It exists under different shapes in all government, more or less
stiffed, controlled or repressed; but in those of popular form it is seen
in its greatest rankness, and is truly their worst enemy."

Fortunately for our national welfare the political forces at work have,
as a rule, been so evenly balanced that the resultant, especially in legis-
lation, has been to urge us upward and onward in material and social
progress between closely converging lines, no matter what party has
been in power. The evils of party spirit have been most viciously exer-
cised in states where the balance of power between parties has been least
evenly divided. Indeed, it may be said that it is an axiom of practical
politics that large legislative majorities are most difficult to harmonize
for a wise common purpose.

You, gentlemen, more truly than has been wonted in our legislative
assemblies, represent all the people of the state in their political convic-
tions. Every shade of opinion known to our politics is, I believe, repre-
sented among you. This, in my judgment, is as it should be; for, to be
frank with you, I for one do not believe that political representation
should be all one sided, though, as a good republican, I should be pleased
to see a few more of my party here, and I must take comfort in the belief
that a good sound whipping is sometimes as salutary for a party as for a
strong and headstrong boy.
I believe in the sane judgment of the American people. I do not believe that any triumph of principles with which I do not agree will work any lasting injury; for if right they should triumph, and if wrong the people have a speedy remedy and will not fail to apply it.

Gentlemen of the legislature, I will not dwell at length upon the general policy which I think should be pursued in your legislation. To do so at this time is the special prerogative of the governor-elect, whose success as an administrator so largely depends upon your cooperation in his recommendations; but I would be recreant to my constitutional duty and to my own convictions did I not ask your attention to some of the needs of the state as I have seen them in the past four years, and as I feel them now.

TENDENCY TOWARD EXCESSIVE APPROPRIATIONS.

The impulses of a legislature influenced as it always is by a combination of local interests and confidence in state credit are nearly always lavish, so much so that I have vetoed over a quarter of a million dollars appropriated. This lavishness of appropriations had as its excuse the over confidence of the legislators in the resources of our state, perhaps excusable in men so enthusiastic over its future, as nearly all were by reason of "boom times." I venture to repeat my former suggestion that "the present legislature should closely scrutinize all appropriation acts and defend the taxpayers from a repetition of such folly." Under existing laws it is impossible for the government to veto many items of appropriation which in his judgment might be reduced because of the custom of making appropriations in a lump sum. For instance, there was appropriated by the last legislature—

For maintenance Western Washington hospital for the insane... \$160,000
For maintenance Eastern Washington hospital for the insane... 100,000
For maintenance state penitentiary... 125,000
For maintenance state university... 90,000

\$485,000

Here are four items of appropriation aggregating nearly half a million dollars without a detail. If such items were detailed, doubtless the governor could find several items which might be omitted without seriously crippling the objects of maintenance. At present he cannot do this. Early in the session a law should be passed requiring each appropriation item to be detailed. The legislation I have recommended has been adopted in many states. You should see to it, also, that the state's money is not allowed to remain idle. Under the present system this is unavoidable. A simple remedy, as I have before advised, is to pass an act turning the idle money from all save the bond and interest fund into the general fund for the redemption of warrants in rotation.

STATE DEBT.

From a careful examination of the state auditor's records you will see that the increase of the state debt, if taxes had been paid, under the present administration from January 1, 1893, to November 1, 1896, has been \$174,748.87. The debt of the state when this administration began
was $1,204,092.58. On November 1, 1896, it was $2,185,038.72. On November 1, 1892, the taxes delinquent and unpaid amounted to $150,000; and on November 1, 1896, the unpaid taxes due the state amounted to $955,905.50.

Under this administration $251,000 deficiencies left over by the last administration have been paid, and nearly $150,000 in interest on obligations then incurred, a total of $400,000. Under this administration there are no deficiencies, the last legislature, on my recommendation, having passed a law rendering them impossible. You will see that it is absolutely imperative that the laws for the collection of taxes should be rigidly enforced no matter upon what basis of expense you may put the state government. It is my opinion that a large amount in interest might be saved to the state by pursuing the policy adopted by several of our counties, irrespective of their politics, in funding the debt by issuing long term, low interest bonds. At present our annual interest account on our outstanding warrants, at 8 per cent. per annum, is approximately $150,000. Fund this debt, which will require a constitutional amendment, and then insist upon keeping the state upon a cash basis, and you will have easy burdens for the taxpayers, and the assurance of a prosperous and well regulated state.

FOREST PRESERVATION.

A measure which seems to me imperatively needed is the creation by law of an adequate forest preservation patrol, for the prevention of forest fires, the preservation of our forests, and the punishment of trespassers on public lands of the state. Now that the federal land grant is practically completed, its preservation is the next need in legislation. The destruction of valuable property annually by fire runs up into the hundreds of thousands of dollars; to say nothing of the destruction by floods, so largely caused by denudation of forests. With the abolition of the state land commission, as at present constituted, recommended both by the board of state land commissioners and the commissioner of public lands, in which recommendation I concur, it might be well to create a new land and forest commission, to serve without pay, except per diem and expenses for stated meetings, who shall cooperate with the commissioner of public lands in formulating regulations for forest preservation.

Some such action as this has been recommended in nearly every western state, and the federal congress has created a forest commission of scientific experts, whose recommendations the state land and forest commission should be authorized to carry into effect. Such a commission as I suggest should have as members scientists and experts, chosen irrespective of politics.

INVESTMENT OF PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND.

On my recommendation, the last legislature authorized the investment of the permanent school fund in state warrants. The result has been gratifying. Under the former system, profitable security was almost impossible to obtain, and the uninvested fund gradually crept up to $147,347.78 on November 1, 1894. On October 31, 1896, there had been invested
in state warrants $212,803.46, bearing eight per cent. interest per annum. No better security can be had by the state than the state's own paper. The system practically amounts to taking money out of one pocket, putting it into another, and paying the current school fund a high rate of interest for the privilege of doing so. Prior to the adoption of this system practically the best rate of interest on securities obtainable averaged five and one-half per cent. On the transactions of the past two years the current school fund has, therefore, profited, and will continue to profit until the warrants are redeemed, at the rate of 2½ per cent. on $212,803.46, or $5,320 per annum; a showing which should be gratifying to every taxpayer and parent of a school child.

STATE INSTITUTIONS.

At the last session of the legislature I recommended a sweeping reform in the government of state institutions. I asked that "management of state institutions should be provided for in one general act, all commissions, directors, boards and administrative officers to be placed under the supervision of an examiner, who shall act under the instructions of the governor in scrutinizing contracts, investigating methods and discipline, and in checking up disbursements." This I considered then and consider now the most needed reform in actual state government. I hope that you can see your way to effect it.

The state institutions, I believe, will be found to have been as well and safely managed as any in the United States, and exceptionally well in most instances. For details I refer you to the reports. It is proper here to say that a judgment has been recovered against the bondsmen of the late warden of the penitentiary, J. H. Coblentz, for the full penal sum of his bond, $10,000.

Without intending any invidious comparisons, but with a desire to call your attention to their changed status, I wish to say that under their present management the state university at Seattle and the agricultural college and school of science at Pullman, the culmination of our system of intellectual and industrial education, have taken giant strides forward and merit your special consideration.

REVENUE LAW REVISION.

Our revenue laws were modified in the direction of reform by the last legislature. Much remains to be done. Assessments should be based on actual worth in money, not on speculative or imaginary values. The cost of assessment, over one hundred thousand dollars, is altogether too high. A collateral inheritance tax should be adopted. The reduction of delinquency penalties has been a mistake. Where penalties are too low taxes will surely become delinquent and revenues will fail to meet estimated and necessary income.

RAILROAD LEGISLATION.

I have nothing to add to my former recommendation that minimum charges for transportation should be secured to shippers in a spirit of exact justice to railroads and their patrons. My views, which were set forth with urgency, did not meet with approval and the legislature failed.
to grant the relief so long desired in this state. I have only to say that a fair and honest regulation of railroad rates can work no real hardship to corporation interests. What the government at Washington has done, the government in Washington should do. The same principles of law and justice which apply to and govern the Interstate Commerce Commission should apply to and govern in this state.

STATE LANDS.

For a detailed statement of the condition of the state lands I refer you to the report of the commissioner of public lands and the board of state land commissioners, whose statements and suggestions I concur with and endorse. You will see from those reports that the important task of selection of granted lands is completed so far as the board is concerned, and will be complete when the reservations of unsurveyed townships already made by me in accordance with law are surveyed, and the reserved areas selected. The laying of the harbor lines, the platting and survey of the tide lands of the first class in front of cities have been completed, and the hearings of contests over preference rights to purchase have been disposed of so far as the state is concerned. This important and delicate work has been completed without legal objection by any parties. The facts that the commissioner of public lands was so largely occupied by the necessary duties of his office, and the careful exercise of executive and judicial discretion in the selection of lands and the hearing of tide land contests, formed the principal reason for the continuance of the board of state land commissioners. Their special work is now practically complete, therefore I concur in their, and the commissioner's suggestion, that there no longer remains any need for the board's continuance in its present form.

HARBOR AREA LEASES.

An uncertainty in the law, and a praiseworthy desire to obtain the most thorough knowledge of the practice of seaport cities throughout the world, has led the board of state land commissioners to defer the preparation of lease regulations until the legislature should meet. The policy of the constitution-makers in creating harbor line areas was that by the state's aid excessive tolls on commerce should be avoided. You should provide a nominal rate for leases, and at the same time restrict lessees' charges to an equally low rate.

STATE CAPITOL.

For a full account of the transactions of the state capitol commission, I refer you to the detailed report of that body, which will be laid before you. The substance of that report, and the facts are, that the state has the very best possible foundation for the capitol building, constructed under the most rigid and conscientious supervision, as you can all readily see, and at a large cash loss to the contractors, which is unusual in such cases. Further than this, it will be seen: That the work of the commission has been economical; that every effort has been bent toward securing complete construction; and that the effort was unsuccessful owing to
the fact that it was found impossible to sell the capitol fund warrants by reason of the unsatisfactory condition of the law and that of the money market. The security itself—the capitol land grant—was and is considered adequate, and the lands already selected are ample in value in a normal market to cover the cost of construction. The capitol should be built. Under the decision of our supreme court, the liability for construction can not fall upon the state itself. The obligations incurred can only be a lien against the land grant. The grant was made by the federal government for the erection of a state capitol, and for no other purpose. It can not be alienated. Those persons who have thought that the capitol was to be built, or could be built, at the state's expense, have been mistaken in their views. The state is virtually a trustee for the federal government in the building of the capitol, and the state should act as soon as conditions will permit. If the federal government had granted money for the building of the capitol, there could have been no possible question as to the liability of the state. Because the federal government granted lands for this purpose instead of money there is not created thereby any state liability.

RELIEF FOR DEBTORS.

The tendency of state legislation in this country has been for the relief of debtors, the principal seeming to be that a conservation of existing forces is of sounder wisdom and greater benefit to the social organization than disintegration and reorganization. But the courts have invariably held to the inviolability of free contract and have tolerated no interference with its operation. As a measure of conservation, I have heretofore recommended that when property is sold under foreclosure or execution proceedings and is redeemed by the debtor or his agent he be allowed to recover the net income or profits of the property during the redemption period from the purchaser or creditor. Such a measure I think is naked justice. A measure of this class of legislation was passed by the last legislature known as the "Deficiency Judgment Bill." I was obliged to veto it because it was clearly intended to be retroactive, and was therefore unconstitutional. Since my veto, the position I took has been sustained by the supreme court of the United States in the case of *Barnitz v. Beverly* (16 Sup. Ct. Rep. 1043), which went up from Kansas. I am of the opinion that the least harmful measure of the kind that can be enacted is one that shall clearly exclude existing contracts, and which shall allow the mortgagor to renew his present mortgage on its former conditions if he chooses. Otherwise such legislation would be destructive and not conservative. Legislation which will provide for future action in such cases may be wise or unwise, but it can work no prejudice in law to either creditor or debtor. Intended remedial legislation should be the work of the good physician, not of the surgeon. It will not cure a temporary paralysis of a man's right arm to cut off the arm.

NATIONAL GUARD.

An act of the last legislature has worked needed reform in our national guard. Under its operation we have had great reduction of and econ-
omy in expense. Seven companies of infantry and two troops of cavalry were disbanded, the remainder of the force has been put on a strictly military basis, the play soldier being eliminated. As it now stands the guard is highly creditable to the state in its soldierly character. For a detailed statement you are referred to the admirable report of the efficient adjutant general.

REDUCTION OF STATE EXPENSES.

An act compelling citizens to act as election officers without pay should be passed. This would save the taxpayers nearly $40,000 on a single state election. No good citizen should expect pay for such services. The last legislature made a partial reclassification of superior court districts in accordance with my recommendation. The result has been satisfactory, but a further reduction would do no harm, provided that court commissioners for probate cases be appointed. Municipal courts can also be abolished with advantage. In criminal cases fees and mileage should be abolished and only actual expenses be allowed witnesses and jurors. The professional juror would soon disappear if this were done. In our civilized society men should act out their part of the social compact in good faith and without expectation of reward for duty done.

CONCLUSION.

Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives, you will understand that I can have no personal motive when I express the hope that here you may lay aside faction and partisanship. You receive a party nomination, and it is right that you should apply your party principles to government; always remembering that the people, not your party, elect you, and that you represent not a party but all the people. In your deliberations no sectional or class interests should be allowed to mar your devotion to the welfare of the whole public, yet these interests you will find it hardest to resist. I have been a resident among you for over twenty years. I hope to end my days here. I am proud of the people, proud of the state. I shall take as much pride as any among you if when you have concluded your labors the public verdict shall be "well done!" and you shall have strengthened our common aspiration, the welfare of the people of Washington.


On motion of Senator Deckebach, the joint session adjourned to 1:50 o'clock p. m.

On motion, the House adjourned to 1:45 o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House convened at 1:45 o'clock p. m., and was called to order by Speaker Cline.
Roll call showed all members present, except Messrs. Mentzer and Witt.

Mrs. Susie Barr was sworn in by Mr. Speaker as special committee clerk.

The joint session reconvened at 2 o'clock P. M.

Roll was called; all members being present except Messrs. Mentzer and Witt.

A quorum being present, the joint session proceeded to business.

The oath of office was administered to Governor-elect John R. Rogers by Chief Justice Scott, of the supreme court, and his excellency read his inaugural message to the legislature of the State of Washington, as follows:

STATE OF WASHINGTON, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
OLYMPIA, JANUARY 13, 1897.

Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Washington:

An eminent doctor of the law has told us with great force and clearness that all valid law is based on that instinctive apprehension of justice which finds universal lodgment in the heart of man. On this true foundation are based all right rules of human conduct. Relying upon this and upon my own clearly felt consciousness of right intent, I assume the weighty and most responsible duties imposed as the result of the recent election. I pledge you only this: A strict adherence to law and a firm determination to execute it without fear or favor.

STATE OF WASHINGTON.

We live in a favored region. Here stretch out before our eyes, in elsewhere unequalled profusion, the bounties of nature. Nowhere among the sisterhood of states comprising the American Union are the natural resources and opportunities here afforded excelled or scarcely equaled. With an area largely in excess of that occupied by the six New England states, the State of Washington presents a wide diversity of opportunity unrivaled in the splendid character of the invitation offered to both capital and labor. It has the best and most productive grain fields in the world, and the largest body of valuable timber yet remaining in the limits of the United States. Its mountains of coal and iron are in close proximity to the deep waters of Puget Sound—the grandest harbor of the Union, with a shore line of 1,800 miles in extent, the future seat of empire on the Pacific coast, through whose ports have already come during the year just passed goods second in value only to those imported by the imperial city of New York. Add to all this a mild climate, where rivers are never frozen and ports never blockaded, a brave and self-reliant people, industrious and energetic, and it would appear that everything necessary to man's prosperity has been provided with a generous hand. And this is indeed the truth. Nature has here lavished her boun-
ties, and nothing is lacking to complete a perfect picture of God’s favor to man.

PRESENT DIFFICULTIES.

And yet, that all is not well with us we are agreed. No honest man can say that labor receives the full measure of just return for its performance. Times are hard, we say, and property has depreciated below the value it should justly hold. Men vainly seek employment, which, if found, is not adequately remunerative. Anxious wives and mothers look with fear to the daily diminishing family stores. Mortgages cover much of the real estate, and the hearts of strong, brave men sink within them as they view with moistened eyes the needs of helpless children for whom they are called to provide. No one doubts, no one denies, the existence of want and involuntary poverty among us, poverty, too, not the result of wastefulness or lack of industry, but forced by the constantly appreciating value of money consequent upon the demonetization of silver and the establishment of the gold standard. Nevertheless we are told that money thus cunningly enhanced and enlarged in purchasing power by legislative act is the only honest money! Having by law thus, to all intents and purposes, increased the size of the dollar, our monetary masters demand from the people the number of dollars denominated in the bond. Having in like manner doubled the ounces in the pound with which all the products of human exertion are measured, they call him dishonest who speaks of a return to ounces and pounds having a relation of sixteen to one. Like the drunken fish wife who reviled the eel that would not lie still while she skinned it, these hypocritical purveyors of so-called honest money cover with billingsgate those who point out the transparent trickery of their proceedings. But, blinded by personal and pecuniary interests, men who think themselves honest and who mean to be honest do not see the enormous injustice of the demand thus made upon industry for a steadily increasing share of the products of toil. These are the conditions we are required to face. Because of them debts are increasing, interest is accumulating, taxes are unpaid, our homes are taken from us, our business is destroyed, and labor is deprived of its just remuneration.

APPEAL TO PATRIOTISM.

You are here to make and mend the laws. The people look to you for relief. They have elected you with the hope and the belief that you will be able to remove some of the difficulties under which they are laboring. This is well understood by all, and your presence here is an implied acceptance of a most important trust thus committed to your charge.

Section 6 of article 3 of our state constitution provides that the governor "shall communicate at every session by message to the legislature the condition of the affairs of the state and recommend such measures as he shall deem expedient for their action."

In pursuance of the duty thus imposed, I am led, first, earnestly to warn you against the dangers of factional controversy, for when once this has been aroused earnest endeavor and high patriotic resolve perish
in the fierce heat engendered by the struggle for place. That you are thus to be tested is plain to all. In addition to the patent fact that differences of opinion exist among you is the further and, at this critical juncture, deplorable fact that an election is shortly to be held here which shall place in the Senate of the United States a citizen of this state for the ensuing six years. For this coveted position each faction has its candidate or candidates, for whose success some of the factionists may be ready to imperil the future existence of the political compact by means of which their election was secured, and which, if rightly guided and honestly managed, will finally and securely lodge in the hands of the great plain people of this state those rights, powers and privileges with which as American citizens they are inalienably endowed. If, by mischance, disruption and disintegration of hitherto allied forces shall at this time ensue and the ardent hope which has arisen in the hearts of earnest men that there had been formed an organization devoted solely to the advancement of pure politics and just rules of political action, only to be destroyed by the strife of politicians eager for preferment—if this shall be the result, I do not hesitate here and now to place the blame for the vile surrender of a great trust upon the heads of office seekers and their friends. If the hope of the people is thus to perish, greed for office will end it and the quarrels of factionists, each more eager for spoil than for the success of a great cause, will prove the men before me unfit for the grave and weighty responsibilities of free government. Men of Washington, I adjure you by the love you bear the sacred cause of human liberty let not these dismal forebodings become the true history of a wretched past. Repel them; repel any insinuation upon your honor as men and your fidelity to the cause of humanity. That temptation will arise, must indeed come, from the rivalries of candidates, is clear to all. We are here not as the agents of this or that man or this or that political faction, but rather as the representatives of a people united in their demand for relief and earnestly desirous of obtaining it in the only way it can be obtained—by consistent, unselfish and harmonious political action. He who prevents this is a stumbling block in the pathway of reform.

At the battle of the pyramids in Egypt, Napoleon inspired his soldiers to deeds of heroic valor by shouting to them: "Soldiers! from yonder pyramids forty centuries look down upon you." So, to-day, seventy millions of people are looking anxiously to Washington with hope and fear,—with hope that we may prove equal to the emergency, and that, inspired by the high resolve which ever attends the patriot, we may spurn the promptings of faction and prove to the world that the men of our day are capable of as full and free consecration to a great cause as ever were men in any age of the world.

These are the conditions: The great plain people, the average business man, the farmer, the mechanic and the professional man, are to unite against the organized aggressions of the privileged few, or they are to become the helpless servants of a poorly concealed plutocracy. Men of varied interests and of no interest are to stand together, or, divided, they
are to fall a prey to the oncoming forces of despotism. If they are to stand together they must agree, and they can only agree by means of mutual concessions and conciliation. The future is in your hands; you can make it what you will. But if you fail to agree, if by lack of agreement you render the success of the people's cause impossible. Do not forget that the men of this state will call you to account as unworthy and incapable servants and deprive you of future stewardship.

A vast opportunity is before us. We are to prove ourselves worthy the trust imposed upon us; we are to show our ability to construct new policies as well as destroy the old.

THE RULING POWER.

It should, and must be, remembered that law, to be respected and obeyed, must follow and not precede public opinion, in fact, just law is first the product of that instinctive apprehension of justice which finds universal lodgment in the heart of man. It must primarily exist in the heart; afterward, its being placed upon the statute is the mere formal ratification of what had previously existed. Lacking this essential requisite, enactments of the legislative authority will prove but temporary expedients. Public opinion in all civilized countries is the power behind the throne, greater than the throne itself. And public opinion is the product of that general consensus of prevailing thought which must come, and does come, not from the minds even of the educated and the well informed, but rather from the general average judgment of society embracing all classes and conditions of men; because of the fact that in this general average judgment all grades of intelligence and all kinds of people are included, the resulting product is a truer statement of matters affecting all the people than could be the case where only a few or a certain class of minds consulted. This is the true foundation of democratic government among men, and with this understanding, "The voice of the people is the voice of God." But no class, no part of society however intelligent or influential, is qualified or able to speak with this authority. It must needs be a declaration of substantial unanimity coming from that very large majority which includes, practically, all the people. This is public opinion, the ruling power in modern life, against which nothing can continue long to stand. Supported by this, reform can go on. Deserted by this, it will wither and die. Whatever is by you proposed and here enacted, that is supported by this general average judgment of society, is called for and will endure. Whatever is not thus supported is uncalled for and will not be endured. Let us not deceive ourselves, the limit is set beyond which we cannot with safety go. If a reform or a measure is not thus supported by a nearly unanimous opinion, or at least by a very large majority, its time has not come and must be deferred until by agitation and education that unanimity of thought is produced which will then be able to carry it successfully forward. Revolutions have always had more to fear from reaction than from any and all things else. And this comes from the fact that adventurous spirits have in their zeal outstripped public opinion, going beyond the ground
considered safe by the general average judgment of the society specially concerned. Advancing but a step beyond this, confidence is lost, fear is engendered, and retreat in ruinous disorder is the inevitable result.

In this state a most successful political revolution has just been effected. Let not the zealot vainly imagine that because of this revolution authority has been given for the enactment into law of all approved by him. This is only the thought of the enthusiast and the dreamer. It is true that the trumpet has sounded an advance, but that advance must be one which all are able to make, for all are concerned in the movement. The advance must not be greater than that approved by that public opinion which comes from the general average judgment of all the people of Washington. We go beyond this at the risk of losing all the advantages gained; of losing the confidence of those who, while with us in this fight, only half endorsed the plans of those among us most advanced, and the moral certainty of arousing fear in the minds of the timid and faint-hearted in our own ranks. Better a thousand times to stop short of an exercise of our whole power than to exceed it by so much as the fractional part of a grain.

THE REVENUE LAWS.

Taxation has ever been an essential, yet annoying, feature of government. In a measure, the collection of revenue involves an exercise of force repugnant to the independent spirit of American character. But the people quickly recognize and appreciate the benefits accruing from a cautious and just expenditure of these revenues—an expenditure for the education of our youth, for the care of the orphan and the infirm, for the improvement of the public highways, for the protection of health and the preservation of social order, and for the proper regulation and control of corporate bodies whose avarice leads them to disregard the interests of the individual and the state. Unequal taxation, however, is a source of constant turmoil, no matter how wisely or fairly such taxes may be expended. The revenue laws now in the statutes are grossly unequal in their operation. They throw the burden of government almost entirely upon property holders of small means, while wealthy corporations escape with nominal contributions to the public treasury. The laxity of the revenue laws in other respects offers a premium for the non-payment of taxes by persons and institutions who profit more largely by speculating on the misfortunes of others, in these times of depression, than they would gain by prompt settlement. The treasurers' books in the larger counties show that as a rule the taxes which remain unpaid are due from corporations and men of wealth who are able to pay. Many of these delinquents are fighting the law in the courts, and others seek to evade penalty and interest through a special law remitting them.

How to prevent these abuses is a question of serious concern to all, and should receive your most thoughtful attention. Some of the older states in the Union have perceived the inequalities of the revenue system here employed. In the effort to devise a method more equitable to all alike, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and New York have recognized the principle that corporations enjoy particular advantages granted by the state, and
in justice should make suitable return. Pennsylvania has advanced so far in this line that about two-thirds of its annual revenue is raised by taxing corporation stock, limited partnerships, foreign insurance companies, incomes, collateral inheritances and liquor licenses. In his report for the fiscal year ending November 30, 1894, the auditor of Pennsylvania gives this summary of the state's receipts:

1. State lands sold........................................................................................................ $2,105 99
2. Tax on corporation stock and partnerships............................................................ 3,633,623 30
3. Tax on gross receipts of corporations and notaries public........................................ 780,308 61
4. Tax on bank stock and examination of banks.......................................................... 335,142 23
5. Tax on net earnings and income of banks............................................................... 78,086 43
6. Foreign insurance companies...................................................................................... 495,758 50
7. Tax on gross premiums............................................................................................. 55,515 86
8. Tax on municipal and corporation loans................................................................... 1,381,551 66
9. Tax on personal property.......................................................................................... 2,386,750 99
10. Tax on wills................................................................................................................ 162,518 52
11. Tax on collateral inheritances.................................................................................... 869,178 91
12. Tax on licenses such as mercantile, liquor, etc.......................................................... 1,366,137 26
13. Other incomes, variously distributed, all aggregating................................................ 12,873,736 82

New York, by recent enactment, has made it possible to defray its enormous expenses without resorting to direct taxation, except for a small portion of its revenues. As a first step, New York enacted a revenue law modeled after that of Pennsylvania. The two differ in detail, but are alike in principle. New Jersey has a modified form of the same system. Illinois and Ohio are fast approaching it.

In view of the examples set by these older and more experienced states, the commonwealth of Washington could not be accused of rash or prejudicial action by setting out to abandon the pernicious scheme of taxation that casts the heaviest burden upon those least able to bear it. It is not class legislation to require remuneration for special privilege. The people of Washington are progressive and liberal. They realize that capital and labor must cooperate in the development of our latent resources. But they object, as true Americans ought, to any system, whether of money or taxation, which gives all the fruit to capital and leaves labor empty handed. Fair and just laws never repelled honest investment, but if they did, it were better, infinitely better, that the population of this state remain a half million free, self-governing, self-respecting Americans forever, than to bring five million immigrants among us only to place them under perpetual bondage to foreign money loaners by yielding concessions which would drain the state of its natural wealth to swell the coffers of the excessively rich, and condemn the wealth producers to a life of penury and want.

I earnestly recommend that the policy of our revenue laws be changed to correspond to the lines laid down by those old and most successfully managed states—Pennsylvania, New York and New Jersey. It is possible that the immediate enactment of laws necessary to carry this policy into effect may be barred by article vii of the state constitution. If so, an amendment would remove the obstacle. Such a reform need not be delayed longer than two years, if an amendment is submitted by the present legislature.
To a large extent the great properties of the state escape taxation, while the poor home owner is taxed to the limit of endurance. This should cease. Every family should be able to live in a free home, exempt from taxation to a stipulated extent and made free from fear of foreclosure and sale for debt. When once this has been arrived at, the cause of human liberty will have taken a distinct and positive forward step. Whenever our people have been sufficiently educated by hardship and privation to be ready for a really radical measure of reform, they will by constitutional amendment take that first and most indispensable step which shall finally secure to all man's natural and God-given right to a sufficient portion of the earth's surface for self support. When this first and fundamental right of man has been secured, he will be free, and never will be free until this has been gained. Whether men are yet ready for freedom, I do not know.

PUBLIC EDUCATION.

Our state constitution provides: "It is the paramount duty of the state to make ample provision for the education of all children residing within its borders, without distinction or preference on account of race, color, caste or sex. The legislature shall provide for a general and uniform system of public schools." From this it is evident that a state tax for the support of schools for the benefit of all children in the state alike becomes a necessity. The provision is mandatory upon the legislature. Unless a state tax is levied how can there be a general and uniform system of public schools for the equal benefit of all? Two years ago the legislature, by an amendment to the laws, known at the time as "the bare-foot school boy law," established a system of state taxation for the equal benefit of all her children. By means of this, taxes not to exceed four mills on the dollar are levied and collected as other state taxes are collected, sufficient to produce a sum equal to $6 annually for each child of school age. This is simply a state tax for the support of schools. The larger cities and wealthier communities have opposed the law and it is said will make efforts to repeal it. It is claimed that not enough is raised by the law to support the schools, and, doubtless, this is true. But the law does not prevent counties or school districts from raising more. As at first introduced, the bill provided for the raising by taxation of a sum equal to ten dollars for each child of school age, and if taxes were all collected this would afford a sum sufficient for the support of common schools. If, in addition to this, state taxes were levied as in Pennsylvania, our schools might be entirely supported by taxation of property which now largely escapes. Complaint has been made that in some of the counties certain small districts are unfairly treated. An amendment to the law providing for a special apportionment by the county superintendent of each county would very likely remedy this defect.

STATE BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

In pursuance of an intention to abolish certain boards of control and in this way to unify and systematize the work of our higher institutions of
learning, it has been proposed that the state university, the agricultural college and the three normal schools be placed under the control of one central board instead of a separate board for each institution. The secretary of the state board of education might serve as a member of this board and perform the duties of traveling auditor, keeping the central board fully informed regarding the condition and standing of each institution. It is believed that an arrangement of this kind might be made which would save money to the state and secure greater efficiency. The incoming state superintendent of instruction has take some steps toward formulating a plan of action in this line, to whom further inquiry may be directed.

FREE TEXT BOOKS.

As a matter of principle the state should supply to each scholar in the common schools text books as freely as it now provides school houses and school furniture. At present the state has a contract with a private corporation, which has secured the privilege of furnishing school books at a high cost to the people of the state. By a clause in the contract it is provided that whenever the state shall engage in the manufacture of books the contract is to become inoperative. I am of the opinion that the state can, at comparatively small outlay, establish an experimental plant and manufacture for her citizens good school books at from 25 to 33½ per cent. of the present cost. A first-class printing press and bindery can be bought and set up for about $5,000. Electrotype plates of a standard series of school books, with privilege to print from them, can, it is thought, be obtained for a reasonable sum. This plant might be established at the Walla Walla penitentiary. Only two expert workmen need be employed—a pressman and a bookbinder—and even their services might soon be dispensed with. Under instruction from these experts, the inmates of the prison, who, I am told, spend much idle time, will soon be able to make all the books needed for all the children of the state. The books thus manufactured might be sold at cost to the different counties or school districts, or supplied free, as may be provided by statute. In a very short time, in this way, under the supervision of one man as superintendent, the state might be released from an arbitrary tax, amounting in the aggregate to a very large sum, and also make criminals instrumental in elevating and educating the youth of the state. Thus light might be brought out of darkness and good out of evil.

COERCION OF THE VOTER.

It need not be said that the purity of the ballot box is one of the essential requisites in any scheme of free government. Free men must have free votes, and if votes are not beyond the control of selfish outside influences, the voter becomes in time only a machine for recording the edicts of a power greater than that of his own will. Under these circumstances freedom is a sham and self-government an idle word. It is earnestly recommended that a statute be prepared and passed which will prevent the growing evil of coercion and intimidation of the voter.
FREE PASSES.

Section 39 of article 2 of the state constitution stipulates that: "It shall not be lawful for any person holding public office in this state to accept or use a pass, or to purchase transportation from any railroad or other corporation other than as the same may be purchased by the general public, and the legislature shall pass laws to enforce this provision."

Section 20 of article 12 of the constitution provides as follows: "No railroad or other transportation company shall grant free passes or sell tickets or passes at a discount, other than as sold to the public generally, to any member of the legislature, or to any person holding any public office in this state. The legislature shall pass laws to carry this provision into effect."

The legislature has never passed the necessary laws to enforce the provisions of the constitution, and hence they have been practically inoperative. No time should be lost in providing by law that corporations issuing free passes and officials accepting them shall be properly punished.

RAILWAY RATES AND FARES.

The proper regulation and control of common carriers, including railroad and steamship lines, telegraph and telephone companies, is a problem difficult of solution. Government ownership is the only final remedy; but that is yet in the future. Freight rates and passenger fares in this state are exorbitant. They should be reduced. But whether public interest would best be subserved by placing the matter altogether in charge of a commission, or attending to it by direct legislative enactment, those most to be benefited by a reduction are not agreed. It seems to me that the best results could be obtained from a law establishing a maximum scale of rates and fares, and providing for the enforcement of the law through the agency of a commission, giving the commission power further to lower the scale, as time and circumstances may justify. Inasmuch as the governor of the state is responsible for the execution of the laws, I believe that such commission should be appointed by him, any member of it to be removable at the will of the governor. Thus faithfulness to the people would be insured, or the governor justly held to account. The expenses of a transportation commission ought not to be burdensome, and would amount to an infinitesimal part of the direct benefit accruing to the patrons of common carriers within this state as a result of reduced rates and a better regulated service.

ABOLITION OF COMMISSIONS.

The office of arid land commissioner, I am inclined to think, should be abolished, and the duties devolving upon this official be performed by the elected land commissioner. It seems probable that the bill now before congress ceding to the several states outright and without qualification all arid lands within their borders will pass. This will remove any necessity of selecting such lands by the state.

It is the opinion of those best able to judge of these matters that the
land commission provided for by a recent statute should likewise be abolished.

I am unable to discover that the dairy commissioner has been able to produce a pound of butter more than would have been the case if his office had not been created. Nor do I believe that he has increased the price or quality of the butter offered in our markets. The sale of oleo as butter is prohibited by penalty, and half the fine is by statute given to the informer. It is probable that this is sufficient to protect our producers, but if the continuation of the office is demanded, might it not be well also to provide for a hen commissioner who shall see that our grocers properly count the eggs as brought in for sale? Said hen commissioner might also, by way of diversion, undertake, at least occasionally, the instruction of our farmers in the highly important art of scientifically setting a hen. Seriously, it seems to me that the regulation of the sale of milk, butter and eggs is a matter entirely for municipal control.

Other and minor commissions might with propriety be abolished or consolidated.

BOARD OF PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS.

I am of opinion that the boards now controlling the penal, reformatory and eleemosynary institutions of the state, consisting of the state penitentiary, the reform school, the soldiers' home, the two insane asylums and the school for defective youth, might with propriety be abolished, and control of these institutions be vested in one board, to consist of the governor, the lieutenant governor, the secretary of state, the state auditor, and an official whose office is to be created, to be called the commissioner of public institutions, who shall do the work and perform the services usually devolving upon a traveling auditor. The saving in salaries per diem now paid six boards would be large. Goods could be bought at wholesale, and local and retail prices be escaped. More responsibility and greater system could be secured, and in the aggregate, a larger saving effected.

AFFAIRS OF THE PENITENTIARY.

Rumors of an exceedingly bad condition of affairs at the state penitentiary having been afloat for some time, a watch has been kept and some amateur detective work done by citizens of Walla Walla, aided by suggestions received from discharged convicts. Without disclosing the serious and even alarming nature of the revelations made, I request that at the earliest opportunity a legislative committee with full power to act be sent to Walla Walla; that an investigation be had before changes are made in the present management. If statements made by reliable persons are true, all the criminals are not on the inside.

MINE INSPECTION.

The great loss of life by coal mine explosions in this state within the last few years shows clearly the lack of proper mine inspection and ventilation. In the three mine explosions at Roslyn, Franklin and Blue Canyon, more than a hundred men lost their lives, many widows and some two hundred orphans were made. The mining law should be changed.
It is grossly untrue to the interests of the miners. It should not be the policy of the state to hamper or impose onerous conditions upon the coal mining companies, but with the hope of being able by proper regulation to protect the lives of our hardy miners, something ought to be done. The legislature has appropriated at each session $7,000 for coal mine inspection. I believe this sum to be practically wasted as the law now stands.

EXAMINATION OF STATE BANKS AND BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS.

Frequent and most grievous losses have fallen upon the people of this state by reason of the failure of institutions in which deposits of money have been made. For the future this may, to a great extent, be prevented by the appointment of a state bank examiner. In other states, notably in Kansas, this plan has proved most effective, and losses from this source have been reduced to a minimum. Such an official might be paid by a fee charged for each examination, or each institution might be required to pay a certain sum per annum. No expense to the people at large would be involved, and much good done.

THE FISHING INDUSTRY.

From the best sources of information at my command I am clearly of opinion that the law should, within a reasonable limit of time, prohibit utterly all fish traps, wheels and other stationery gear as a means of catching fish in the waters under the control of the State of Washington. As a means of revenue to the state, it is probable that an annual tax imposed upon each boat engaged in fishing should be collected. This would more than offset the amount now collected from traps.

The following extract from the message of Governor Sylvester Pennoyer to the legislature of Oregon, for the year 1893, is here included and endorsed:

"Salmon fishing has for years been one of the most prominent industries of Oregon, and the legislature should provide by law against its complete destruction by the greed of those at present engaged in it. When the industry was first established, gill nets were alone employed, with meshes sufficiently large so that the smaller salmon were allowed to pass undisturbed. Within the last few years, however, traps and fish wheels have been brought into quite general use, and salmon of all sizes, and by the ton, have been caught by them. This has seriously interfered with gill-net fishing, which formerly gave employment to a large number of brave men, who plied this calling with their gill nets, manned at the peril of their lives, only to find themselves competing in market with the owners of fish traps and wheels, who in a favored locality, and without danger, caught hundreds of fish to the poor fisherman's one. Against the monopoly of fish traps and fish wheels, and the wholesale destruction of fish, and, as a consequence, the ultimate extinction of this great industry, the attention of the last three legislatures has been directed in vain.

"The protest is again most urgently renewed. To allow any owner of a favored locality the privilege that cannot be exercised by other citizens, of erecting fish traps or fish wheels, thereby securing salmon by the ton, while other citizens cannot, is a monopoly that should no longer be tolerated. We boast of our free government and of our equal laws, and yet we are permitting a monopoly that no monarchical government on the face of the earth allows. In the Magna Charta granted by King John, A. D. 1215, it is stipulated that 'all kydells (weirs) for the future shall be quite removed out of the Thames and the Medway, and throughout England.' This guarantee was renewed in the first, second and third charters of King Henry the Third and in that of King Edward the First, and was really a fragment of the old common law which prevented any person from appropriating
to themselves a fishway on the rivers, which were deemed common property. Every public river Lord Coke declared to be the king's highway, which could not be privately occupied. Kydells were dams having a narrow cut in them and furnished with wheels or traps for catching fish. It will thus be seen that this monopoly, which in England was destroyed nearly seven hundred years ago, is flourishing defiantly in the latter part of the nineteenth century in this country, which boasts of its equal laws. Let all fish traps, fish wheels and seines be abolished, confine the fishing to gill nets alone, and then all citizens have an equal chance, and the wholesale destruction of fish and the speedy extinction of one of our chiefest industries can be avoided.

MISCELLANEOUS RECOMMENDATIONS.

It is hoped that any member becoming possessed of information which would implicate any person in the offense of corrupt solicitation of officials will immediately cause prosecution to be brought against such persons, to the end that bribery may become a thing unknown in Washington. It will afford me pleasure to aid, so far as I may be able, in placing behind prison bars any person within the limits of the state who shall be convicted of this crime. It is probable that if some person highly connected, and of considerable previous social standing, could be thus treated as an example, much good would thereby result.

The statute passed at the last session of the legislature, providing for and allowing actions to be brought against the state in the superior court of Thurston county, should at once be repealed. By means of this law, it will be possible for designing men to loot the state treasury or cumber the records with judgments against the state. The legislature may be relied on to prevent injustice to individuals as the result of peculiar or particular circumstances or conditions.

It is universally recognized as true that whenever large and great accumulations of property are harassed and rendered unproductive and unprofitable by the combined action of men of small means and of no social standing, so called, a state of anarchy and misrule obtains, against which all the powers of the state should be exerted for instant and expeditious repression. Against this view no good citizen will raise his voice. Order is not only the first law of Heaven, but it should be, it must be, and it will be, the first law of the state. But there is another view of this matter, which, while equally true, is not equally obvious to the mass of society as now constituted. We become accustomed to injustice by daily association, and what at first would arouse the deepest indignation becomes in time an apparent necessity and finally seems to the average citizen a natural and unchangeable condition. It should be apparent, however, to the thoughtful and considerate man, that the converse of the proposition stated must also be true. If the property, the business and the occupations of the great mass of common and ordinary citizens of this country, possessed of little or no wealth and social standing, are not only rendered unprofitable and unremunerative, but are actually taken from them by the operation of causes set in motion by the few members of society possessed of wealth and high social position, who appear to be intent only upon pecuniary profit, regardless of loss and suffering imposed upon the many; then, in this event, it ought to be seen that anarchy is as truly fostered and produced as in the first and most obvious instance.
Although it is clearly evident to all thinking men that the people of this country are within the next few years to pass through a most critical period of national existence, I have a firm and abiding confidence in the wisdom, the justice and the ability of the great American people. They will safely surmount all opposition, for against the threatening difficulties which may seem to the timid to bar their advance, they will oppose the steady purpose of an honest intention and an earnest aspiration. The spirit of the fathers animates them; for them there is no such word as fail; they have hitched their wagon to a star, the star of hope; and the hope of humanity in them shall never perish.

On motion of Mr. Warner, the joint convention dissolved at 3:20 o’clock p. m.

The House of Representatives was called to order by Speaker Cline.

By general consent, Mr. de Mattos introduced the following resolution:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the chief clerk of the House cause to be printed 5,000 copies of the inaugural address of his excellency, Governor John R. Rogers, for distribution by the members of this legislature among the people of the state.

On motion the resolution was adopted.

Mr. F. R. Baker moved that the vote by which House memorial No. 1 was referred, be reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. Phelps, the previous question was ordered.

On vote the motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Day, the House adjourned at 3:30 o’clock p. m.

S. P. Carusi, Chief Clerk.
Church, the roll was called; all members being present and answer­ing to their names, except Messrs. Johnston, Kittinger, McAtee, and Struve.

The journal of the preceding day was read, and approved as cor­rected.

By general consent, Mr. Geraghty was excused for the session.

House concurrent resolution No. 3 was introduced by Mr. War­ner, pertaining to irregularities in the state penitentiary and pro­viding for the appointment of an investigating committee, etc.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Warner moved to suspend the rules and pass the resolution to second reading.

The motion was lost.

The following resolution was introduced, and its adoption moved, by Mr. Roberts:

Resolved, That the sergeant-at-arms be instructed to purchase the fol­lowing articles, sufficient in amount, for the use of this body during the present session: Towels, soap, mucilage, ink (both red and black), ink bottles, duster, pencils, pens, carpet sweeper, toilet paper, erasers, pins, blotters, and arm rests, for clerks: And further, That the sergeant-at­arms be held responsible for the safe keeping of the above articles until used.

On vote, the motion was lost: Ayes 22, noes 37.

Mr. S. W. Baker introduced House concurrent resolution No. 4, relating to appointment of a committee to confer with members of the legislature of Oregon in reference to the fishing industry.

On motion of Mr. Williams, the resolution was referred to Com­mittee on Fisheries and Game.

On motion of Mr. Marshall, the vote by which the resolution intro­duced by Mr. Roberts was defeated, was reconsidered.

Mr. Marshall moved to amend by striking out the words “towels and soap.”

The amendment was lost.

On final vote the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Way introduced the following resolution, and moved its adoption.

Resolved, That the sergeant-at-arms be instructed to make certain re­pairs, as follows: Raise the chief clerk's desk one foot; also procure two Welsbach gas burners, placing one over the chief clerk's desk, and the other over the speaker's desk.

On motion the resolution was adopted.
REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO GROUP THE
STANDING COMMITTEES.

The following report of the committee to group the standing
committees and to fix the salaries of committee clerks, was read
and its adoption moved:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, January 13, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your committee appointed to group standing committees for the
assignment of clerks and fix compensation for the same, would respect­
fully recommend that the salary of clerk of Judiciary Committee be fixed
at $4 per day, and that the salaries of all other clerks be fixed at $3 per
day. We would further recommend that clerks be allowed the different
committees grouped as follows, and that they be selected by the chairman
of the respective committees, subject to approval by the House:

1. Judiciary Committee—one clerk.
2. State University, Agricultural College and School of Science, State
Normal School, State Buildings, Public Grounds and Libraries, Public
Morals, Federal Relations and Immigration—one clerk.
3. State Penitentiary, Hospital for Insane, School for Defective Youth
and Reform School, Memorials, Internal Improvements and Indian Af­
fairs, Forestry and Horticulture—one clerk.
4. Claims and Auditing, Mileage and Contingent Expenses, Printing
and Supplies, Counties and County Boundaries, Education, Roads and
Bridges—one clerk.
5. Fisheries and Game, Labor and Labor Statistics, Harbors and Water­
ways; Water, Water Rights and Irrigation—one clerk.
6. Railroads, Municipal Corporations, Constitutional Revision, Agri­
culture—one clerk.
7. Appropriations, Compensation and Fees for State and County Offi­
cers, Insurance, Rules and Order, Military Affairs and Soldiers' Home—
one clerk.
8. Corporations other than Municipal and Railroads, Commerce and
Manufactures, Tide Lands, Medicine, Dykes and Drainage, Mines and
Mining—one clerk.
9. Revenue and Taxation, Privileges and Elections; State, School and
Granted Lands—one clerk.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in the foregoing report:

J. L.LIKINS, Chairman.
L. J. MCATEE,
HENRY CARR,
G. H. HODGDON,
J. Z. NELSON,
J. H. MARSH.
J. L. HAGADORN.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Mr. Hodgdon introduced the following resolution, and moved its
adoption:
Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, That a committee of five members be appointed by the chair to ascertain the need of, to arrange for and recommend to the House additional employees.

On motion of Mr. Warner, the resolution was laid on the table.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were read the first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees:

House bill No. 44, by Mr. Guie: An act in relation to the commencement of civil actions before justices of the peace.
Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 45, by Mr. Guie: An act relating to the issuance, service and return of process, and the complaint and notice issued by justices of the peace, and to provide for the service and return of summons and of complaint and notice issued by justices of the peace by persons other than sheriffs and constables.
Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 46, by Mr. J. B. Smith: An act providing for the use of the American flag in the schools of the state.
Referred to Committee on Education.

House bill No. 47, by Mr. F. R. Baker: An act fixing and prescribing the liabilities of companies and corporations operating railways within the State of Washington for negligence or wrongs of employes, and declaring an emergency.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 48, by Mr. J. B. Smith: An act providing that the boards of directors of school districts shall make arrangements for the proper heating, cleaning and ventilating of school rooms.
Referred to Committee on Education.

House bill No. 49, by Mr. J. B. Smith: An act providing for the regulation of flouring mills in relation to the maximum rates of toll for custom work, and providing a penalty for the violation of this act.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 50, by Mr. C. P. Bush: An act to repeal an act creating a state board of horticulture, and an act amendatory thereof.
Referred to Committee on Forestry and Horticulture.

House bill No. 51, by Mr. Witt: A bill for an act regulating the sale of jute fabrics and brick at the state penitentiary.

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House bill No. 52, by Mr. Witt: A bill for an act to provide for the amendment of section 23 of article 2, and sections 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21 and 22 of article 3, and section 14 of article 4 of the constitution of the State of Washington, relative to the reduction of the salaries of state officers, judges of the superior court and members of the legislature.

Referred to Committee on Penitentiary.

House bill No. 53, by Mr. Wolf: An act to amend sections 1, 2, 3 and 4 of an act entitled "An act creating and providing for the enforcement of liens for labor and material," approved February 21, 1893.

Referred to Committee on Constitutional Revision.

House bill No. 54, by Mr. Couch: An act to compel railroads to construct crossings over their tracks where private land adjoins the right-of-way, and providing a penalty for neglect or refusal to construct such crossings. Referred to Committee on Railroads.

House bill No. 55, by Mr. Nelson: An act to amend section 8 of "An act providing for the organization, classification, incorporation and government of municipal corporations, and declaring an emergency," approved March 9, 1893.

Referred to Committee on Municipal Corporations.

House bill No. 56, by Mr. Nelson: An act to amend section 13, chapter 182 of the Session Laws of the State of Washington for the year 1895, pertaining to the time of electing road supervisors, and repealing all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith.

Referred to Committee on Counties and County Boundaries.

House bill No. 57, by Mr. Hansen: An act to prevent the practice of wagering or betting on elections.

Referred to Committee on Public Morals.

House bill No. 58, by Mr. Nelson: An act to amend section 1526 and section 1531 of volume 1 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, relating to the right of foreign private corporations to exercise corporate powers in the State of Washington.

Referred to Committee on Corporations other than Municipal and Railroads.

House bill No. 59, by Mr. Land: An act to prevent the unauthorized interference with electric meters, wires and cables, used for measuring and conducting electric currents.
Referred to Committee on Municipal Corporations.

House bill No. 60, by Mr. Hicks: An act to provide for the selection of official papers in the various counties of this state, directing the publication of all the county printing therein, and providing the compensation therefor, and for repealing sections 2936, 2937 and 2938 of chapter 65 of volume 1 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, relating to county printing.

Referred to Committee on Counties and County Boundaries.

House bill No. 61, by Mr. Hicks: An act to provide for the immediate publication of the laws of the State of Washington, enacted during the regular legislative session of 1897, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Printing and Supplies.

House bill No. 62, by Mr. Hicks: An act to amend section 11 of chapter 82 of the Session Laws of 1895.

Referred to Committee on Insurance.

On motion of Mr. Warner, the House adjourned at 11 o'clock A.M.

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AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House was called to order at 2 o'clock P. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

By general consent, Mr. Struve was excused from the session.

The chairman of the committee on rules and orders reported as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ORDERS.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your committee on rules and orders, make the following recommendations:

That subdivision 22, rule No. 47, reading "Medicines, Surgery, Hygiene and Dentistry" be changed to read "Medicines and Surgery," and that a committee be provided known as Hygiene and Dentistry.

That rule No. 27 be amended to read as follows: A division cannot be demanded as of right by any member. It must be made pursuant to a motion stating precisely the division asked for, which motion can be amended. The presiding officer can decide, subject to an appeal to the assembly, that the division proposed cannot be made. Otherwise it is submitted to the assembly and decided by it.

That subdivision 5 under rule No. 21 be changed to read: To postpone to a certain time; subdivision 6, to recommit; subdivision 7, to amend; subdivision 8, to postpone indefinitely.
We, your committee on rules and orders unanimously recommend that rule No. 82, at present suspended, be re-enacted. That there be 300 copies of the rules printed, 120 of which to be bound as heretofore. Respectfully submitted.  
JAS. HUGH ROSS, Chairman.  
W. B. ROBERTS.  
F. I. PHELPS.  
J. H. MARSHALL.  
A. D. WARNER.  
SOLON T. WILLIAMS.  

On motion of Mr. Ross, the report was adopted.  

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.  
The following bills were read the first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees:  
House bill No. 63, by Mr. C. P. Bush: An act defining a nuisance, and providing for the abatement thereof. Referred to Committee on Forestry and Horticulture.  
House bill No. 64, by Mr. Johnston: An act to amend an act entitled "An act providing for the finding and return of verdicts in civil cases by ten or more jurors," approved March 8, 1895. Referred to Committee on Judiciary.  
House bill No. 65, by Mr. J. O. Edwards: An act to compel any person, firm, company, corporation or association in this state to pay all wages in lawful money of the United States. Referred to Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics.  
House bill No. 66, by Mr. A. S. Bush: An act providing for the survey and location of a wagon road and public highway from a point at or near Montesano, in the county of Chehalis, State of Washington, by way of North River valley, Willapa, South Bend, the Nelamo river and Nasel river at or near Knapton or Hungry Harbor, and making an appropriation therefor. Referred to Committee on Roads and Highways.  
House bill, No. 67, by Mr. Kittinger: An act to amend sections 4 and 10 of an act entitled "An act to regulate the mode of proceeding to appropriate lands, real estate or other property, by corporations for corporate purposes, and of ascertaining and securing compensation therefor, and repealing laws in conflict with this act, and declaring an emergency," approved March 21, 1890. The same being sections 651 and 657 of volume 2 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, and declaring an emergency. Referred to Committee on Mines and Mining.  
House bill No. 68, by Mr. Kittinger: An act to extend the right
of eminent domain to mining, milling or reduction-works companies, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Mines and Mining.

House concurrent resolution No. 5, by Mr. Powell: Relating to abuses of penitentiary, and requesting the governor to transmit all information regarding the said abuses, etc.

Mr. Powell moved to suspend the rules, and that the resolution be passed to second reading.

Moved by Mr. de Mattos, that the resolution be referred.

On vote, the resolution was referred to Committee on Penitentiary.

Mr. Williams presented the following resolution, and moved its adoption:

Resolved, That in debate upon any question, no member shall address the House for a period of more than fifteen minutes without unanimous consent.

Resolution ordered to lie upon the table twenty-four hours.

By general consent, the resolution was changed to read ten minutes instead of fifteen minutes.

A resolution from the board of trade of Dallas, Texas, was introduced by Mr. Speaker and read by the clerk.

On motion, the resolution was referred to Judiciary Committee.

The further reading of the governor's message relating to pardons was taken up.

Mr. Williams in the chair.

Moved by Mr. Kittinger, that only the titles of the cases be read. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, that the report be spread upon the minutes without further reading. So ordered.

The message was as follows:

STATE OF WASHINGTON, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, OLYMPIA, January, 1897.

The Honorable the House of Representatives:

Gentlemen—In accordance with section 11, article 3, of the constitution, I hereby transmit a list of pardons, commutations and remissions of fines granted by me, and not heretofore reported.


PARDONS GRANTED.

A. E. Duncan, sentenced from Spokane county, March 19, 1893, to three years for stealing one head of neat cattle. Pardon granted February 13, 1895, upon the recommendation of the prosecuting witness, the board of county commissioners, several jurors, prosecuting
attorney and several hundred citizens of Spokane. This was Duncan's first offense; his aged mother needed his help. Duncan was a youth only nineteen years of age.

Fred Mathies, sentenced March 7, 1895, to one year imprisonment from King county, for assault with intent to commit robbery. Pardon granted March 8, 1895, upon recommendation of the trial judge, prosecuting attorney, twelve jurors, and a large number of citizens. Mathies was a very young man, and main support of his family. He came to Seattle without money in search of employment; failing in this he became reduced to utter destitution and in this condition committed the crime for which he was convicted.

W. H. H. Grant, sentenced December 12, 1894, by a justice of the peace from Clallam county to pay a fine of $50 and costs taxed at $86 for illegal voting. Remission of unsatisfied portion of fine and costs granted March 19, 1895, upon recommendation of prosecuting attorney, prosecuting witness, six jurors, and several officials and citizens of said county. It appears that Grant, through ignorance of legal requirements, voted at a road election, for which he was in all respects qualified save that he had not resided in the particular road district the required number of days. He was in an impoverished condition, with dependent family who would become county charges. Previously had borne excellent reputation and was an ex-Union soldier.

Joseph Doyle, of Mason county, made application for remission portion of judgment rendered in superior court of Mason county upon appearance bond of one Richard Walsh in which Joe Caldwell and said Doyle were sureties. Said bond was forfeited by non-appearance of defendant Walsh, who escaped through no connivance, knowledge or consent of his bondsmen. Doyle, a man of limited means, spent time and money in an effort to bring Walsh to justice but without success, and therefor paid $150 to the county, being one-half of said bond. His co-surety is believed to be dead, and no property or funds are available to pay his portion of the bond. Remission granted April 29, 1895, on recommendation of the trial judge, and board of county commissioners.

Mee Chin, a Chinaman, was on February 12, 1895, fined $100 and sentenced to thirty days in jail for keeping opium joint in Spokane county. Trial judge, prosecuting attorney and special agent of the treasury department recommended pardon and remission of unsatisfied portion of fine upon payment of costs of $45. Granted May 4, 1895.

Louis Schiminiski, having been found guilty of the crime of assault, was sentenced January 24, 1895, by the judge of the superior court of Lewis county, to imprisonment in the county jail for the term of six months and fined in the sum of three hundred dollars. Pardon granted March 19, 1895. The judge who sentenced Schiminiski, upon the petition of a very large number of citizens, on the 19th day of March, 1895, remitted the fine imposed by him. The sheriff and other county officers and citizens urged that Schiminiski be pardoned, upon the ground that his further incarceration would result in his family becoming dependent upon charity for sustenance. The crime consisted of a simple assault, committed under the influence of intoxicants.

Richard Wesley was on July 24, 1889, sentenced by the judge of the superior court of Pierce county, to eleven years in the state penitentiary for the crime of robbery. Pardon granted on April 16, 1895. During his imprisonment he was an exemplary prisoner, and his name never appeared on the punishment record. The warden certifies that he has been employed in positions of trust and has faithfully and conscientiously carried out the duties assigned to him, and observed the rules of the prison in every respect. His crime consisted in obtaining sixty dollars by means of a card trick. Several reputable citizens and officials recommended pardon, believing that the sentence imposed was excessive; and that by reason of his youth, and previous good character further imprisonment would not subserve the ends of justice.

M. Goodfriend was on the 23d day of June, 1894, sentenced by the judge of the superior court of King county for the term of seven years, for the crime of grand larceny. Pardon granted April 19, 1895, upon the recommendation of several hundred reputable citizens of Seattle, and other cities, including the trial prosecuting attorney, sheriff and other officials of King county, who allege in their petition that they believe the conviction of Goodfriend was not warranted by the evidence; that Goodfriend was not a party to the stealing for which he was convicted; that Goodfriend had hitherto borne a good reputation; that he has a poverty-stricken wife and four children dependent upon him for support.
M. Golden was convicted and sentenced at the same time and place for the same crime as M. Goodfriend, supra. Pardon granted May 5, 1895. The petition for pardon is signed by the trial judge, prosecuting attorney, sheriff, chairman of board of county commissioners and other officials of King county, and reputable citizens of that county; and states that Golden had at all times previous to his conviction borne a good reputation, and that he had never previously been charged with crime; that he was but twenty-two years of age, and since the age of thirteen had been the sole support of an aged mother; that by reason of his incarceration his mother has been deprived of her sole means of support, and became a pauper upon the charge of King county. The prosecuting attorney in recommending pardon stated that "the evidence tending to convict Golden with the commission of the alleged crime is exceedingly meager as is apparent from an examination of the record." At a time when a number of prisoners broke out of the King county jail, Golden refused to escape; and gave to the sheriff information which was valuable in capturing the fugitives. The chief of police in Seattle, who had personal knowledge of the facts, also recommends pardon.

Mrs. Tay Yuen, a Chinawoman, who was received at the penitentiary on the 16th day of November, 1894, under sentence of one year for the crime of grand larceny, committed in Clarke county, was pardoned on the 8th day of May, 1895. The physician to the penitentiary made a statement, in part as follows: "This woman is pregnant, and has reached about the eighth month. She has but a short time to serve, and if she could be discharged or pardoned, I believe it would be the proper thing to do. We are poorly situated to care for a lying-in woman."

George Sufferin, having been found guilty of the crime of burglary, was on the 18th day of May, 1891, sentenced by the judge of the superior court of Jefferson county, to imprisonment for the term of ten years. Pardon granted May 14, 1895, upon the recommendation of the physician and other officials of the penitentiary. Sufferin had chronic multiple sarcoma and passing of blood, and had been confined to the prison hospital for many months. In the opinion of the penitentiary physician Sufferin could live but a few months. He died within six months after he was pardoned.

U. A. Gile, was on March 2, 1893, sentenced by the judge of the superior court of Lewis county, to imprisonment in the penitentiary for the term of four years, having been found guilty of the crime of manslaughter. Pardon granted May 17, 1895, upon the recommendation of the prosecuting attorney and his assistants at the trial, the county officers and several hundred citizens of Lewis county. Gile was informed against jointly with James D. Minkler and Catherine McCormick, charged with the crime of manslaughter in having caused the death of one Alfred Wright, by means of an operation. Gile was tried first and separately. The prosecuting attorney in recommending a pardon made the following written statement: "At the time of the prosecution, I was convinced that the other two parties, Dr. James D. Minkler and Catherine McCormick, had entered into a conspiracy to obtain through any means, fair or foul, the property of one Alfred Wright, and that the acts for which Dr. Gile was convicted and the other parties tried were the result of the conspiracy. I never did believe and do not now that Dr. Gile was concerned in any such conspiracy; but he was a young surgeon and was called in by other parties. The parties demanded separate trials. Dr. Gile was convicted; Dr. Minkler was acquitted by the jury and Mrs. McCormick was discharged on the recommendation of the prosecuting attorney. I think the opinion that I entertain as above stated is concurred in by the people of the entire community almost unanimously."

One of the associate counsel for the prosecution, in his communication recommending a pardon, said in part: "This case is a peculiar one, unlike any that has ever fallen under my observation, and dissimilar to any case reported within the scope of our text books or decisions. Three persons, to wit: J. D. Minkler, Dr. U. A. Gile and Mrs. McCormick, were charged jointly with the murder of Alfred Wright, of Centralia. The state in the three trials that were had in the superior court, in which I was interested, based its prosecution upon criminal malpractice of the physicians, J. D. Minkler and U. A. Gile, and assisted by Mrs. McCormick. After the operation had been performed and after the death of Mr. Wright, it appeared that a will had been made by Mr. Wright, in which Mrs. McCormick was the sole beneficiary, and Dr. Minkler was to be the executor. When this fact became known, the citizens of Centralia grew suspicious that foul play had been
used, and instituted proceedings looking to a thorough investigation. The public mind was greatly inflamed, and the witnesses produced and who were examined on behalf of the state, on the trial in which Dr. Gile was convicted, were evidently deeply impressed with the wild and exaggerated rumors that had been put in circulation and were affecting the community at and just prior to the trial and that were unfavorable to the defendants. It was while this excitement was at its highest that Dr. Gile was tried and convicted. After cooling time and after the community had so changed that it could look impartially at the transaction, grave doubts arose as to the criminal intent of the parties, and as to whether or not they should be convicted, and the result is that Mrs. McCormick was discharged without trial; Dr. Minkler, who sought and obtained a continuance, was tried by a jury of the county, the same witnesses produced as in the case of Dr. Gile, yet Dr. Minkler was acquitted. Nowhere in the whole case was there a line or syllable of evidence showing Dr. Gile to have been in any wise interested from any pecuniary motive in the operation, or in the death of Mr. Wright. Dr. Gile evinced a phenomenal accuracy in the knowledge of surgery, and whether his operation was correct or incorrect the best medical evidence that we could obtain upon the trial was at a great variance, while it appeared to me that those who were not affected by local prejudice almost without exception approved and justified the operation."

Eight jurors recommend pardon. Others were inaccessible.

John Bryan, having been found guilty of the crime of robbery, was on the 7th day of February, 1890, sentenced by the judge of the superior court of King county to imprisonment for ten years. Pardon granted May 17, 1895, upon the recommendation of the trial judge, prosecuting attorney and several of the jurors. Bryan was convicted of having robbed a man named Cotton of some $40.00. The prosecuting attorney in recommending pardon said in part:

"Bryan and a man named Miller were indicted for the crime of robbery alleged to have been committed October 23, 1889, in Seattle. I prosecuted the men and secured a conviction. Judge Lichtenberg was presiding judge, and appointed some man, whose name I do not now remember, to defend. The defense was very lamely conducted. The testimony of the state consisted mainly of the prosecuting witness Cotton, an old farmer who had come in from Slaughter, a stranger in town, and who had 'fallen among thieves' and the vicious characters in Whitechapel, and had been drinking for two or three hours. Somewhere in Whitechapel, during the course of the evening he lost or was robbed of $40.00, and identified Miller and Bryan as the parties. I remember that the testimony of Cotton was unsupported by any other witness. The defendants both testified in their own behalf, and both denied the robbery, but admitted seeing Cotton in Whitechapel, and admitted having a speaking acquaintance that evening with him, and also drinking with him."

Two convicts, Thomas Walker and John Kelly, have filed an affidavit in which they state that they committed the robbery for which Bryan and Miller were convicted. Conduct of Bryan during imprisonment was good.

John Miller, co-defendant with John Bryan, and who was sentenced at the same time for the same term, was pardoned on the 12th day of October, 1895, for the foregoing reasons.

Harry Irwin, was tried in the superior court of Pierce county and convicted of the crime of robbery and sentenced to a term of imprisonment of eleven years on March 23, 1891. Pardon granted May 17, 1895, upon the recommendation of the trial judge, prosecuting attorney, and a large number of reputable citizens of Pierce county. The crime for which Irwin was convicted was the robbery of one Bailey. The testimony in the case consisted only of Bailey and a man who had previously been convicted of committing the robbery. The prosecuting witness, upon the stand, could not positively identify Irwin as the person who assisted in robbing him. Irwin had been in Tacoma but a few days prior to the robbery; had always borne a good reputation prior thereto; was of a good family and well connected in Portland, Oregon, as is shown by letters from leading citizens and officials of that state. The judge in recommending pardon urged that one year's imprisonment would be sufficient; but he was not pardoned until he had served more than four years. Conduct during imprisonment was uniformly good, as appears by the warden's certificate. Upon his release Irwin returned to his home in Oregon.
ELMER HASTINGS and JAMES L. BERRIDGE, having pled guilty of the crime of stealing cattle, were on the 29th day of December, 1892, sentenced by the judge of the superior court of Spokane county, to imprisonment in the penitentiary for the term of four years. Pardon was granted May 17, 1895, upon the recommendation of the trial judge, prosecuting attorney, prosecuting witness and several officials and many citizens of Spokane county. The prosecuting witness, county commissioner and deputy sheriff of Spokane county, in a communication recommending executive clemency, among other things say: "During the month of August, 1892, said James Berridge and Elmer Hastings, who then were boys under the age of twenty-one, living at the town of Mead in Spokane county, were induced to go to the pastures of F. E. Fender and W. Ziegler in said Spokane county, and drive to the slaughter house of one John Mairhoffer, a butcher, fourteen head of cattle. This was done in the day time without any apparent attempt at concealment, and the cattle delivered to said Mairhoffer at his slaughter house; it is believed that the cattle were butchered at once, as the sheriff and his deputies could find no further trace of them. Said Mairhoffer, who has left for parts unknown, was a man of mature years, and was under the surveillance of the sheriff for some time under suspicion of buying stolen cattle. The said boys were arrested shortly after the commission of the act, and confessed the facts substantially as related above; upon arraignment they both entered the plea of guilty. Both boys were raised at or near Mead, and formerly bore good reputations and this is believed to be their first offense. We believe the boys by reason of their youth and inexperience, were made the tools and dupes of other persons, whose mature minds and experience enabled them to escape the punishment imposed upon these boys."

GEORGE E. BAILEY, was on the 29th day of January, 1895, sentenced by the judge of the municipal court of the city of Seattle, to imprisonment in the King county jail for the term of six months for the crime of open lewdness. Pardon granted on the 21st day of May, 1895, upon the recommendation of the trial judge, the board of county commissioners of King county and a large number of respectable citizens. Bailey had a family, consisting of a wife and four small children, dependent solely upon him for support, and who during his confinement were county charges. He had previously borne a good reputation and his conduct during incarceration was good.

FANNIE WILLIAMS was convicted of the crime of petit larceny in the municipal court of the city of Seattle, and sentenced on April 22, 1895, to imprisonment in the King county jail for the term of ninety days. The value of the goods stolen, a lady's cape, was proven to be fifteen dollars. Pardon granted May 26, 1895, upon the recommendation of the trial judge and the certificate of two reputable physicians of Seattle that this woman was pregnant and that longer incarceration would jeopardize her health.

SAMUEL B. DUSINBERRE, having pled guilty of embezzlement, was on the 23rd day of September, 1893, sentenced by the judge of the superior court of Pierce county to imprisonment in the state penitentiary for the term of three years. Pardon granted June 13, 1895, upon the recommendation of the trial judge, prosecuting attorney and a large number of prominent citizens of Pierce county. The attorney for the receiver of the bank from which Dusinberre embezzled funds wrote as follows, in part: "From the time of the closing of the Bank of Puyallup, May 26, 1893, down to the middle of July, 1893, when Mr. Dusinberre was arrested, and after his arrest down to the time he was sent to the penitentiary, he did everything in his power, willingly and without promises of reward or favor, to assist the receiver of the bank and myself in straightening out the affairs of the bank and in producing the best result possible from its assets. Since he has been in the penitentiary he has displayed the same spirit and disposition, and has been of great assistance to me by the information which he has frequently given me, and which many times was an absolute confession of wrong which he himself had done in managing the affairs of the bank. He put the state to no expense or trouble whatever for his trial, but plead guilty and took his sentence in all humility, and has been, to the best of my information from the officials of the penitentiary, a model prisoner during his incarceration."

Letters of file in the executive office from the governor of New York, a state senator from that state, a member of congress, a county judge and surrogate, and other officials and prominent citizens of that state attest Dusinberre's previous good character and recommend his pardon.

Dusinberre turned over to the stockholders of the bank all his property, and since his imprisonment his family have been dependent upon others for support. His conduct
during imprisonment has been excellent, and he performed valuable services. At the
time of his pardon he had but seven months to serve.

W. F. Fenimore was found guilty of embezzlement, and on the 12th day of June, 1894,
was sentenced by the judge of the superior court of Jefferson county to imprisonment for
the term of one year, which term was fully served. Upon the expiration of his term of
sentence his rights of citizenship were restored, upon the recommendation of the trial
judge, prosecuting attorney, ten of the trial jurors, and the officials and a large number of
citizens of Jefferson county.

Alexander Smith, having pled guilty to the crime of burglary, was sentenced April
22, 1895, by the superior court of Walla Walla, to four months imprisonment. Smith was a
young fellow of about 18 years of age, of a most estimable family, and of previous good
character. His crime consisted of entering a house, it not being shown that he had any
felonious intent. Nothing of value was abstracted and no injury committed. It was a
boyish freak more than anything else. He had but a short time to serve when pardoned.

William Holmes was found guilty of the crime of murder in the first degree, and
was on the 25th day of July, A. D. 1894, sentenced to be hanged. Sentence commuted to
life imprisonment at hard labor on August 24, 1895, upon the recommendation of the trial
judge, prosecuting attorney, several of the jurors, many officials and several hundred
citizens of King county.

The case was appealed to the supreme court, and from the opinion found, at page 184,
volume 12 Washington, I quote the following: "It is earnestly contended by the appel­
licant that the testimony in this case conclusively shows that the defendant should not
have been convicted of murder in the first degree, and this is a question which has given
the court more trouble than all the technical questions which have been raised in the
case. The facts conclusively prove that the defendant was a colored boy of weak
physical structure and possibly of no very great strength of mind, who was engaged as a
miner in the coal mines of the Oregon Improvement Company at Franklin, King county.
Washington; and William Russell, a large powerful man, of some two hundred pounds
weight, roomed with this boy; that the day upon which the killing occurred was pay day
in the mines; that these two men in company of most of the miners had congregated at
the company's saloon, as was the custom of the miners, to spend their wages and de­
throne their reason by drinking whiskey. Russell, as is shown by the testimony, was,
in common parlance, a bully, and an overbearing brutal man. On that day he had left
his pistol on the table in their room and Holmes had taken it with him to the saloon,
and had given it to another boy named Evan John, and told him to take it home. Rus­
sell accused the defendant of stealing his pistol, which the defendant denied, telling him
that he could search him. Search was made and the pistol was not discovered on the
person of defendant. Russell then, in a most brutal and cowardly manner, assaulted the
boy, slapping him with his heavy hands, first on one side of the face and then on the
other. The testimony shows that he rather gloried in being a ruffian; said that he did
d not care for death, and that he calculated to have a nigger before the day was over. As
soon as he was released from the hands of Russell the defendant immediately started to
overtake the boy who had the pistol, then returned to the saloon, and without any warn­
ing, deliberately fired at Russell, who evidently did not see him as he approached. The
first shot failed to take effect; whereupon Russell turning jumped toward the defendant,
who fired again, striking him in the forehead. Russell then fell and immediately expired.
This is a hard case and the condition of the defendant is touching; and whether or not
if this court had sat as jurors in the case, under the testimony they would have felt justi­
fied in returning a verdict of murder in the first degree, is questionable. But that matter
having been submitted to the jury upon what we deem proper instructions, and it being
a close question, under the facts as shown by the record, we do not feel justified in dis­
turbing the verdict rendered."

In the opinion on petition for rehearing our supreme court said: "As we view the
testimony, the circumstances tending to prove and disprove premeditation are conflicting,
and notwithstanding the fact that the conclusion reached by the jury might not coincide
with our judgment, under the law announced by this court, and by all courts in cases of
trial by jury, we are compelled to accept the decision of the jury as conclusive." Another
reason alleged for commutation was that Holmes was a consumptive. This proved true
as he died five days after commutation was granted.
THOMAS CURTIS, having been found guilty of the crime of burglary, was on the 23d day of March, 1891, sentenced by the superior court of Pierce county to imprisonment for the term of eight years. Pardon granted September 27, 1895, upon the recommendation of the trial judge and prosecuting attorney. The prosecuting attorney in recommending pardon states that at the time of the conviction of Curtis his county was overrun with criminals, and that the judge was very severe in his sentences; that frequently convictions were secured upon slight evidence. He further states that he doubts the guilt of Curtis, and that even if guilty he has suffered enough. The judge concurs in these statements. The penitentiary physician certifies that Curtis was in very bad health and that confinement aggravates his case.

FRED N. CHANDLER was sentenced by the superior court of Pierce county on December 14, 1891, to imprisonment in the penitentiary for the term of five years, for the crime of grand larceny. Pardon granted September 27, 1896, upon the recommendation of the board of directors of the penitentiary and a large number of citizens. The board of directors passed and transmitted to the governor, a resolution, of which the following is a copy: "Resolved that after careful consideration and thorough investigation into the matter which led to the conviction and incarceration of Fred N. Chandler in the state penitentiary; in view of the exemplary conduct of said Chandler, lie being placed in a position of trust, the duties of which take him several times daily into the city of Walla Walla, and he has faithfully, honestly and conscientiously carried out said duties, it is the opinion of the board that the law has been fully vindicated, and the board respectfully recommends that the extension of executive clemency to said prisoner would not defeat the ends of justice."

FRED J. SMITH, having been found guilty of the crime of horse stealing, was on the 7th day of March, 1893, sentenced by the superior court of Spokane county to imprisonment for the term of five years. Pardon granted October 12, 1895, upon the recommendation of the prosecuting attorney in the case, several of the jury, and a large number of responsible citizens of Spokane county. The prosecuting attorney in recommending pardon, among other things, said: "The defendant's motive in committing the crime was at the time and has always been a complete mystery to me, and the only motive that could be attributed to him was possibly to enable him to get means to support his family, as they were in destitute circumstances at the time, and I think that Smith afterwards admitted that he was driven to commit this offense on account of his poverty and the desire to obtain something for his family to subsist upon. Smith has a wife and several children who have been charges upon the county for part of the time since his conviction. He bore the reputation of being an honest and industrious man, prior to this offense; was kind to his family, and seems to have committed this offense in sheer desperation. His wife has been endeavoring to earn her support and that of her children by doing washing and other work. I am of the opinion that there was no excuse for the defendant in committing this offense but, considering the fact that he has already served more than two years in the penitentiary, I think that the ends of justice have been satisfied, and the defendant sufficiently punished, and for the sake of his family a pardon ought to be granted. The petition for his pardon is signed by the most respectable business men of the city, and several of the jurors who tried him, and the universal opinion seems to be that Smith ought to be pardoned."

After his release Smith immediately secured work, and on December 31, 1895, a prominent citizen of Spokane wrote as follows in part: "Before the liberation of Mr. Smith, his family, consisting of a noble wife and five little children, lived in a shanty affording but a poor protection against the rain and cold, and with very scanty clothing and furniture and insufficient food; while now a happy reunited family live in a good comfortable home surrounded by as great comforts as they were ever accustomed to, far above the average comfort of our working classes, and what completes all a spirit of happiness, peace and contentment in the family."

MAX TRAUTWEIN pled guilty in the superior court of Spokane county to burglary and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary, on the 9th day of July, 1892. Pardon granted October 22, 1895, at which time he had but eight months to serve. The crime for which Trautwein was sentenced was the entering of a physician's office. Trautwein was addicted to the use of morphine and cocaine to a very excessive degree, and it appears that
he entered this office when suffering from the want of such drugs. The petition for
pardon was signed by the prosecuting witness, and a very large number of citizens of
Spokane county, including some thirty physicians, and many attorneys, clergymen and
other professional men.

During his incarceration Trautwein's conduct was exemplary, a large portion of the
time being engaged in the performance of clerical work in the warden's office. Im-
mEDIATELY upon his release he secured remunerative employment.

PETE. R G. BERGAMAN, having been found guilty of an attempt to commit rape, was on
the 3d day of March, 1894, sentenced by the judge of the superior court of King county to
imprisonment in the penitentiary for a term of ten years. Pardon granted November 8,
1895, upon recommendation of the trial judge, prosecuting attorney, prosecuting witness,
several of the jury, and a large number of reputable citizens of Seattle. The trial judge,
in recommending pardon, said in part: "That if as judge who tried the case I had been
in possession of information I am now possessed of, I should certainly have granted a
new trial.''

The prosecuting attorney in recommending pardon stated that were the facts and
circumstances as developed since the trial presented to him as a basis of a criminal prose-
cution they would be considered insufficient.

ERMINIO GIONINI, having been found guilty of murder, was, on the _____ day of April,
1883, sentenced by the judge of the district court of the Territory of Washington, holding
terms at Vancouver, to be hanged on the 29th day of June, 1883.

Governor William A. Newell granted this man several reprieves, and finally upon the
5th day of April, 1884, commuted the death sentence to life imprisonment. Governor
Newell in the document commuting the sentence, said, in part, as reasons for his action —
"I have well founded doubts as to his entire sanity for reasons assigned in papers in
my possession; and whereas many respectable citizens of the Territory in the locality
where he has been imprisoned for nearly one year believe that he did not commit the
crime as charged against him, and so represent to me in a petition for commutation of
sentence of death to imprisonment for life; and whereas he had no means to secure the
services of legal counsel at his trial and the counsel assigned by the court was provided on
the same day of the beginning of his trial, which counsel assures me that he had no suitable
time to prepare the case and defense at all commensurate with its gravity and conse-
quences to his client, and the prisoner had no means to secure the attendance of his
witnesses.''

Gionini, at the time of the murder for which he was convicted, had been in America
but a short time, and was unable to speak the English language intelligently. He was
without friends or means and unable to secure counsel. Upon the day of the trial counsel
was assigned by the court; but there was not sufficient time for proper preparation and
investigation by such counsel.

The testimony in the case was wholly circumstantial. No motive for the crime was
traced to the accused; on the contrary the deceased and he were warm friends. No rob-
bbery could have been committed by the defendant, for thereafter he was penniless and
unable to raise any money to defend himself, although well aware of the urgent necessity.

The principal witness in the case, in addition to being an unusually ready and willing
witness, displayed a vindictive eagerness to secure a conviction, even going to the ex-
tent of securing counsel to aid the prosecution, and paying for such services himself. The
trial judge in recommending pardon said in part: "But I am led to believe that the bad
impression which I had at the trial as to the principal witness against him (Gionini) was
probably well founded, and as the testimony of that witness formed an important link in
the testimony upon which he was convicted, I have been led to think that it was at least
possible that injustice had been done; and this fact, together with those which I have learned
as to the exemplary conduct of Gionini during the entire time he has been imprisoned,
and his state of health taken in connection with the fact that he has already been in prison
about fifteen years, causes me to come to the conclusion that the ends of justice will
probably be best subserved if he be relieved from further punishment; and I therefore
respectfully join in the application for his pardon.''

The prosecuting attorney and several hundred citizens also joined in petition for
pardon. After a very exhaustive examination into this case, I have reached the conclusion
that Gionini was an innocent man, and therefore pardon him. During all his long im-
prisonment he was a model prisoner; and for many years as a trusty he performed valuable and faithful service to the state.

W. T. Peck, having been found guilty of the crime of petit larceny, was on the 25th day of October, 1895, sentenced by the judge of the superior court of Whitman county to fourteen days imprisonment and costs. Pardon granted and balance of costs remitted, November 13, 1895, upon the recommendation of the trial judge, board of county commissioners, and officers of Whitman county, upon the grounds that Peck had been in jail 112 days prior to his trial; that he had been sufficiently punished, and that further imprisonment was an expense to the county, and would serve no good end.

Frank Brown was on the 15th day of June, 1894, sentenced by the superior court of Pierce county to imprisonment for two years for the crime of burglary. Pardon granted December 6, 1895, upon the recommendation of the trial judge and prosecuting attorney. Brown resided on a small farm in Pierce county, and having met with reverses was not able to earn sufficient money with which to buy bread to support his family. He asked for credit at a store, was refused, and as his wife and children were actually crying for bread he drove to a store, broke into the same and took therefrom a barrel of flour and a sack of wheat. Brown had a family of a wife and five small children. It was represented at the time petition for pardon was filed, that if pardoned, he could secure remunerative employment.

A. C. Miller was sentenced on April 18, 1892, by the superior court of Whitman county to five years imprisonment for the crime of stealing cattle, to which charge he pled guilty. Pardon granted December 19, 1895, to be effective January 1, 1896. The board of directors of the penitentiary, for the following reasons, among others, as set forth in a communication on file in the executive office earnestly recommended pardon:

"He has been a 'trusty' for the past two years; during fifteen months of this time having charge of the horses and stables at this institution, which employment necessitated him sleeping in the barn, to be ready for any emergency. During the summer it is necessary for some trustworthy convict to deliver sacks to the depot and other errands around town, with our team, and to him was assigned this work and no trust imposed in him has ever been betrayed. * * * We understand he pled guilty at his trial, and has made no effort to secure a pardon or commutation of sentence. We know he has three children dependent upon him for support, and taking into consideration his age, fifty years, his previous good character and his most exemplary conduct during his incarceration, we feel justified in presenting these facts for your consideration, and believe him to be a proper subject for executive clemency, even if such clemency is exercised in shortening his term of imprisonment only in a slight degree. * * * We are of the unanimous opinion that some acknowledgment of Miller's faithful services during his incarceration would be justified by the circumstances as laid before you."

When pardoned Miller had but six weeks to serve.

Tom Watson and James Austin, having been found guilty of the crime of larceny, were sentenced by the superior court on March 23, 1891, to eight years imprisonment. Pardon granted February 6, 1896, upon the recommendation of the trial judge and prosecuting attorney, for the same reasons as given in the case of Thos. Curtis, hereinbefore set forth, and Harry Irwin, all four of whom were tried for the same offense.

Oliver Courtmarsh was on the 24th day of October, 1894, sentenced by the superior court of Clarke county for three years imprisonment for the crime of assault with intent to commit rape. Pardon granted February 24, 1896, upon the recommendation of the trial judge, prosecuting attorney, sheriff, and more than four hundred citizens and residents of the city of Vancouver, where the offense was committed and tried, comprising federal and county officials, attorneys, merchants, editors, ministers and wives of leading citizens, and seven of the jurors in the case.

Nearly a year before the pardon was granted the trial judge wrote as follows: "While I cannot recommend an immediate pardon, I do think that a much shorter sentence than the one imposed would be ample punishment in view of the facts and circumstances arising since the trial and judgment. Since his incarceration in the county jail some eight months ago his demeanor has been first class. * * *"

During a jail break Courtmarsh left the jail and immediately ran to the jailor's house to inform him of the occurrence; but finding no one there but the jailor's wife, to whom
he communicated the fact, he then ran to the judge's house, notified him, and then returned to his cell in jail.

W. G. V. Renwick, having pled guilty to the crime of embezzlement, was on the 4th day of March, 1895, sentenced by the superior court of Spokane county to imprisonment for the term of two years. Pardon granted March 16, 1896, upon the recommendation of the trial judge, attorney general of the state, the prosecuting attorney in the case, the board of county commissioners, and many officials and citizens of Spokane city and county.

Renwick has a wife in delicate health and dependent upon him for support. At the time pardon was granted it was represented that he could secure remunerative employment. When pardoned he had served three-fourths of his term, allowing good conduct credits.

O. H. Harrington was sentenced September 23, 1895, by the judge of the superior court of Walla Walla county to imprisonment in the penitentiary for the term of two years for the crime of grand larceny. Pardon granted March 26, 1896, upon the recommendation of the trial judge and prosecuting attorney who stated that at the time of his arrest, arraignment, plea and sentence that he was laboring under the effects of a protracted spree, and did not realize the commission of the crime or its consequences. Many leading citizens of Walla Walla join in petition for pardon.

John Kane was sentenced January 4, 1892, by the judge of the superior court of Thurston county to ten years imprisonment for the crime of burglary. Pardon granted April 1, 1896, upon the recommendation of the trial judge and prosecuting attorney, prosecuting witness and a large number of leading and reputable citizens of Olympia.

The prosecuting attorney who conducted the case, in recommending pardon, says in part: "The offense for which he was convicted was committed early in the evening on January 3, 1892, and the arrest was made a few minutes afterwards. The next day the undersigned filed an information against said Kane charging him with burglary and he was brought before the court where he pleaded guilty and was immediately sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary. That the undersigned believed at that time and still believes that said Kane was not a hardened criminal, but was a simple ignorant man without means, and that he committed the offense for which he was charged solely for the purpose of being arrested and committed to jail for a few months, or until the weather got warm."

Conviction was had without the expense of a dollar to the state.

Kane's conduct during imprisonment was good.

Thomas C. Powell was tried in the superior court of Cowlitz county on June 8, 1895, found guilty of manslaughter and sentenced to imprisonment for one year, which term he served in full. Upon the expiration of his term his civil rights were restored upon the recommendation of the trial judge and prosecuting attorney.

Victor E. Squires was on the 16th day of January, 1896, sentenced by the judge of the superior court of Skagit county to one year's imprisonment in the county jail for the crime of obtaining money by false pretenses. Pardon granted May 5, 1896, upon the recommendation of the board of county commissioners, prosecuting witness and a large number of merchants and business men of Mount Vernon.

It appears that two forged bills of lading were sent to a business man in Portland who advanced money thereon by checks sent to one Harris. The bills of lading were not in the handwriting of Squires, but the drafts or checks received were presented at the bank by him, and he received the money. Squires pled guilty.

The petition for pardon and the trial judge and prosecuting attorney state that in their opinion Squires was simply a tool for the hands of others.

The money fraudulently procured was all returned to the person entitled thereto.

A. L. Fuller was on the ...... day of January, 1896, sentenced by the judge of the superior court of Snohomish county to two years imprisonment for the crime of burglary. Pardon granted May 28, 1896, upon the recommendation of some seventy-five reputable officials and citizens of Everett, who allege that "Fuller was convicted on the testimony of two witnesses who were particeps criminis and who escaped prosecution by turning states evidence; one of whom testified that Fuller told him to take the goods and in whose house the goods were found. There was no evidence that Fuller was to get any portion
of the goods, or the proceeds therefrom. Fuller has resided here since 1891 and is regarded by our best citizens as being an honorable upright man. He leaves an estimable wife and two small children in destitute circumstances, who must depend upon the charity of the public for support."

**FRANK HASSELTINE,** was on April 25, 1895, sentenced by the judge of the superior court of Walla Walla county to imprisonment for two years upon plea of guilty of stealing neat cattle. Pardon granted June 8, 1895, upon the recommendation of the trial judge and a large number of officials and citizens of Walla Walla county. Hasseltine was a young man of twenty-two years of age; his parents to whose support he contributed much are both over sixty-three years of age. Disaster has dissipated their fortune and broken their health, the father being feeble and the mother totally blind. Hasseltine also has a young wife and an infant child born since his incarceration who are in need of his support. The warden certifies to his "most exemplary conduct" during imprisonment.

**CHARLES A. VORHEES** was sentenced on February 15, 1895, by the superior court of Whitman county to two years imprisonment for cattle stealing. Pardon granted June 8, 1896, at which time he had but four and one-half months to serve, allowing the legal deduction for good behavior. It appears that the crime for which he was convicted was the stealing of one cow valued at $14, and that the jury recommended him to the mercy of the court. Vorhees had a family of a wife and five small children dependent upon him for support. It was represented that if Vorhees was released he would be able to secure employment in the harvest fields; and that if he served the remaining four months harvest time would be past.

**JACKSON MORGAN** was sentenced by the superior court of King county to imprisonment for five years upon plea of guilty of burglary entered June 17, 1893. Pardon granted June 30, 1896. From papers on file it appears that Morgan, along with two men, was arrested on a charge of breaking into a dwelling house in the day time with intent to commit a misdemeanor. Entrance to the house was effected through a window covered only by a piece of mosquito netting, which was torn aside. It appears by the affidavit of the prosecuting witness "that the property taken from the house consisted of a clock and other small articles, the whole not exceeding $20.00 in value. There was no eye witness to the breaking into the house, but the goods were afterwards found in the possession of the defendants above named." Frank Snow, one of the men indicted with Morgan, makes affidavit that Morgan did not assist in the actual breaking and entering into the house and did not take any part in said breaking and entering. The prosecuting witness and the prosecuting attorney at the trial recommended pardon. Morgan’s family is a respectable one living in Washington city, and they sent him money to return home, which he did immediately upon his release.

**THOMAS E. SHOEMAKER**, having pled guilty to the crime of arson, was on the 11th day of May, 1895, sentenced by the superior court of King county to imprisonment in the county jail for five months and fined $1,000. He served his term of five months and on July 20, 1895, the balance of the fine remaining unserved was remitted upon the recommendation of the board of county commissioners of King county, and several citizens and officials of said county. It appears that Shoemaker had a wife and child in Los Angeles, California. Immediately prior to his release he was offered a position in California, and upon his release I believe he left for California.

**DOUGLAS MCCOMBIE** was sentenced September 7, 1895, by the judge of the superior court of King county to one year’s imprisonment for larceny, which sentence he fully served, and was released July 28, 1896, receiving the legal deduction of two months for good behavior. His civil rights were restored August 1, 1896, upon recommendation of the prosecuting witness and several citizens of King county. McCombie was a young man of less than twenty-one years.

**WILLIAM VAN WATERS** was sentenced on the 4th day of October, 1895, to pay a fine of $100 for the crime of larceny. Affidavits and representations made by reputable citizens of facts arising subsequent to the trial and after motion for new trial had been denied, induce a grave doubt of the guilt of Van Waters. His wife, as appears by the certificates of physicians was in a very dangerous condition, and being without means to secure attendants the presence of Van Waters was not only desirable but necessary to save the woman's life. Upon the recommendation of a very large number of citizens including
some of the jurymen, a pardon was granted August 12, 1896, at which time he had but one
day more to serve.

N. S. Barr, having been found guilty of the crime of murder in the second degree, was
on the 28th day of March, 1894, sentenced by the superior court of Whatcom county to ten
years imprisonment. Pardon granted August 21, 1896, upon the recommendation of
several hundred citizens of Whatcom, including the prosecuting attorney and other county
officials and nine jurors.

Barr's crime consisted in setting a trap gun in a cabin which he had occupied, just
previous to his going into the mountains on a protracted hunting trip. During his absence
four persons effecting an entrance to the house discharged the gun, killing one of them.
The prosecuting attorney in recommending pardon said, in part: "While the conviction
in the trial court and its affirmance in the supreme court in this case is in our opinion fully
sustained and warranted by the law and the evidence, however we are free to say that
this case for the first time to our knowledge presented for adjudication to an American
court of last resort in a criminal case, the question of responsibility for taking human life
by setting spring guns in the habitation. Wide spread erroneous impression undoubtedly
existed among the people and no little misconception on the part of some courts of last
resort, as to the right to defend one's property and therefore one's habitation considered
as property by deadly means."

EDMUND GRASSET was sentenced in December, 1893, by the superior court of Whatcom
county to one year's imprisonment for the crime of forgery, which term he fully served.
His civil rights were restored August 31, 1896, upon the recommendation of the trial
judge, prosecuting attorney and several hundred citizens of Whatcom county.

H. M. Coss was sentenced December 5, 1894, by the superior court of Lincoln county
to two years' imprisonment for grand larceny, which consisted in the taking of some
four thousand feet of lumber. Pardon granted September 3, 1896, upon the recommenda-
tion of the trial judge, prosecuting attorney, prosecuting witness, nine jurors, and several
citizens. Coss was a young man with a wife and children dependent upon him for
support.

MARTIN MURPHY was sentenced from King county March 30, 1894, to ten years' Im-
prisonment for robbery. Pardon granted September 4, 1896, upon recommendation of the
warden and physician of the penitentiary for the reason that Murphy was dying of con-
sumption, and that his death was not far off. It was represented that arrangements were
effectet for his care by friends, if released, better than could be afforded at the penitentiary.
Murphy died in a San Francisco hospital during the early part of November, 1896.

WILLIAM A. NOLEN was sentenced January 15, 1893, by the superior court of King
county to three years' imprisonment for larceny, which sentence he fully served. Civil
rights were restored September 28, 1896, upon the recommendation of the trial judge and
prosecuting attorney.

JOHN E. SPLAYFORD was sentenced March 23, 1895, to ten years' imprisonment by the
superior court of Snohomish county for the crime of assault with attempt to commit
rape. Pardon granted November 6, 1896, upon recommendation of the trial judge, prose-
cuting attorney, seven jurors. It appears by the certificate of the penitentiary physician
that Splayford was infected with consumption and was not likely to live but a few weeks.
The trial judge recommended pardon by reason of his dying condition and also because
of his belief from facts arising after conviction that Splayford's sentence was too severe.
Splayford died about a month after he was pardoned.

THOMAS HINCEHY was sentenced December 14, 1891, to twenty years' imprisonment
by the superior court of Pierce county for the crime of murder. Pardon granted Novem-
ber 7, 1896, upon the recommendation of the trial judge, the prosecuting attorney, seven
jurors and a large number of citizens. It appears from papers on file that Hinchey was a
bricklayer working at his trade in Tacoma and Seattle and on July 14, 1891, came to Ta-
coma from Seattle and went to a saloon and began drinking. Thereafter he purchased a
revolver, wrote a couple of letters, one to his mother telling her he was about to commit
suicide, and another to a friend as to the disposition of a watch, and telling him he was
going to kill himself, and gave them to a person to mail. He then returned to the saloon,
and as soon as he entered, without any provocation or previous talk he started shooting
and wounded the proprietor, and shot one George Martin who was a total stranger and
unknown to the defendant, from the effects of which Martin died a few hours later. The testimony on the trial showed that Hinchey was laboring under a delusion that every one was conspiring against him, and calling him foul names, and believing Martin called him these names and was one of the men he thought were pursuing him, he shot and killed him. The jury recommended the mercy of the court to the defendant. The board of penitentiary directors in a communication said as follows, in part: "When improvements were commenced some time since, he was placed in charge of a gang of men engaged in bricklaying, he being in fact the competent man here in that line of work. He was thus engaged during all the time the improvements were being made, was painstaking in his work, and evinced as much interest throughout as though he were receiving wages. During the present summer he rendered valuable services of great value to the state. While not presuming to indicate your action, we feel that his conduct and valuable service entitles his case to great consideration at your hands."

Hinchey's case was appealed to the supreme court, but the appeal was dismissed, because the statement of facts was not filed according to law. A second appeal was attempted, under the act of 1893, but the superior judge, before whom the case was tried, and whose term had expired, declined to settle and certify statement of facts. An application was made to the supreme court for a writ of mandate compelling the trial judge to settle and certify the statement, which was denied. In neither could the supreme court consider the case on its merits, nor pass upon alleged errors.

JOHN W. GIDDINGS was sentenced on the 29th day of September, 1894, to serve a term of one year in the state penitentiary for the crime of assault with a deadly weapon, committed in Snohomish county, which term he fully served, save the deduction allowed by law for good behavior. It appearing that Giddings had conducted himself as a good citizen since his release his civil rights were restored November 18, 1896, upon the recommendation of the trial judge and prosecuting attorney.

GEORGE F. SMITH was sentenced in the superior court of Okanogan county on May 16, 1896, to imprisonment in the penitentiary for the term of one and one-half years for the crime of stealing cattle. Pardon granted November 18, 1896, upon the recommendation of the trial judge, two jurors and several citizens. The trial judge in recommending pardon under date of May 7, 1896, said in part: "He insisted upon the trial and still insists that he thought the animal was his own, and some evidence was given upon this point, and further insists that he did not intend to steal an animal which he claimed as his own. However, although he has been declared guilty of the crime, I think that a pardon in this particular case would do him more good and be of more benefit to him and society than his having to serve a term in the penitentiary. In passing sentence upon Mr. Smith I had in mind your rule not to consider an application for a pardon where the sentence is for one year or less, and in order that the matter might be called to your attention, so that you might investigate the case, I made the sentence eighteen months. I regard this a case for executive clemency rather than for the harsh rules of law, and would therefore recommend a pardon."

A member of the Everett Cattle and Dressed Meat Company in recommending pardon said, in part: "Amongst the band of cattle purchased from the receiver of the Okanogan Live Stock Company by the Everett Company, was a "three bars" brand. These cattle formerly belonged to Mr. George Smith and his brother. * * * I am satisfied that the "three bars" brand of cattle always belonged to the Everett Cattle Company by its purchase from the receiver of the Okanogan Cattle Company, and in the change of management from Everett Cattle Company this Mr. Smith was interested with a Mrs. . . . . . . . . , and I am satisfied that in the particular instance whereby Mr. Smith was convicted the "three bar" brand cattle belonged to the Everett Cattle Company, and took them supposing he had a perfect right to do so; he was simply careless and his own worst enemy in not being sure."

A. J. KROENERT, having been found guilty of the crime of permitting and allowing sawdust to be thrown into the Chehalis river, was on May 28, 1896, sentenced by the superior court of Chehalis county to pay a fine of $100 and costs amounting to about $75. Fine, but not costs, remitted November 22, 1896, upon recommendation of trial judge and prosecuting attorney. From the statement of these officials it appears that the shingle mill from whence the dust came into the river was in litigation and was owned by a brother of the defendant and that the defendant was running the mill for his brother, who
was a non-resident; it appears that defendant paid but little attention to the mill, and was not aware of the violation of the law by his employees. The trial judge is of the opinion that the foreman might have been more properly indicted.

Fred La Point was on June 8, 1889, sentenced by the United States district judge to imprisonment for fourteen years for robbery committed in King county. Pardon granted November 23, 1896, upon recommendation of trial judge, who in a communication to the governor wrote as follows:

"About one year ago I forwarded to you the application of Fred La Point, for a pardon, and in that connection I wrote as follows: 'As I remember this man's case it was proven that a robbery had been committed and La Point was identified by the victim and the police officer as the robber. The witnesses did not impress me as being first class. Were I a witness without a better opportunity for observing the robber than they had, I would not have given positive testimony as they did, identifying La Point as the man. I considered, however, that he failed to give a proper account of himself, and therefore deferred to the verdict of the jury and gave him a heavy sentence. His letter indicates that he has a manly spirit, and that his future conduct will probably justify you in the exercise of executive clemency in his case.'"

"I now add that at the time of passing sentence upon Mr. La Point I felt obliged to deal severely with all cases of personal violence for the reason that at that particular time this community seemed to be infested with footpads, burglars and robbers, and it seemed necessary to enforce the law with a strong hand in order to suppress their operations, and accordingly Mr. La Point being convicted by the verdict of a jury, and there appearing to be no sufficient ground upon which I could set aside the verdict, I sentenced him to the penitentiary for fourteen years. Since writing the letter above quoted, it has been represented to me by the officers of the penitentiary that Mr. La Point has, during the time of his incarceration, behaved in an exemplary manner and that he does not appear to be a professional criminal. In the light of his subsequent conduct, I believe that even if guilty of the crime for which he was convicted, he has been sufficiently punished, having been in the penitentiary now more than seven years. I have no hesitation therefore in saying that I consider this a proper case in which to exercise your power to pardon."

Oscar H. Springer was sentenced on the 20th day of June, 1896, by a judge of the superior court of King county to imprisonment in the penitentiary for the term of one year for the crime of assault with intent to commit murder. The prosecuting witness in this case, one Watson, had had trouble with his wife and they had separated. On returning one day from a shooting park, Springer was asked by a child of the prosecuting witness to come immediately to her home as her father had returned home and there was likely to be trouble between him and his wife. Aware of the previous trouble, Springer went, and then ensued words, leading to Watson striking Springer and endeavoring to eject him from the house. It is claimed that in being pushed through the door Springer's foot caught, and in swinging around to prevent falling his pistol was accidentally discharged, the bullet going through the door and striking Watson, without doing any harm however. Watson testified at the preliminary examination, but left the county before the trial in superior court. In a communication to his wife some time after the conviction, which letter is in the files of the case, Watson said: "I left Everett because I did not want to go to court and give evidence against him, for I do not believe he expected to hurt me at the time and I am still of the same opinion. I think the whole thing was accidental."

Upon the recommendation of eleven of the jurors and several citizens the sentence was commuted to imprisonment in the county jail for King county, ending April 20, 1897, which is equivalent to the sentence to the penitentiary allowing the usual deductions for good behavior.

William Von Goblenz was on July 20, 1893, sentenced to five years imprisonment in the penitentiary for the crime of embezzlement, committed in Spokane county. The crime consisted of embezzling some $80 entrusted to him for the purpose of purchasing a railway ticket but which while in an intoxicated condition he spent. Pardon granted November 27, 1896, upon the recommendation of the trial judge, prosecuting attorney, prosecuting witness and many citizens of Spokane.

William Lloyd was sentenced on the ... day of October, 1894, to imprisonment in the penitentiary for three years for the crime of stealing cattle, committed in Columbia county. Pardon granted November 27, 1896, upon the recommendation of the trial judge,
the prosecuting attorney and several citizens of Columbia county. From the statements of the judge and prosecuting attorney, Lloyd, who was a very young man, fell in with a gang of cattle thieves. Lloyd gave testimony resulting in the breaking up and conviction of this gang, which convictions could not have been had without his testimony. The warden certifies to Lloyd's good conduct during incarceration, and that for the last year he has been a trusty, having had charge of the stables and carrying mail between the postoffice and penitentiary. Allowing usual deductions given by law for good behavior, Lloyd had but four months to serve when pardoned.

Ed. Owens was, on April 23, 1896, sentenced by the judge of the superior court of Yakima county to two years' imprisonment for the crime of assault with intent to commit murder. Pardon granted November 27, 1896, upon recommendation of the trial judge, prosecuting attorney, seven jurors, the county commissioners and other officials and many citizens of Yakima county. It appears that the prosecuting witness and his wife were seeking to withhold from the defendant certain warrants to the amount of several hundred dollars, which he had deposited with them, and it was in an endeavor to secure these that the offense was committed. The warrants were secured by replevin after this occurrence. The prosecuting attorney, in recommending pardon, says in part: "I have no hesitation in saying that, while Owens was technically guilty of the crime with which he was charged, he has been punished sufficiently, and the ends of justice would be best subserved if he were pardoned. The man whom Owens assaulted is notorious as a man who takes advantage of every one he has dealings with. Owens has always been a hard working man, and the people in the community in which he lived speak in the highest terms of him. It seems that while frenzied at the prospect of having his last dollar wrongfully taken from him, he forgot himself and committed the crime."

Buford C. Johnson pleaded guilty August 5, 1895, to the crime of cattle stealing, and was sentenced by the superior court of Spokane on August 5, 1895, to six years' imprisonment. Pardon granted February 11, 1896, upon the recommendation of the trial judge, prosecuting attorney and many officials and citizens of Spokane city and county. Johnson gave valuable information to the prosecuting attorney whereby several gangs of cattle thieves were broken up, either by prosecution or flight to avoid prosecution, without which information the prosecuting attorney states these gangs could not have been broken up. Johnson was a young man, and had previously borne a most excellent reputation. He fell in with these cattle thieves, who obtained such control over him that in order to get out of their clutches he was compelled to assist them.

John Slavin was sentenced May 13, 1892, by the judge of the superior court in and for the county of Jefferson to ten years' imprisonment for the crime of robbery. Pardon granted December 23, 1896, upon the recommendation of the trial judge and prosecuting attorney. The trial judge in recommending pardon said, in part, as follows: "The sentence imposed by me of ten years is seemingly a long one, and a few words in explanation thereof from me would not be out of place. At the time of the commission of this crime, and for some time prior thereto, this city was infested with a number of criminals of all kinds and the sentence was imposed upon Slavin as a punishment for his crime, as well as a warning to others. The effect of the sentence was felt here and we were soon rid of a dangerous lot of criminals. If Slavin frankly admits the enormity of his crime and justice of penalty, and his expressions of regret are manly and sincere, and is penitent, and has resolved to try to lead an honorable life in the future, I am satisfied that he has been punished enough. To my mind then the objects of such a severe sentence has been fully accomplished and I feel no hesitancy in joining in asking a pardon for him."

Salvin's crime was robbery and the amount involved was $65. During his incarceration in the penitentiary he has been an exemplary prisoner and a trusty in a large portion of the time.

Benton Wilson, having been found guilty of the crime of murder, was on the 5th day of March, 1895, sentenced by the judge of the superior court of Spokane county to imprisonment in the state penitentiary for a term of ten years. Pardon granted December 23, 1896, upon the recommendation of the trial judge, the prosecuting attorney, many of the county officials of Spokane county, several of the jury, and more than one hundred citizens of Spokane county.

The letter of the trial judge dated November 17, 1895, recommending pardon, is as fol-
Iowa: "Benton Wilson is now confined in the state prison at Walla Walla having been convicted of murder in the second degree for killing J. W. Johnson in this county.

I presided at a trial of Benton Wilson, Charles Wilson, his father, and Mrs. Johnson, wife of J. W. Johnson and sister to Benton Wilson, who were tried together on the charge of murder in the first degree. The trial was sensational and in important particulars very unusual. When there was very slight evidence connecting Benton Wilson with it, but evidence pointing to his father, Benton acknowledged that he had committed the deed, and sought to justify it as the only means of protecting his sister from the insane rage of J. W. Johnson, her husband.

To my mind, it was only a question whether the jury would believe the testimony of Benton Wilson as to the circumstances leading to and when immediately the fatal blow was struck; death following instantly a crushing blow delivered on the back of the head. The jury should have acquitted if it believed Benton Wilson's story of the killing, for although Johnson and Benton Wilson were then about a mile from the Wilson country home house, where Mrs. Johnson was, if the deceased was raging like a wild beast, armed with a loaded revolver and threatening to return and kill his wife, who had just told Johnson that she would never again live with him, and was in the act of returning to execute his threat, Benton Wilson was justified in striking to prevent this result, notwithstanding death instead of disability followed the blow.

The evidence showed that the Wilson home was six miles from the village of Chattaroy, in a thinly settled region and no near neighbors, and that the father, Charles Wilson, was away at Chattaroy, and Mrs. Johnson, her mother, Mrs. Wilson, her eighteen-year-old sister and a five or six-year-old brother only, were at the house.

Benton Wilson was without weapons, and if Johnson got out of reach of his arm, not only the defenseless women and children, but Benton Wilson himself would have been at the mercy of Johnson's revolver.

The very best that Benton Wilson then could have done would have been to have entered a race with the enraged man for the house, to have barricaded it against him, with the chances that if he outran Johnson, he could not outrun the bullets from Johnson's revolver.

It is the law that under such circumstances, the son and brother might defend, and to my mind it was his duty not to wait till the murder of those he should protect was imminent, but to let his acts respond to the energy infused into him by his desperate surroundings.

My view of this subject at the trial will better appear to you by the instructions I gave the jury, which I enclose as a part hereof.

A cloud of doubt and suspicion hung over the trial and especially affected the weight of Benton Wilson's testimony with the jury. That was, the calamitous circumstance, that immediately on delivering the fatal blow, Benton Wilson took the body in his arms, carried it to a secluded spot near the public road, where the killing occurred, left it there till night and then buried it there, where it remained for about one year, when it was accidentally discovered.

Had Benton Wilson gone to his nearest neighbor, or to Chattaroy, and published the killing immediately, I do not doubt his acquittal, but this unfortunate mistake and his subsequent efforts to conceal the identity of the remains, must have caused the jury to disbelieve that part of his testimony which tended to justify himself.

What has been said is upon the assumption that Benton Wilson's testimony was true. Now, was it true? I can say that it was natural, logical and harmonious with all the other evidence.

The separation of Johnson and wife, and her refusal longer to live with him, was to be expected from the breeding and raising of the two. Johnson's frenzy at being deprived of Mrs. Johnson was the natural outcome of the mad passion which had made him a slave before marrying, and when his suit did not progress favorably had made him threaten his own life and seriously contemplate self destruction.

His mad attempts to get possession of his wife in Helena, at one time chasing her with a loaded revolver through the house and into the kitchen where she resided, because she would not submit to him, all prepare one for the desperate madness which Benton Wilson says seized him when, as must have appeared to Johnson, he had parted with his wife for the last time, with foaming mouth and frenzied eye he broke from him, swearing he would return and kill his wife, and that she should never live with any other man.
"Benton Wilson and all of the family knew of Johnson's frantic conduct during his courtship, and of his treatment of Mrs. Johnson after marriage. Benton Wilson and they knew of Mrs. Johnson's dread of Johnson's presence, and after the interview between Mr. and Mrs. Johnson at the yard gate, Mrs. Johnson told Benton of Johnson's being armed with a pistol and warned him of the danger.

"Under the circumstances the story told by Benton Wilson of the killing is natural.

"If Benton Wilson has not told the truth, then J. W. Johnson was brutally assassinated, and somebody ought to have been hung. But this theory of the killing is unnatural, improbable and motiveless. Benton Wilson's parents are native Americans, have borne a good reputation in all places where they have lived and at all times. His father was a Union soldier in 1861, and the family is intelligent, law-abiding and obedient to all duties which society has placed upon them; while they are not rich, it has not transpired that they are not and were not well to do and independent. Johnson had nothing and they knew it. There was positively no money in it, and it is inconceivable that this old soldier with an honorable record behind him, and the dutiful and affectionate and wholesome mother of a family and Mrs. Johnson and this boy, Benton Wilson, without years or experience could have entered into a conspiracy that must lead to murder and then execute it, when it must have been known to a school girl and a child of five or six.

"Benton Wilson is not a born criminal, nor is there anything that does not contradict the suggestion that there is any criminal blood or tendency or record in the family, but the reverse. It is a good, honest, wholesome American family, where the members love each other, and abnormal criminals do not often come out of such families.

"Benton Wilson is a farmer's son, about twenty-six or twenty-eight years of age, intelligent and courageous, and who, up to the time of this killing had worn "the white rose of a blameless life."

"You may wonder why I did not give him a new trial. There was nothing the matter with the trial from a professional standpoint—the trial was fair and flawless.

"The court could have lifted the court out of their trouble had it not been forbidden by the constitution, and when the jury found the facts the court could only pronounce the penalty.

"Besides, since the trial much has been produced which supports Benton Wilson as to character, which could not have been admitted under rules of evidence, if offered, much as to his truthfulness, and much as to the probabilities and of a corroborative nature.

"I have assumed that you are familiar with the testimony and the whole record.

"For the foregoing reasons, I am of the opinion Benton Wilson is a proper subject for executive clemency, and if now extended I believe Benton Wilson's will be a useful and honorable life."

This case was before the supreme court and was affirmed by a bare majority. An able dissenting opinion was written by Chief Justice Dunbar and concurred in by Judge Stiles, found in the 10th Washington on page 410, to which your attention is respectfully invited.

WILLIAM ROBERTSON on the 30th day of January, 1895, entered a plea of guilty to the information charging him with the crime of burglary, committed on the 21st day of January, 1895, and was thereupon sentenced by the judge of the superior court of Whatcom county to imprisonment in the state penitentiary for the term of five years. Pardon granted December 28, 1896, upon the recommendation of the trial judge and prosecuting attorney, the prosecuting witness and a large number of reputable citizens of Whatcom county, including several county officials. The trial judge and prosecuting attorney in a joint communication recommending pardon stated in part as follows:

"A number of burglaries had been committed in said city during the two weeks preceding said 21st day of January, 1895, and various articles stolen from the buildings broken into. The defendant, Robinson, was arrested by the police officers when about to enter a shack on the outskirts of the town, at about the hour of midnight, in which he and another man had been staying for a short time. At the time of his arrest Robinson had in his possession certain stolen property, to wit, a goose. In the shack were found the articles which had been stolen from the outhouse of the said Latta, consisting for the most part of canned goods, wines, meats, etc. In the possession of the said Robinson and his comrade in crime was also found a quantity of meat which had been stolen from a smoke house which had been burglarized a few nights previous to the burglary with which Robinson was charged. Robinson was advised of the nature of the crime with
which he was charged and also of the penalty, and was informed that the state could not consistently charge him with the trivial offense of petit larceny. Robinson was sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. He refused to divulge to the court any of his antecedents when called upon to do so before sentence. The person who was in the company of Robinson when the latter was arrested escaped the police. From the description of the police officers given of such person, the inference is warranted that he was a thorough crook. It has subsequently appeared that said Robinson has for a number of years been a resident of Mt. Vernon, Skagit county, in this state, and that his mother resides there at the present time. It further appears from the written statements of many reputable citizens of the town of Mt. Vernon, that said Robinson, during all the years he has resided there, has borne a good character; that he was never before accused of crime; that he had theretofore been an industrious man. Inasmuch as an application is about to be made to your excellency for the pardon of said Robinson at the expiration of one year from the date of his incarceration in the penitentiary, in view of the circumstances herein detailed concerning the former history of said Robinson, and which were unknown at the time of his plea and sentence, and in view of the further fact that the property stolen from said smoke house and out house consisted in the main of articles of food, we desire to concur and do hereby concur in recommending that the said Robinson be pardoned at the expiration of one year from the date of his incarceration in the penitentiary. We believe that justice will be satisfied and the law vindicated by such a course upon your part in the exercise of executive clemency."

In accordance with this recommendation, pardon was granted December 28, 1896, at which time, allowing legal credits for good behavior, Robinson had served more than one year. His conduct during incarceration has been good, as appears by the certificate of the warden on file.

Edward Ryan, having been found guilty of the crime of robbery, was on the 5th day of March, 1891, sentenced by the judge of the superior court of Pierce county, to imprisonment in the state penitentiary for the term of eight years. Pardon granted December 28, 1896, upon the recommendation of the trial judge and prosecuting attorney under date of February 11, 1896. In the petition filed for pardon among other things it is stated that "The sentence imposed upon the said Edward Ryan was severe for the reason that he is not an habitual criminal, never before having been charged with any crime, but was led into this trouble by associates with whom he had formed a chance acquaintance while working in a railroad camp. The entire party were under the influence of liquor when the asserted robbery was committed. The amount involved was less than $5. At the time of his pardon Ryan had but eight days to serve. His conduct during incarceration was good, as appears by the certificate of the warden."

Eugene Helm was sentenced on the 5th day of May, 1896, by the judge of the superior court of Douglas county for a term of one year in the county jail for the crime of horse stealing. Pardon granted December 28, 1896, upon the recommendation of the sheriff, prosecuting attorney and several other officials of Douglas county. One of the county officials in recommending pardon stated, in part: "Helm was sentenced, as the petition states, last April to one year's imprisonment in the county jail. He has conducted himself in such a manner as to entitle him to a rebate upon his term. But there are other and more potent reasons why the hand of mercy should be extended to him at this time. He is in very poor health, and what is far more deplorable has a wife living at Ellensburg, recently confined, who is in abject want. We all believe that his recent experience has been a salutary lesson, and that upon his return to liberty he will be careful to keep to the straight and narrow path."

W. A. Hall was sentenced on February 13, 1894, to one year's imprisonment in the state penitentiary for the crime of assault, which term he served in full. On February 15, 1896, his civil rights were restored upon the recommendation of the prosecuting attorney, it appearing that Hall since his release has conducted himself in a proper manner.

John McCrellys was sentenced by the judge of the superior court of Spokane county, on the ...... day of September, 1892, to imprisonment in the penitentiary for the term of ten years for the crime of burglary. Pardon granted January 6, 1897, upon the recommendation of the trial judge and prosecuting witness. The following is an excerpt from the statement made by the prosecuting witness and concurred in by the trial judge: "McCrellys is a tinner and occupied a frame shop just west and adjoining the large
mercantile establishment of W. J. Dunstan, in this city. He cut through the division wall and thus entered Dunstan's wareroom and from time to time took out articles of small value which he sold for sums sufficient to supply his daily wants. He was unmarried and alone, and had fallen into habits of excessive drink, and this was the cause of his offense.

"At the time of the trial McCrellis was believed to be one of a gang of burglars and that he was a confirmed criminal. It has since been learned that this was his first offense, and that he was a well raised man of previous good habits and good character and that no one was with him in the breaking into the wareroom in question."

George Williams, an Indian, was sentenced by the judge of the superior court of Thurston county on the 5th day of June, 1893, to imprisonment in the state penitentiary for a term of ten years for the crime of manslaughter. Pardon granted January 6, 1897, upon the recommendation of the trial judge, prosecuting attorney and citizens. The trial judge, in recommending pardon, stated as follows:

"While I have never doubted that the evidence was legally sufficient to sustain the verdict and judgment entered thereon, it is nevertheless true that the defendant, by reason of his inability to speak or understand the English language, was greatly handicapped and his counsel correspondingly embarrassed upon the trial. The defendant was without means to employ counsel, and counsel was appointed to defend him, who ably performed that service without compensation. The quarrelsome disposition of the deceased was not shown upon the trial. This is not surprising when we consider that the defendant was without means and also unable to speak or understand our language. It now appears that the deceased was of a very violent and quarrelsome disposition and had himself been guilty of numerous assaults and also of felonious homicide. Had this been shown upon the trial it might have resulted in a different verdict, inasmuch as there was evidence tending to show that the deceased was himself the aggressor in the fatal encounter, and the jury, aided by the knowledge of deceased's quarrelsome disposition, might have reached a different conclusion.

"In view of these circumstances and considering further that the defendant is an untutored Indian, hereditarily inclined to revenge his own wrongs, it seems to me that executive clemency might properly be extended in his behalf."

George R. A. Farris was sentenced September 21, 1892, by the judge of the superior court of Klickitat county to imprisonment for ten years for the crime of horse stealing. Pardon granted January 6, 1897, upon the recommendation of the trial judge, prosecuting attorney and a large number of citizens. The crime for which Farris was sentenced was the stealing of eight horses, the value of which is alleged in the information to be $400. The prosecuting attorney strenuously insists that the sentence of ten years was very excessive. Farris had previously borne a good reputation, and has a large family dependent upon him for support. Allowing the legal deductions for good behavior, which he has earned, he has served the equivalent of a six years' sentence.

William Stevens was on the 5th day of September, 1894, sentenced by the superior judge of Jefferson county to three years' imprisonment in the penitentiary for the crime of burglary. Pardon granted January 9, 1897, upon the recommendation of the trial judge and prosecuting attorney. Stevens is a young man just twenty-one. This was his first offense; his conduct during incarceration was good; and it is represented to me that if pardoned he can at once secure remunerative employment. At the time pardon was granted he had only about one month to serve, having earned legal deductions for good behavior.

Frank O'Brien was sentenced on the 18th day of October, 1889, by the judge of the district court of King county to imprisonment in the state penitentiary for the term of fourteen years for the crime of robbery. His crime consisted in taking from the person of another man the sum of forty dollars; both persons were drinking, and the evidence against O'Brien was purely circumstantial. His pardon was recommended by a large number of citizens, including the prosecuting attorney, upon the grounds of the excessive length of the sentence. The time served was the equivalent of a ten-year sentence.

The civil rights of the following named persons were restored in the orders of discharge releasing them from the penitentiary after having fully served their respective terms of imprisonment, upon the recommendation of the prison officials, it being certified that during imprisonment their conduct had been especially good:
Name. Date of discharge.

J. Daley ..................................................................................................... August 11, 1895.
Geo. Benson ............................................................................................. September 1, 1895.
All. Griffin ............................................................................................. September 27, 1895.
James Green ............................................................................................. December 19, 1895.
A. Hall, senior ........................................................................................ December 25, 1895.
John Fishburn ........................................................................................ February 13, 1896.
R. D. Babcock ......................................................................................... March 1, 1896.
Theos. C. Powell .................................................................................. April 11, 1896.
Bert Widlake ........................................................................................ April 18, 1896.
N. Schwabacher .................................................................................... May 24, 1896.
R. Tobin .................................................................................................. June 6, 1896.
Wm. Keppler ........................................................................................ June 18, 1896.
Douglas McCombie ................................................................................ July 28, 1896.
Wm. Colley ............................................................................................ September 25, 1896.
Geo. Kenyon ........................................................................................... September 25, 1896.

EDWARD ALBERTSON was sentenced December 14, 1891, by the superior judge of Pierce county to imprisonment in the state penitentiary for the term of ten years for the crime of grand larceny. Commutation of sentence for the term ending February 14, 1897, on recommendation of the trial judge, prosecuting attorney and a number of prominent citizens.

The reason for granting this commutation is the exceedingly valuable services rendered by Albertson in connection with the ascertainment of the defalcation of the late warden of the penitentiary, and the assistance rendered upon the trial of the case, which resulted in obtaining a judgment of $10,000 on the warden's bond. The prosecuting attorney of Walla Walla county in recommending pardon gave it as his opinion that without Albertson's assistance no judgment could have been obtained, and the assistant attorney general, who also recommended pardon, stated in part as follows:

"In the course of that trial I had occasion to note the service of Albertson to the state in the preparation and trial of its case, and I am of the opinion that Albertson's expert services to the state in disentangling the threads of that exceedingly difficult case amounted to what would have cost the state several hundred dollars if it had been obliged to pay for similar expert services. I might add that but for Albertson's fidelity and zeal, the case of the state would, in my opinion, have been seriously crippled and I doubt whether other expert evidence in lieu of his would have been of any value."

Taking into consideration the regular deductions for good behavior earned by Albertson the term was shortened exactly one year.

By general consent, Mr. Couch introduced House joint resolution No. 6, relating to senatorial election, and moved its adoption.

It was moved by Mr. Couch that the rules be suspended, and that the resolution be passed.

The motion was lost. Thereupon the resolution was referred to the Committee on Public Morals.

On motion the House adjourned at 3:30 o'clock P. M.

S. P. CARUSI, Chief Clerk.

CHAS. E. CLINE, Speaker.
The House met at 10 o'clock A. M., and was called to order by Speaker Cline.

The Rev. J. L. Thompson, of the Presbyterian Church, opened the proceedings with prayer.

The roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names, except Messrs. J. B. Smith, Libby, J. M. Edwards, and Seymore.

By general consent, Mr. J. M. Edwards was excused for the day on account of sickness.

The minutes of the preceding day were ordered read, whereupon Mr. Warner moved that the reading of the journal be dispensed with and the same approved as read.

On vote, the motion was lost.

Whereupon the journal was read in full, minor errors corrected, and journal approved.

By general consent, Mr. Seymore was excused until Tuesday, February 19, at 10 o'clock A. M.

At 10:20 o'clock Mr. Ross was called to the chair.

Mr. F. R. Baker moved that the sergeant-at-arms be instructed to procure bill files for the members of the House.

On vote, the motion was carried.

On motion of Mr. Phelps, a committee of three was appointed to procure committee rooms.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were read the first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees:

House bill No. 69, by Mr. de Mattos: An act to fix the fees to be collected by the secretary of state for incorporation and certain other privileges, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.
House bill No. 70, by Mr. de Mattos: An act extending the time for payment of taxes, remitting penalty and interest, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

House bill No. 71, by Mr. J. O. Edwards: An act making it unlawful for any employer or employers of labor to pay the wages of workingmen, by them employed, in either store goods, merchandise, written or verbal orders, or time checks, and providing punishment for the violation thereof.

Referred to Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics.

House bill No. 72, by Mr. Conine: An act to prohibit the manufacture, sale, purchase or gift of cigarettes, cigarette paper or cigarette wrappers, and providing a penalty therefor.

Referred to Committee on Education.

House bill No. 73, by Mr. Kincaid: An act repealing an act creating a bureau of statistics, labor, agriculture and immigration, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics.

House bill No. 74, by Mr. Thacker: An act to amend an act entitled "An act concerning the formation of new school districts, changing the boundaries and transferring territory from one district to another," approved March 9, 1893.

Referred to Committee on State, School and Granted Lands.

House bill No. 75, by Mr. C. P. Bush: An act amending an act entitled "An act accepting the terms of the act of congress approved August 18, 1894, providing for the reclamation, settlement and disposition of the 1,000,000 acres of arid land granted therein; making appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency;" providing for an irrigation commissioner, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Public Lands.

House bill No. 76, by Mr. C. P. Bush: An act amending an act regulating the sale of dairy products and providing for the appointment of a dairy commissioner, and repealing a portion thereof.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

House bill No. 77, by Mr. Couch: An act to amend section 414 of second volume of Hill's Code of the State of Washington, relating to certain costs.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Roberts moved to adjourn.

On vote, the motion was lost.
By general consent, House concurrent resolution No. 7, relating to abuses of penitentiary management, was introduced by Mr. Marshall, and its adoption moved.

Mr. Warner moved to lay the resolution on the table.
On vote, the motion was carried.

By general consent, the following resolution was presented, and its adoption moved by Mr. Clapp:

Resolved, That 5,000 copies of the retiring governor's message be authorized printed, and that the same be distributed with those of the newly installed governor.

On motion of Mr. Johnston, the resolution was amended to read “500 copies.”

The resolution as amended was adopted.

Mr. Witt moved to adjourn until 2 o'clock P. M.
Mr. Warner moved to amend by substituting the words “to adjourn to 10 o'clock A. M. on Saturday.”

Messrs. G. H. Baker, Williams and Powell asked consent of the House to be absent from the session of Saturday.

The request was granted.

Mr. Guie moved to adjourn to 2 o'clock P. M. on Monday.
The motion was ruled out of order.

Mr. Witt moved to adjourn to 10 o'clock A. M. on Saturday.
The motion was ruled out of order.

On motion of Mr. Fritz, the House adjourned at 10:50 o'clock A. M.

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AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House was called to order at 2 o'clock P. M., Speaker Cline in the chair.
A quorum being present, business was resumed.

The following report of committee on joint rules for Senate and House was presented:

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your committee on joint rules for Senate and House, beg leave to recommend the adoption of the joint rules of the session of 1895.
Respectfully submitted. JAS. HUGH ROSS, Chairman.
G. B. RICHMOND.
SOLON T. WILLIAMS.

On motion of Mr. Ross, the report was adopted.
The following bills were read the first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees:

House bill No. 78, by Mr. Hansen: An act to amend section 12, page 14, of school law of 1890 of the State of Washington, relating to the county boards of examination of teachers.
Referred to Committee on Education.

House bill No. 79, by Mr. Richmond: An act to amend section 132 of an act entitled "An act providing for the organization, classification, incorporation and government of municipal corporations, and declaring an emergency," approved March 27, 1890.
Referred to Committee on Municipal Corporations.

House bill No. 80, by Mr. C. P. Bush: An act to provide for voting on a constitutional amendment at the general election to be held in November, 1898, relating to the legislative powers of the legislators and electors.
Referred to Committee on Constitutional Revision.

House bill No. 81, by Mr. Land: An act creating a bureau of labor, defining its duties, and appropriating money for its maintenance.
Referred to Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics.

House bill No. 82, by Mr. Struve: An act to provide for the adoption of a legal heir not a minor.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 83, by Mr. Levin: An act to amend section 3 of an act entitled "An act relating to the election of justices of the peace," approved February 2, 1888. The same being section 301 of volume 1 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, and providing for change of venue.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 84, by Mr. Williams: An act to amend section 875, chapter 14, volume 1 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, and being section 19 of the act of March 28, 1890, relating to public schools in cities of 10,000 or more inhabitants, and to provide for properly maintaining, governing and grading the same.
Referred to Committee on Municipal Corporations.

House bill No. 85, by Mr. Williams: An act in relation to kindergarten schools, and providing for the maintenance, control and regulation thereof.
Referred to Committee on Education.

The chair appointed as a committee to procure committee rooms, Messrs. Phelps, C. Smith and Richmond.

Mr. Couch moved the reconsideration of the vote to consider House joint resolution No. 6.

The motion was lost by the following vote: Ayes 18, noes 56, absent or not voting 4.


The resolution by Mr. Williams, relating to time of speech on any question, was called up.

Mr. Witt moved to amend to make the resolution read "fifteen minutes."

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

Mr. Tobiassen moved to amend to strike out "unanimous consent" and insert the words "majority vote."

The motion was lost.

On vote, the resolution was adopted by a two-thirds vote.

House concurrent resolution No. 7, by Mr. Couch, relating to election of United States senator, was read.

Mr. Couch moved the adoption of the resolution.

Mr. F. R. Baker moved to suspend the rules and take up the resolution at once.

On vote, the motion of Mr. F. R. Baker was lost. Ayes 30, noes 39.

Resolution was ordered referred to Committee on Public Morals.

Senate concurrent resolution No. 1, relating to appointment of joint committee to investigate the state penitentiary, was read.
Whereupon, Mr. J. O. Edwards moved to lay the resolution upon the table.

On vote, the motion was lost. Ayes 28, noes 34.

Mr. Williams moved that the rules be suspended and the resolution be considered on its second reading and passed to third reading.

On vote, the motion was lost. Ayes 25, noes 47.

The resolution was referred to Committee on Penitentiary.

On motion of Mr. Powell, the House, at 3:30 o'clock P. M., adjourned to Monday, January 18th, at 2 o'clock P. M.

CHAS. E. CLINE, Speaker.

EIGHTH DAY.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, MONDAY, JANUARY 18, 1897.  
2 O'Clock, P. M.

The House was called to order at 2 o'clock P. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

The roll call showed all members present and answering to their names, except Mr. Seymore, who was excused.

The minutes of the preceding session were read, corrected and approved.

The special order set for 2 o'clock P. M. was, on motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, postponed to Tuesday at 2 o'clock P. M.

The following resolution was introduced, and its adoption moved, by Mr. Geraghty:

To the Honorable House of Representatives, State of Washington:

The undersigned having prepared, and will soon publish, a new and improved code of the State of Washington, has on hand a limited number of copies of the Hill's Code in pamphlet form, sufficient for the use of each member of the present legislature, which will be practically valueless to us after the publication of our new code.

We would, therefore, respectfully tender said copies to this body and to the Senate, for use during the present session.

Respectfully,  
BANCROFT-WHITNEY CO.

Seattle, Wash., January 18, 1897.
Mr. Williams moved to amend to make the state in no way responsible for the loss or return of any of the volumes of said codes. The amendment was adopted.

The resolution as amended was adopted.

House bill No. 1 was ordered taken from the Committee on Public Morals and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 75 was ordered taken from the Committee on Public Lands and referred to the Committee on Water and Water Rights.

The following resolution was introduced, and its adoption moved by Mr. Richmond:

WHEREAS, The position of sergeant-at-arms is, and always has been, one of the most important and responsible positions within the gift of this honorable House; and

WHEREAS, This House has, by vote, made it secondary in importance as regards salary, by fixing the salaries of chief clerk and reading clerk at $4.50 per day, and that of sergeant-at-arms at $4 per day; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we raise the salary of sergeant-at-arms from $4 to $4.50 per day.

The roll being called, the resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes 46, noes 30, absent or not voting 2.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Koehler and Seymore — 2.

House joint resolution No. 8, by Mr. Roberts, relating to penitentiary irregularities, and appointing a committee to investigate the same, was read and referred to Committee on Penitentiary.

Mr. Roberts moved to suspend the rules, and place the resolution on its final passage.

The motion was lost.
REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON CONTESTED ELECTIONS.

The report of the special committee on contested elections presented its minority and majority reports in the matter of the contest of John Hargrave vs. L. M. Sims, for Representative of the Twenty-third District of the State of Washington, which were read as follows:

MINORITY REPORT

IN THE MATTER OF THE CONTEST OF JOHN HARGRAVE VS. L. M. SIMS, FOR REPRESENTATIVE OF THE TWENTY-THIRD DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON.

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington:

The undersigned members of your special committee on privileges and election beg leave to submit the following report:

That the record in this matter shows that the canvassing board at the general election held in the Twenty-third District on the 3d day of November, 1896, found that the vote on candidates for representative of said district was a tie, and duly reported the same to the governor and called a special election, which election was held on the 1st day of December, 1896, at which election L. M. Sims received a majority of the votes cast for representative for said Twenty-third Representative District. That at the trial of this matter before the committee numerous affidavits were presented by contestant, attempting to show fraudulent voting on behalf of said L. M. Sims at the general election held on the 3d day of November. That said affidavits were contradicted by affidavits filed by contestee, and that said contestee offered in evidence several affidavits showing that persons who had been taken from outside precincts to the county poor farm in Monticello precinct cast a vote at said election for John Hargrave and that said voters were not residents of the precinct where they voted; that said committee refused to receive said affidavits or have same read. That from the affidavits presented by the contestant and contestee it was impossible to determine that John Hargrave had received a majority of the votes, but, on the other hand, it appeared that said election had resulted in a tie vote. That thereupon the committee, by unanimous vote, decided to send to Cowlitz county and procure all the ballots cast in said county at said general election. That said ballots were received by the committee at its meeting held on the 17th day of January, 1897. That on opening one of the packages containing ballots from Lancaster precinct in said county it appeared that there was a ballot which contained the following endorsement: “This ballot was rejected because the person had not resided in Cowlitz county ninety days. Signed by H. H. Bozarth, Frank Claeger, and H. L. Higgins,” who were members of the election board in said precinct. That said committee thereupon placed J. M. Pearcy, attorney for contestant, on the stand, who swore that at said trial in the superior court in Cowlitz county, Washington, involving certain county offices then in
contest, said ballot had been counted by the judge of the superior court of said county in said contest proceedings. Whereupon a motion was carried in which motion it was decided to admit said ballot and count the same for John Hargrave, thereby giving him 945 votes, or a majority of the votes cast at said general election, and your committee thereupon refused to count any of the other ballots at said general election, the same being then before the committee.

It then appeared by the admission of counsel and an examination of the ballot that none of the officers involved in said proceedings in the superior court had been voted for on said ballot, and that the same could not, therefore, have been counted by the superior court. That said ballot contained the original number in the corner thereof, the same never having been detached, and that the poll book of said precinct contained the name of the voter and the number of said ballot opposite his name.

From said facts, it appears to a minority of your committee that said ballot had been decided to have been illegal by the election board in said precinct, and that there is no evidence before this committee that the person offering same at said election was a legal voter.

The minority of your committee therefore find that at the general election held in said Twenty-third Representative District on the 3d day of November, 1896, L. M. Sims and John Hargrave received the same number of votes and that said election resulted in a tie. That a second election was thereupon called, and that at said election the said L. M. Sims received a majority of the votes cast, and that said L. M. Sims is entitled to retain his seat in this body. The minority of your committee are satisfied from the appearance of said ballot, together with the poll book, that the same was rejected by the election board of said precinct and that the same should not be counted.

Wherefore the minority of your committee recommend that said L. M. Sims retain his seat in this body.

Respectfully submitted.

GEORGE B. KITTINGER,
Member of Committee.

MAJORITY REPORT

IN THE MATTER OF THE CONTEST OF JOHN HARGRAVE VS. L. M. SIMS, FOR REPRESENTATIVE OF THE TWENTY-THIRD DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON.

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington:

Your committee in the above-entitled cause beg leave to submit the following report: That said cause came on regularly to be heard before them as such committee, the contestant being present in person and by his counsel, J. N. Pearcy and H. L. Forrest; and the contestee being present in person and by his counsel, T. P. Fisk and E. W. Ross, and said committee hearing all the evidence adduced in said cause, and the argument of counsel and having duly considered the same, and the law applicable in said cause, finds as follows: That at said election held in and for said district November the 3d, 1896, the canvassing board upon the
face of the returns thereof declared a tie between the contestant and the contestee, and that each received on the face of the returns 944 votes, which tie was certified to the governor of said state, who ordered a special election thereon. That this contestant did not participate in said election, and that this contestee was the only candidate participating in the same; that upon such subsequent election the canvassing board declared contestee elected to said office, and that a certificate of election was issued in accordance therewith. That this contestant elected to stand upon the previous election, and to contest the same, and gave due notice thereof, specifying the irregularities hereinafter found, and that by reason thereof the said contestant was not bound by said subsequent election. Said contestee elected to stand upon said tie and subsequent election and answered said contest, alleging said tie and setting up said subsequent election as a defense. That upon the hearing of said contest before your committee the following irregularities were proven:

First: That in Ostrander precinct, in said representative district, one ballot, marked only with a cross opposite the republican presidential electors, was counted by the election board of said precinct for the straight republican ticket and for L. M. Sims, the contestee for representative, when the same should have been counted for said electors only.

Second: That in Martin's Bluff precinct, in said district, one ballot, marked only with a cross opposite the republican presidential electors, was counted by the election board of said precinct for the straight republican ticket and for L. M. Sims, the contestee for representative, which ballot should have been counted for said presidential electors only.

Third: That in Lancaster precinct, in said district, one ballot, properly marked with a cross in the space and at the right of the name of John Hargrave and properly voted and deposited in the ballot box, was unlawfully taken therefrom and rejected.

Fourth: That in Owl Creek precinct, in said district, one ballot, marked only with a cross opposite the republican presidential electors, was counted for the straight republican ticket and for L. M. Sims, the contestee for representative, which should have been counted for said electors only. That in the same precinct, three ballots, marked with a cross in the space at the right of and opposite the words democratic ticket, at the head of the official ballot, were counted for the straight republican ticket and for L. M. Sims, the contestee for representative.

Fifth: That on numerous other ballots the only mark was a cross on the line between the spaces at the right of and opposite the words, "Republican Ticket" and "Democratic Ticket," at the head of the official ballot; that said cross was so placed that it was impossible to determine whether the voter intended to vote for the republican ticket or democratic ticket, but said ballots were improperly counted for the straight republican ticket and for L. M. Sims, the contestee for representative.

Sixth: That in said Owl Creek precinct, two ballots, otherwise properly marked for the straight republican ticket, bore distinguishing marks, one of them having the word "Straight" written opposite the word republican ticket, the other having the word "McKinley" written at the
top of the ticket, and both said ballots were counted for the straight republican ticket and for the contestee, L. M. Sims, for representative, and that the same should have been rejected by reason of said distinguishing marks.

Wherefore, by reason of the above findings, your committee concludes that the contestant, John Hargrave, received a legal majority of all the votes cast at said election for said office of representative, and that he was duly elected to said office on said 3d day of November, 1896; that said subsequent election was illegal, and that said John Hargrave is entitled to his seat in this body as such representative from the Twenty-third District.

CLEVELAND SMITH,
F. I. PHELPS,
GEO. M. WITT,
S. W. BAKER,
C. A. MENTZER,
Committee.

Mr. Marshall moved to adopt the minority report.
Mr. Witt moved to substitute the majority report for the minority report.
Mr. Struve moved as a substitute to re-refer the entire matter back to the committee for further consideration.
Mr. H. D. Smith moved the previous question, which was sustained.

On call of the roll, the motion to re-refer was lost. Ayes 29, noes 48, absent or not voting 1.


Absent or not voting: Mr. Seymore.

On roll call, the motion to substitute the majority report for the minority report was adopted by the following vote: Ayes 57, noes 19, absent or not voting 2.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Seymore and Williams—2.

The motion on the majority report was adopted, by the follow­ing vote: Ayes 54, noes 13, absent or not voting 11.


Mr. Marshall gave notice of motion to reconsider the vote by which the majority report was adopted.

Mr. Jory moved to reconsider the vote on the majority report. Mr. F. R. Baker moved to lay motion to reconsider on table. The motion was adopted.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO SELECT ROOMS FOR THE STANDING COMMITTEES.

The special committee to select rooms for standing committees made the following report, and its adoption was moved by Mr. Phelps:
Mr. Speaker:

We, your committee appointed to select rooms for the use of the standing committees of the House, beg leave to report as follows:

After due consideration, we recommend that nine rooms in the Betman block, on Fourth and Adams streets, be selected. Said rooms can be rented furnished, with janitor, for $10 per month each.

We further find that the Judiciary Committee can occupy the room used by the state supreme court.

F. C. Phelps, Chairman.

G. B. Richmond.

Cleveland Smith.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the committee discharged.

The speaker announced the following committees:


4. Claims and Auditing.—Messrs. Moore, Forbes, Smith P. M., Barlow, Baker G. H., Canutt, Carr, Gerry, and Hicks.


9. Counties and County Boundaries.—Messrs. Bush A. S., Koehler, Hargrave, Phelps, Mentzer, Mathiot, Hicks, and Hagadorn.


34. **Rules and Orders.**—Messrs. Cline, ex officio; Ross, Williams, Roberts, Warner, and Phelps.


40. **State University.**—Messrs. Gilkey, Land, Hooper, Mitchell, Pierson, Powell, and Parker.


43. **Dentistry and Hygiene.**—Messrs. Scott, Freeman, Mitchell, Hargrave, and Witt.

A communication from the warden of the state penitentiary, relating to report on jute fabric and brick sales for the two years ending September 30, 1896, was read, and referred by the speaker to Committee on Penitentiary.

**COMMUNICATION FROM THE WARDEN OF THE STATE PENITENTIARY.**

WARDEN'S OFFICE,
WALLA WALLA, WASHINGTON, JANUARY 12, 1897.

TO THE HONORABLE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON:

SIR—In accordance with section 5, chapter 132 of the Session Laws of 1895, I have sent to you, this day, for the consideration of the legislature, a report of the jute fabric and brick sales for the two years ending September 30, 1896.

Very respectfully yours,

THOMAS MOSGROVE, Warden.
INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees:

House bill No. 86, by Mr. Moore: An act to provide for voting on a constitutional amendment at the general election to be held in November, 1898, relative to salaries of state officers.
Referred to Committee on Constitutional Revision.

House bill No. 87, by Mr. Moore: An act to provide for voting on a constitutional amendment at the general election to be held in November, 1898, relative to the limitations of the members of the legislature of Washington.
Referred to Committee on Constitutional Revision.

House bill No. 88, by Mr. Moore: An act to amend section 1, page 122 of the Session Laws of 1895, relating to apportionment of school fund.
Referred to Committee on Education.

House bill No. 89, by Mr. Moore: An act to amend section 82, chapter 6, page 366, Session Laws, 1890, relating to incompetency of teachers.
Referred to Committee on Education.

House bill No. 90, by Mr. Moore: An act to provide for voting on a constitutional amendment at the general election, to be held in November, 1898, relative to amendments to the constitution of the State of Washington.
Referred to Committee on Constitutional Revision.

House bill No. 91, by Mr. Moore: An act to provide for voting on a constitutional amendment at the general election, to be held in November, 1898, relative to salaries of supreme and superior judges of the courts of the State of Washington.
Referred to Committee on Constitutional Revision.

House bill No. 92, by Mr. Wolf: An act concerning the foreclosure of mortgages, prohibiting deficiency judgments, making provision for the possession of the mortgaged property pending redemption, and regulating the mode of sale and redemption of mortgaged property.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 93, by Mr. Hansen: An act to perfect the title of the State of Washington in and to certain lands, and declaring an emergency.
Referred to Committee on State, School and Granted Lands.
House bill No. 94, by Mr. de Mattos: An act entitled an act to regulate the fees of jurors, and repealing all laws inconsistent therewith.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 95, by Mr. J. B. Smith: An act providing for the levy, collection and disbursement of an inheritance tax and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 96, by Mr. Hansen: An act to protect purchasers of real property against unrecorded community interests.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 97, by Mr. G. H. Baker: An act in relation to and to prevent the introduction or spread of disease among sheep, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

House bill No. 98, by Mr. McAtee: An act to provide for the appointment of counsel to defend pauper criminals.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 99, by Mr. Geraghty: An act to provide for the better protection of railway switches.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

House bill No. 100, by Mr. Geraghty: An act to regulate employment bureaus and officers.

Referred to Committee on Municipal Corporations.

House bill No. 101, by Mr. Hagadorn: An act to amend chapter 127, of the Session Laws of the State of Washington, for 1893.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 102, by Mr. Geraghty: An act to regulate the labor of railroad employes.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

House bill No. 103, by Mr. Geraghty: An act requiring railroad companies or corporations to maintain at least two men on every locomotive engine.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

House bill No. 104, by Mr. Geraghty: An act to appropriate money to pay for material furnished on account of the state normal school at Cheney, Washington.

Referred to Committee on Normal Schools.

House bill No. 105, by Mr. Geraghty: An act making railway corporations liable for all damages sustained by any person, includ-
ing employees of such corporations, in consequence of the neglect, mismanagement, of willful wrongs of its agents or employes in the use or operation of any railway.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 106, by Mr. Lusher: An act relating to the practice of medicine and providing a penalty for violating the provisions thereof.

Referred to Committee on Medicine and Surgery.

House bill No. 107, by Mr. Hicks: An act to prohibit capital punishment in the State of Washington and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Public Morals.

House bill No. 108, by Mr. Land: An act to provide ways and means to irrigate the arid lands of this state by the issue of non¬interest bearing warrants and interest bearing bonds, and providing for the appropriation and expenditure of one million five hundred thousand dollars for the purpose of irrigation, and providing for the sale of one-half of the land so irrigated.

Referred to Committee on Water, Water Rights and Irrigation.

House bill No. 109, by Mr. Freeman: An act to confer certain powers upon certain benevolent or charitable corporations incorporated under the laws of Washington, in relation to the control and disposition of homeless, neglected and abused children.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 110, by Mr. Freeman: An act reducing the number of superior judges from twenty-one (21) to twelve (12).

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 111, by Mr. Pierson: An act regulating and making it lawful for any farmer, gardener or other person to peddle, sell or deliver, free from all license, in any part of the state and upon any day except Sunday, all fruits, vegetables, or other farm or garden produce and all other eatables, making all ordinances in conflict void, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

House bill No. 112, by Mr. J. O. Edwards: An act to regulate the weighing and measuring of coal mined in this state.

Referred to Committee on Mines and Mining.

House bill No. 113, by Mr. Wilkeson: An act providing for the dissolution of municipal corporations of the third and fourth class.

Referred to Committee on Municipal Corporations.

House bill No. 114, by Mr. Roberts: An act allowing married
women to act as administratrix or executrix of estates of deceased persons, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 115, by Mr. Phelps: An act to amend section 5 of an act of the legislature entitled "An act to provide for the assessment and collection of taxes in the State of Washington, and declaring an emergency," approved March 15, 1893.

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

House bill No. 116, by Mr. Nelson: An act to amend sections 513 and 519 of volume 2 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington, pertaining to the redemption of real estate sold under execution of judgment or foreclosure of mortgage, and repealing all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 117, by Mr. Nelson: An act to amend section 4 of an act approved March 18, 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the organization and incorporation of companies for cleaning out and improving rivers and streams in this state, and for the purpose of driving, sorting, holding and delivering logs and other timber products thereon, and fixing maximum toll therefor."

Referred to Committee on Harbors and Waterways.

House bill No. 118, by Mr. Phelps: An act to secure the payment of laborers and material men, and declaring the liability of sureties on bond for the faithful performance of contracts.

Referred to Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics.

House bill No. 119, by Mr. Phelps: An act relating to the recording of mining location, notices, bonds, assignments and transfer of mining claims.

Referred to Committee on Mines and Mining.

House bill No. 120, by Mr. Nelson: An act to repeal sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 7 of an act approved March 17, 1890, relating to the powers, rights and duties of corporations organized to build booms and to catch logs and timber products therein.

Referred to Committee on Harbors and Waterways.

House bill No. 121, by Mr. Nelson: An act to amend section 1 of an act approved March 2, 1895, entitled "An act relating to nuisances, amending section 2893 of volume 1 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington."

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 122, by Mr. Mohundro: An act to regulate freight
rates and passenger fares on the railroads of this state, and to compel railroads to put in transfer switches.
Referred to Committee on Railroads.

House bill No. 123, by Mr. Mohundro: An act to regulate contracts in this state, and to make certain contracts void.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 124, by Mr. Williams: An act amending section 1181 of the Code of Washington of 1881, relating to death penalty, and designating the manner in which executions shall take place, and declaring an emergency.
Referred to Committee on Public Morals.

House bill No. 125, by Mr. Moore: An act amending section 4, page 631, Session Laws of 1890, relating to distribution of Session Laws.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, Mr. Hargrave was invited within the bar of the house; he was sworn by the speaker, and took his seat as a member of the House.

The report of the committee to provide rooms for the standing committees was adopted.

By general consent, Mr. Williams, chairman of Judiciary Committee, placed Earl R. Jenner in nomination for committee clerk for Judiciary Committee.

On motion of Mr. Hodgdon, the clerk was instructed to cast the vote of the House for E. R. Jenner, as follows:


Absent: Mr. Seymour.
Mr. Earl R. Jenner was sworn in by the speaker.
The Committee on Dentistry and Hygiene was, by general con
sent, added to the committees on Fisheries and Game; Harbor and Waterways; Water, Water Rights and Irrigation; Labor and Labor Statistics.

Mr. Roberts moved that Mr. A. L. Sutton be elected committee clerk of group No. 4.

Mr. C. P. Bush moved to have the clerk cast the vote of the House for Mr. Sutton.

On motion of Mr. Day, the matter was laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,

OLYMPIA, WASH., January 18, 1897.

The Senate has passed House bill No. 23, entitled "An act making an appropriation to continue the operation of the state salmon hatcheries," and the same is herewith returned.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary of the Senate.

SENATE CHAMBER,

OLYMPIA, WASH., January 18, 1897.

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 2, and I have the honor to here- with transmit the same.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

Mr. F. R. Baker moved that the rules be suspended and Senate bill No. 2 be taken up for consideration.

The motion was carried.

Senate bill No. 2 was read the first and second time by title.

Mr. F. R. Baker moved that the reading just had be considered the third reading; that the rules be suspended, and the bill placed on its final passage.

The vote on final passage was as follows: Ayes 66, noes 8, absent or not voting 4.


On motion of Mr. Williams, the clerk was instructed to cast the same vote for the emergency clause.

On emergency clause the vote was, ayes 66, noes 8, absent or not voting 4.


The bill passed.

The emergency clause passed.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

On motion, the House adjourned at 4:35 o'clock P. M.

S. P. Carusi, Chief Clerk.

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NINTH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

House of Representatives, Olympia, Washington, Tuesday, January 19, 1897, 10 o'clock A. M.

The House met at 10 o'clock A. M., and was called to order by Speaker Cline.
The Rev. W. G. W. Hayes, of the United Presbyterian Church, offered prayer.

The roll was called. All members answered to their names, except Messrs. Seymore and Gilkey, excused.

Charles G. Raby and F. R. Marvin were sworn in as committee clerks by the speaker.

The journal of the preceding session was read, corrected and approved.

On motion, that part of the journal relating to the contest of Hargrave vs. Sims was ordered not read.

On motion of Mr. Warner, the committee appointments, as per journal, were ordered not read.

The following resolution was presented, and its adoption moved, by Mr. Day:

WHEREAS, This Honorable House elected Mr. J. A. Helman to serve them in the capacity of messenger and postmaster; and

WHEREAS, The said J. A. Helman is unable to perform efficiently the duties of both offices and he hereby petitions this Honorable House that, they allow him assistance in his work: therefore, be it

Resolved, That we appoint a qualified person who shall act in the capacity of messenger and assistant postmaster.

Mr. F. R. Baker moved to amend to strike out “appoint” and insert “elect.”

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Marshall moved to amend by striking out “assistant postmaster” and insert “$1 per day salary for messenger.”

Mr. Hargrave moved that the pending motions be indefinitely postponed.

The motion was carried.

Mr. F. R. Baker moved that the House proceed to elect an assistant journal clerk.

The motion was carried.

For the position of assistant journal clerk, Mr. F. R. Baker nominated Mr. Morris, of Garfield.

Mr. Hargrave nominated Mr. C. B. Nolton, of Cowlitz.

Mr. Hicks nominated Mr. B. McD. Bonnell.

Mr. Scott nominated Mrs. Bertha P. Venen, of Seattle.

Mr. Fritz nominated Miss Jessie Deits, of Thurston.

Mr. Witt nominated Mr. Harris, of Kitsap.

Mr. Johnston nominated Mr. Doty.
Messrs. Kincaid, Way, Williams and Hodgdon, seconded the nomination of Mrs. Venen.

On motion the nominations were closed, and the roll was called, and the result was as follows:

Mr. Morris received 16 votes.
Mr. Bonnell received 1 vote.
Mrs. Venen received 35 votes.
Miss Deits received 6 votes.
Mr. Harris received 13 votes.
Mr. Doty received 2 votes.


Those voting for Mr. Bonnell were: Mr. Hicks.


Those voting for Miss Deits were: Messrs. Fritz, Likins, Nelson, Richmond, Warner, and Wilkeson—6.

Those voting for Mr. Harris were: Messrs. Baker S. W., Canutt, Cline, Mohundro, Phelps, Geraghty, Johnston, Lindstrom, McAtee, Smith C., Hargrave, Stuhrman, and Witt—13.

Those voting for Mr. Doty were: Messrs. Mathiot and Wolf—2.

There being no election, the clerk was instructed to call the roll for the second ballot.

Mr. Morris received 14 votes.
Mrs. Venen received 33 votes.
Mr. Harris received 12 votes.
Miss Deits received 13 votes.

Those voting for Mr. Morris were: Messrs. Baker F. R., Bush C. P., Caywood, Couch, Day, Gerry, Hicks, Mathiot, Mitchell, Mohundro, Parker, Ross, and Hargrave—14.

Those voting for Mrs. Venen were: Messrs. Ames, Baker G. H., Barlow, Carr, Clapp, de Mattos, Edwards J. M., Edwards J. O., Forbes, Guie, Geraghty, Hagadorn, Hansen, Hodgdon, Kincaid,
Those voting for Mr. Harris were: Messrs. Baker G. H., Baker S. W., Cline, Conine, Irvin, Lusher, Marshall, Phelps, Smith J. B., Stafford, Struve, and Wolf—12.


There being no election, the clerk was instructed to call the roll for the third ballot.

Mr. Morris received 19 votes.
Mrs. Venen received 45 votes.
Miss Deits received 12 votes.

Those voting for Mr. Morris were: Messrs. Baker F. R., Baker S. W., Bush C. P., Caywood, Couch, Freeman, Gerry, Irvin, Jory, Mentzer, Mohundro, Parker, Phelps, Ross, Smith C., Stuhrman, Witt, Windust, and Mr. Speaker—19.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Gilkey and Seymore—2.

Mrs. Venen having received the required number of votes, was declared duly elected assistant journal clerk.

REPORT OF GROUP No. 9.

The chairmen of group No. 9 presented the following majority report, and moved its adoption:

MR. SPEAKER:

We, the undersigned chairmen, and a majority of the group entitled to the services of a committee clerk, desire to state that we have selected

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Othilia G. Carroll, of King, for the position, and ask that she be confirmed and sworn in so as to be able to enter upon her duties at once.

E. W. WAY,
Chairman Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

J. C. MERRIFIELD,
Chairman Committee on State, School and Granted Lands.

Mr. Day presented the following minority report, and moved its adoption:

Mr. Speaker:

The undersigned, a minority of the chairmen in group 9, said group consisting of three committees, namely, Revenue and Taxation, Privileges and Elections, and State, School, and Granted Lands, for the following reasons:

First: Said group consists of two chairmen from King county and one from Pierce county, thereby giving the gentlemen from King an undue advantage in the matter of selecting a clerk.

Second: King county is already well provided for in the way of committee clerkships, having the assistant chief clerk, clerk of the Judiciary Committee, also of one other committee group besides the one now being reported upon, one assistant journal clerk, and one watchman.

Therefore, we ask the appointment of A. D. Boardman, of Pierce county, as such clerk.

Respectfully submitted.

B. F. DAY,
Chairman Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Mr. Day moved to substitute the minority report for the majority report.

On vote, the motion was carried. Ayes 33, noes 28.

On vote, the minority report was adopted.

Mr. Day moved to suspend the rules, and that the clerk be instructed to cast the vote of the House for Mr. Boardman.

Mr. Williams moved that the selection of clerk be made special order to-morrow at 10 o'clock A. M. Ayes 21, noes 36.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Williams moved that the selection of Mr. Boardman be made unanimous, and that the clerk be instructed to cast the vote of the House for Mr. Boardman.

The motion prevailed.

Those voting for Mr. Boardman were: Messrs. Ames, Baker F. R., Baker G. H., Baker S. W., Barlow, Bush A. S., Bush C. P., Canutt, Car, Caywood, Clapp, Conine, Couch, Day, de Mattos, Edwards J. M., Edwards J. O., Freeman, Fritz, Forbes, Guie, Geraghty, Gerry, Hagadorn, Hansen, Hargrave, Hicks, Hodgdon, Hooper, Irvin, Johnston, Jory, Kincaid, Kittinger, Koehler, Land,


REPORT OF GROUP No. 7.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, a majority of a group of committees, have selected F. R. Marvin as clerk of our committees.

L. J. McAtee,
Chairman Committee on Insurance.

C. A. Mentzer,
Chairman Committee on Compensation and Fees.

Jas. Hugh Ross,
Chairman Committee on Rules and Order.

GEO. M. Witt,
Chairman Committee on Appropriations.

On motion of Mr. McAtee, the rules were suspended, and the clerk instructed to cast vote of the house for Mr. Marvin, as clerk of said group No. 7.


REPORT OF GROUP No. 6.

OLYMPIA, WASH., January 19, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The chairmen of the Committees on Railroads, Municipal Corpora-
tions, Agriculture, and Constitutional Revision, met and elected C. G. Raby as clerk of said group.

JOHN L. CANUTT,
Chairman of Committee on Railroads.

CLEVELAND SMITH,
Chairman of Committee on Agriculture.

J. P. DE MATTOS,
Chairman of Committee on Municipal Corporations.

Mr. Canutt moved to suspend the rules, and that the clerk be instructed to cast the ballot of the House for Mr. C. A. Raby.

The motion was carried.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Gilkey and Seymore—2.

REPORT OF GROUP No. 3.

MAJORITY REPORT.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, a majority of group No. 3, desire to place in nomination the name of E. B. Cox for clerk of that group of committees.

R. W. CAYWOOD.
J. O. COUCH.
GEO. WINDUST.
C. P. BUSH.

MINORITY REPORT.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, the undersigned chairmen of group No. 3, hereby beg leave to submit a minority report for clerk of group No. 3, and respectfully submit the name of Miss Jessie Dietz, who is a lady of ability, integrity and honor; a thoroughly accomplished stenographer and typewriter, and your minority committee is advised that the gentleman who is reported by the majority is neither a stenographer or typewriter, and that it is desirable for the successful performance of the duties of the number of committees in the said group No. 3 that a stenographer and typewriter be secured.

A. D. WARNER,
Chairman State Penitentiary Committee.

G. B. RICHMOND,
Chairman School for Defective Youth Committee.
Mr. Warner moved to substitute the minority report for the majority report.

The motion was carried, ayes 27, noes 26.

Roll call was demanded by Mr. Williams; seconded by 10 members.

The call of the roll resulted as follows: Miss Diets 38, Mr. Cox 35, absent or not voting 5.


Mr. Fritz moved to suspend the rules, and that the clerk be instructed to cast the vote of the House for Miss Deits. Ayes 37, noes 28.

The motion was lost.

Roll call was ordered on a second ballot, which resulted as follows: Mr. Cox 36, Miss Deits 38, absent or not voting 4.


Those voting for Mr. Cox were: Messrs. Ames, Baker F. R., Baker S. W., Bush A. S., Bush C. P., Canutt, Carr, Caywood, Couch, Day, Edwards J. M., Freeman, Hagadorn, Hargrave, Hicks, Hooper, Irvin, Jory, Kincaid, Koehler, Mohundro, Moore,
Parker, Phelps, Pierson, Smith C., Smith H. D., Smith P. M., Stafford, Tobiassen, Williams, Winsor, Wilkeson, Witt, Windust, and Mr. Speaker—36.


There being no choice, the clerk was instructed to call the roll on the third ballot.

The roll call on the third ballot resulted as follows: Mr. Cox 83, Miss Diets 42, absent or not voting 3.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Gilkey, Land and Seymore—3.

Miss Deits, having received the necessary vote, was declared elected.

At 12 o’clock, noon, in accordance with the United States statutes, the House proceeded to nominate and vote for United States senator from the State of Washington.

Nominations were declared in order by the speaker.

Mr. Carr placed in nomination Clark Davis, of King.

Mr. Guie moved that all nominating speeches be limited to 3 minutes.

The motion carried.

Mr. Ross moved that no seconding speeches be allowed.

The motion carried.

Mr. Bush placed in nomination Thurston Daniels, of Clarke.

Mr. J. B. Smith placed in nomination George Turner, of Spokane.

Mr. Conine placed in nomination Wm. A. Newell.

Mr. Williams placed in nomination Watson C. Squire, of King.
Mr. P. M. Smith placed in nomination Frank R. Baker, of Pierce.
Mr. Jory placed in nomination L. E. Rader, of Kitsap.
Mr. Lusher placed in nomination Senator Range, of King.
Mr. Forbes placed in nomination George W. Thompson.
Mr. Witt placed in nomination Charles E. Cline, of Whatcom.
Mr. Powell placed in nomination A. A. Denny, of King.
Mr. Warner placed in nomination M. T. Caton, of Douglas.
Mr. Ross placed in nomination Alexander McCready, of Pierce.
Mr. Pierson placed in nomination Richard Winsor, of King.
Mr. Tobiassen placed in nomination Mary E. Hobart, of Whatcom.
The clerk was ordered to call the roll, and the ballot resulted as follows:
Mr. Davis received 5 votes.
Mr. Daniels received 4 votes.
Mr. Newell received 1 vote.
Mr. Baker received 5 votes.
Mr. Range received 1 vote.
Mr. Cline received 9 votes.
Mr. Caton received 4 votes.
Mr. Winsor received 9 votes.
Mr. Witt received 1 vote.
Mr. Foss received 1 vote.
Mr. Turner received 11 votes.
Mr. Squire received 3 votes.
Mr. Rader received 3 votes.
Mr. Thompson received 1 vote.
Mr. Denny received 12 votes.
Mr. McCready received 3 votes.
Mrs. Hobart received 1 vote.
Mr. Andrews received 1 vote.
Mr. Van Patten received 1 vote.
Those voting for Mr. Davis were: Messrs. Carr, Hagadorn, Hodgdon, Koehler, and Mitchell—5:
Those voting for Mr. Daniels were: Messrs. Bush C. P., Edwards J. M., Freeman, and Moore—4.
Those voting for Mr. Newell were: Mr. J. C. Conine.
Those voting for Mr. Squire were: Messrs. Likins, Merrifield, and Williams—3.
Those voting for Mr. Baker were: Messrs. Day, de Mattos, Hicks, Kincaid, and Smith P. M.—5.
Those voting for Mr. Rader were: Messrs. Jory, Phelps, and Smith C.—3.
Those voting for Mr. Range were: Mr. D. R. Lusher.
Those voting for Mr. Cline were: Messrs. Canutt, Couch, Hargrave, Hooper, Irvin, Lindstrom, Mohundro, Smith H. D., and Witt—9.
Those voting for Mr. Denny were: Messrs. Ames, Baker G. H., Barlow, Clapp, Guie, Kittinger, Levin, Libby, Marshall, Powell, Struve, and Thacker—12.
Those voting for Mr. Caton were: Messrs. Gerry, McAtee, Richmond, and Warner—4.
Those voting for Mr. McCready were: Messrs. Baker F. R., Baker S. W., and Ross—3.
Those voting for Mrs. Hobart were: Mr. Tobiassen.
Those voting for Mr. Witt were: Mr. C. E. Cline.
Those voting for Mr. Andrews were: Mr. Land.
Those voting for Mr. Foss were: Mr. Nelson.
Those voting for Mr. Van Patten were: Mr. Windust.
The Speaker announced that no candidate for United States senator had received a majority in the House.

On motion of Mr. Powell, the House adjourned at 12:50 o'clock p. m.

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AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House was called to order at 2 o'clock p. m. by Speaker Cline; a quorum being present, business was proceeded with.
Messrs. Williams and Gilkey were excused.

MR. SPEAKER:
The chairmen of group No. 9 [4], committees of this House, desire to
announce the selection of Mr. A. L. Sutton as clerk of said committees, and ask that this House ratify said selection.

W. B. ROBERTS,
Chairman Committee on Printing and Supplies.

C. J. MOORE,
Chairman Committee on Auditing and Claims.

On motion of Mr. Roberts, the clerk was instructed to cast the vote of the House for Mr. A. L. Sutton for committee clerk.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Gilkey, Seymore, and Williams—3.

REPORT OF GROUP No. 5.

OLYMPIA, WASH., January 19, 1897.

We, the undersigned chairmen, grouped together necessitating the services of a clerk, desire to state that we have selected Mrs. M. A. Balderson, of Seattle, for the position, and ask that she be confirmed and sworn in so as to be able to enter upon her duties at once.

B. S. SCOTT,
Chairman Committee on Dentistry and Hygiene.

H. HANSEN,
Chairman Committee on Fisheries and Game.

J. Z. NELSON,
Chairman Committee on Harbors and Waterways.

ROBERT GERRY,
Chairman Committee on Water, Water Rights, and Irrigation.

PAUL LAND,
Chairman Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics.

On motion of Mr. Land, the rules were suspended, and the clerk instructed to cast the vote of the House for Mrs. Balderson, as committee clerk.

Mrs. Balderson received 75 votes, as follows: Messrs. Ames, Baker F. R., Baker G. H., Baker S. W., Barlow, Bush A. S.,

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Gilkey, Seymore, and Williams—3.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills, beg leave to report that the following selection of clerks have been made by us in the order named as follows: First, Miss Louise Dittman; second, Mrs. Mary Austin; third, Miss M. Mize; fourth, Miss Jennie Hilderbrand, and ask that they be confirmed and sworn in.

Respectfully submitted. H. D. JORY, Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Jory, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF GROUP No. 2.

MR. SPEAKER:

The chairmen of the Committees on Agricultural College and School of Science; State University; State Normal Schools; State Buildings, Public Grounds and Libraries; Public Morals, and Federal Relations and Immigration, met and elected Miss Kate Pierce for clerk.

MILES T. HOOPER,
Chairman Committee on Agricultural College and School of Science.
A. W. STUHRMAN,
Chairman Committee on Federal Relations.
J. L. LIKINS,
Chairman Committee on State Normal Schools.
DAVID MITCHELL,
Chairman Committee on State Buildings, Public Grounds and Libraries.
J. C. CONINE,
Chairman Committee on Public Morals.

On motion of Mr. Conine, the rules were suspended, and the clerk instructed to cast the vote of the House for Miss Pierce.

Miss Pierce received 75 votes, as follows: Messrs. Ames, Baker F. R., Baker G. H., Baker S. W., Barlow, Bush A. S., Bush C. P.,

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Gilkey, Seymore, and Williams—3.

**REPORT OF GROUP No. 8.**

**MR. SPEAKER:**

The chairmen of the committees of the group composed of Committees on Corporations other than Municipal and Railroads, Commerce and Manufactures, Tide Lands, Medicine, Dykes and Drainage, Mines and Mining, elected Mrs. Nettie Young, of Skagit county, as clerk of the group, and herewith respectfully ask that our action be now ratified by the House.

FRANK WILKESON.
F. R. BAKER.
GEORGE B. KITTINGER.
V. R. PIERSON.
HENRY CARR.
W. L. FREEMAN.

On motion of Mr. Wilkeson, the rules were suspended, and the clerk instructed to cast the vote of the House for Mrs. Nettie Young.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Gilkey, Seymore, and Williams—3.
REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS.

JANUARY 18, 1897, 7:30 P. M.

Board met at call of the chairman.

In the matter of the return of the ballots of Cowlitz county, which were brought to this committee by request, it was moved by Mr. Phelps that the sergeant-at-arms be instructed to deliver to the auditor of Cowlitz county the ballots which were obtained from that county for this investigation to-morrow morning.

The motion was seconded and carried, and the sergeant-at-arms so instructed.

In the matter of the bill presented to this committee as the expense account of the auditor and clerk for bringing the Cowlitz county ballots to this committee, etc., which bill was in the sum of $46.50, it was moved by Mr. Phelps that the said bill be referred to the House for its action.

The motion was seconded and carried.

In the matter of the Sims account, it was moved by Mr. Phelps that the matter be laid over.

The motion was seconded and carried.

The committee adjourned.

IN THE MATTER OF THE CONTESTED ELECTION CASE OF HARGRAVE AGAINST SIMS.

Expense bill for bringing election returns from Cowlitz county, and returning same to county seat of said county................................. $46.50

Approved:

Chairman Special Committee.

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W. S. LYSONS, County Auditor.

W. A. CADWELL, County Clerk.

Expense of Dr. L. M. Sims, $75.

On motion of Mr. Phelps, the report was adopted.

On motion, the matter of claims of auditor and clerk of Cowlitz county, and of Dr. Sims, was referred to Committee on Mileage and Contingent Expenses.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were read the first time, ordered printed and referred to appropriate committees.

House bill No. 126, by Mr. A. S. Bush: An act for the relief of the Ilwaco Railway and Navigation Company, and granting to
said company the right to construct, equip, maintain and operate
its railroad over and upon certain tide lands in front of the town
of Ilwaco, Pacific county, Washington, and declaring an emer-
gency.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

House bill No. 127, by Mr. Hodgdon: An act to amend section
4 of chapter 156, Session Laws of 1895, approved March 21,
1895, relating to elections.

Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections.

House bill No. 128, by Mr. Hodgdon: An act in relation to
the leasing, transfer and sale of personal property.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 129, by Mr. Hodgdon: An act to authorize
punitive or exemplary damages for injury to person or property
in certain cases.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 130, by Mr. Hodgdon: An act to establish a
system of public schools in cities of ten thousand or more inhabi-
tants, and to provide for properly maintaining, governing and
grading the same.

Referred to Committee on Education.

House bill No. 131, by Mr. Hodgdon: An act amending the du-
ties of the state geologist.

Referred to Committee on Mines and Mining.

House bill No. 132, by Mr. A. S. Bush: An act to facilitate
efforts to trace and obtain information concerning individuals sup-
posed to have been in public buildings at time of such buildings
being destroyed by fire.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 133, by Mr. Scott: An act making an appro-
priation for the maintenance of the Washington state normal
school, at Ellensburg, Wash., for the fiscal term beginning April
1, 1897, and ending March 31, 1899.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

House bill No. 134, by Mr. Scott: An act to make perma-
nent improvements, provide apparatus, furniture and a pedagogical
library for the Washington state normal school at Ellensburg.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

House bill No. 135, by Mr. J. O. Edwards: An act for the pro-
tection of persons working in coal mines, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Mines and Mining.

House bill No. 136, by Mr. Lindstrom: An act to compel railroad companies to construct and maintain proper crossings upon all streets, public highways and private roads.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

House bill No. 137, by Mr. Land: A bill for an act to provide for the registration of voters in all school elections in school districts having a population of ten thousand or more inhabitants, and regulating elections in such districts.

Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections.

House bill No. 138, by Mr. Warner: An act to punish officers and stockholders of any bank in this state who shall borrow or appropriate to their own use any money from any bank in this state, or shall overdraw their account with such bank, and fixing the penalty therefor.

Referred to Committee on Banks and Banking.

House bill No. 139, by Mr. Mentzer: An act to amend sections 36 and 37 of an act entitled "An act classifying the counties according to population, enumerating the county officers, fixing the salaries thereof, providing for deputies, collection of fees and payment of salaries," presented to the governor March 26, 1890, and which became a law without his approval by reason of his neglect or refusal to approve the same or file the same in the office of the secretary of state within the time prescribed by the constitution, with his objection thereto.

Referred to Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.

House bill No. 140, by Mr. Likins: An act to regulate the passage and adoption of ordinances in cities of the third class.

Referred to Committee on Municipal Corporations.

The hour of special order having arrived the clerk was instructed to read the communication from the governor relating to veto of House bills Nos. 2, 97, 504 and 656.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

STATE OF WASHINGTON, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
OLYMPIA, March 28, 1895.

Hon. J. H. Price, Secretary of State:

Sir—I transmit herewith, for filing in your office, House bill No. 2, "An act appropriating two thousand five hundred dollars for the purpose
of sinking an artesian well in Walla Walla county upon condition that the county commissioners of said county appropriate two thousand five hundred dollars, and providing for the disbursement thereof, and declaring an emergency," without my approval.

The experience of the territory and state in the matter of assisting in sinking artesian wells has been expensive and fruitless. In 1888 an appropriation of $1,000 was made and expended without result, and in 1891 an appropriation of $2,500 was made, of which $1,400 was expended without any result, and the price paid was over $4 a foot sunk. The average expense per foot of artesian wells sunk by private parties in this state, according to the United States Census Bulletin on the subject, has been but $2.45 per foot, showing that such work may be more economically conducted by private than by public means.

The present act provides that the money appropriated, $2,500, shall be expended in that portion of Walla Walla county known as Eureka Flat, and that the money is to be expended even if flowing water is not obtained.

Eureka Flat is a high plateau in the western end of Walla Walla county, between the Snake and the Touchet rivers. Efforts have been made heretofore in that locality to obtain water by drilling, but, as reported by Special Agent Newell to the United States Census Bureau, "it has been found very difficult to penetrate the hard basaltic rock; small pieces are easily dislodged by the drill and wedge it firmly, so that it becomes a matter of great difficulty, and even in some cases impossible, to withdraw the drilling tools. Wells have been put down to depths of from 300 to 400 feet without obtaining water, the drill having finally stuck fast."

In view of the great and apparently almost insurmountable difficulty before the work, and the strong probability that the expenditure of so much public money within a limited area will result fruitlessly, and in view of the further fact that such an enterprise can at all times best be done by private means, I am constrained to withhold my approval.

Very respectfully yours, J. H. McGraw, Governor.

Mr. Marshall moved to postpone further action on the bills until two weeks from to-morrow, at 2 o'clock P. M.

On vote, the motion was lost.

Mr. Guie objected to the consideration of the bills.

Objection sustained.

On motion, the roll was ordered called on the passage of bill No. 9, over the governor's veto, and resulted as follows: Ayes 3, noes 70, absent or not voting 5.

Ayes: Messrs. Marshall, Mathiot, and Mr. Speaker — 3.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Gilkey, Koehler, Moore, Seymour, and Williams—5.

The bill failed to pass over the governor's veto.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

STATE OF WASHINGTON, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, OLYMPIA, March 23, 1895.

Hon. J. H. Price, Secretary of State:

Sr—Herewith I transmit House bill No. 97, entitled "An act to aid the Washington State Historical Society," without my approval, for the following reasons:

The State Historical Society is an organization of praiseworthy and patriotic purpose, which might deserve state assistance to a moderate extent if the treasury were full and times were good; but the appropriation which this bill carries, $4,000 in all, is, in my opinion, excessive, and should not be allowed for this purpose at this time.

Very respectfully yours, J. H. McGraw, Governor.

The roll call was ordered on passage of House bill No. 97 over the veto, and resulted as follows: Ayes 9, noes 63, absent or not voting 6.


The bill has, therefore, failed to pass over the governor's veto.
MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

STATE OF WASHINGTON, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, OLYMPIA, March 26, 1895.

Hon. J. H. Price, Secretary of State:

Sir—Herewith I transmit House bill No. 504, "An act to provide Huntley's Code to justices of the peace, and making appropriation therefor," without my approval, for the following reasons:

By this bill the sum of three thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated to supply one set of Huntley's Code to each justice of the peace in the State of Washington "who has not been supplied with the same."

Under the act of February 18, 1890, relating to the code commissioner, it is provided that one copy of Hill's Code shall be supplied to each justice of the peace; that each of the copies so supplied shall be indelibly marked with the name of the county and the office for which it is intended, and "said volumes must be by the officers so receiving them turned over to his successor in office."

If this law has been properly observed, and it must be presumed to have been, the majority of the justices of the peace in the state are now provided with the state code as state property, and the approval of the present act would have the effect of presenting each of the justices with an extra and free copy of the code, as the act before me in no way provides that the copies supplied shall belong to the offices and not to the officers. If it had been declared that copies of the code should be supplied to the offices of such justices as were not already supplied with Hill's Code, the present bill would be worthy of approval, but I cannot believe that it would be wise or economical virtually to make a present of $3,000 worth of codes to the existing justices of the peace, who number some one thousand persons; therefore, I withhold my approval.

Very respectfully yours,

J. H. McGraw, Governor.

Mr. C. Smith moved that the rules be suspended, and the veto be sustained by the full vote of the House.

The motion was carried.

The clerk was instructed to call the roll.

The governor's veto was sustained: Ayes 75, noes 0, absent or not voting 3.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

STATE OF WASHINGTON, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
OLYMPIA, March 26, 1895.

Hon. J. H. Price, Secretary of State:

Sir—Herewith I transmit House bill No. 656, entitled "An act relating to justices of the peace and constables in cities of over 5,000 inhabitants, fixing their number and salaries," for filing in your office, without my approval.

Section 1468, Hill's Statutes and Codes of Washington, reads as follows:

"If, previous to the commencement of any trial before a justice of the peace, the defendant, his attorney or agent, shall make and file with the justice an affidavit that the deponent believes that the defendant cannot have an impartial trial before such justice, it shall be the duty of the justice to forthwith transmit all the papers and documents belonging to the case to the next nearest justice of the peace in the same county, who is not of kin to either party, sick, absent from the county, or interested in the result of the action, either as counsel or otherwise. The justice to whom such papers and documents are so transmitted shall proceed as if the suit had been instituted before him. Distance, as contemplated by this section, shall be computed upon the shortest traveled route. The costs of such change of venue shall abide the result of the suit."

Should this bill become a law, in every case, whether civil or criminal, before a justice of the peace in cities of the first class, a change of venue would of necessity send parties litigant to a justice of the peace in the nearest country precinct, thereby greatly increasing the cost of litigation to such parties as well as to the taxpayers.

The courts of justices of the peace have been aptly styled "the poor man's courts," and to subject poor litigants to the increased cost and inconvenience of going into the country precincts for trial would be to deprive them of rights that should be sacred.

Moreover, I am convinced that in fairly busy times one justice of the peace would be unable to transact the business that would arise in any of our cities of the first class.

For the foregoing reasons I withhold my approval of said bill.

Very respectfully, J. H. McGraw, Governor.

The roll call was ordered on the passage of the bill (H. B. No. 656) over the veto, and resulted as follows: Ayes 5, noes 64, absent or not voting 9.


The governor's veto was sustained.

Mr. A. S. Bush introduced House concurrent resolution No. 9, relating to election of United States senator by direct vote.

Mr. F. R. Baker moved to suspend the rules and pass the resolution to second reading.

The motion was carried.

The resolution was read the second and third times, and placed on its final passage.

Mr. Warner moved to suspend the rules, and that the resolution be referred back to the author for its correction; and that the resolution be returned to its second reading.

The motion was carried.

The following named clerks were called within the bar of the House and sworn in by the speaker, to wit: Mrs. Bertha P. Venen, Miss Katherine Pearce, Mrs. M. A. Balderson, Miss Jessie Diets, Mrs. Nettie Young, Miss Louise Dittman, Mr. C. G. Raby, and Mr. A. L. Sutton.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ORDERS.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Rules and Orders beg leave to report as having adopted the following rules for the government of this House:

RULES OF HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, REGULAR SESSION, 1897.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Rule 1. Business shall be disposed of in the following order:
First. Calling the roll and reading the journal of the preceding day.
Second. Presentation of petitions, memorials and remonstrances addressed to the legislature.
Third. Propositions and motions.
Fourth. Reports of standing committees.
Fifth. Reports of special committees.
Sixth. Senate business in order.
Seventh. Introduction and first reading of bills.
Eighth. Second reading of bills.
Ninth. Third reading of bills.
Tenth. Orders of the day.
Eleventh. Announcement of committee meetings.
Twelfth. Other business to be considered.

Rule 2. The speaker shall on each day announce to the House the business in order, agreeably to the preceding rule, and no business shall be taken up or considered until the class to which it belongs shall be declared in order, but messages from the governor or Senate, or any communication from any state officer may be read at any time.

Rule 3. The unfinished business at which the House was engaged preceding adjournment shall not be taken up until reached in regular order, and shall then have precedence under such order from day to day until finally disposed of.

SPEAKER.

Rule 4. The speaker shall take the chair every day precisely at the hour to which the House shall have adjourned on the preceding day. He shall immediately call the members to order, and on the appearance of a majority of the members shall cause the journal of the preceding day to be read.

Rule 5. The speaker shall preserve order and decorum, may speak to points of order in preference to other members, rising from his seat for that purpose, and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the House.

Rule 6. The speaker shall rise to put a question, but may state it sitting.

Rule 7. The speaker shall have a general direction of the House of Representatives' room; he shall have a right to name any member to perform the duties of the chair, but such substitution shall not extend beyond an adjournment. He shall have the right to appoint all committees, subject to additional members to be named on motion.

Rule 8. In case of any disturbance or disorderly conduct in the lobby, the speaker (or chairman of the whole House) shall have the power to order the same to be cleared.

APPEAL FROM THE CHAIR.

Rule 9. The decision of the chair may be appealed from by any two members, on which appeal no member shall speak more than once, unless by leave of the House.

QUORUM.

Rule 10. Seven members with the speaker, or eight members in his absence, having chosen a speaker pro tempore, shall be authorized to call the House, and compel the attendance of absent members, making order
for their fine and censure, and may adjourn. For the purpose of determining whether a quorum be present, the speaker, or chairman, shall count all members present, whether voting or not.

Rule 11. The time of meeting of the House shall be at 10 o’clock A.M. and 2 o’clock P.M., unless otherwise ordered by the House.

QUESTIONS, MOTIONS AND DEBATE.

Rule 12. Questions shall directly be put in this form, to wit: “As many as are in favor of (as the question may be) say aye,” and after the affirmative vote is expressed, “as many as are opposed say no.” If the speaker doubt, or if division is called for, the House shall divide. Those in the affirmative on the question shall rise in their seats, and the number being announced, those in the negative shall rise.

Rule 13. When any member is about to speak in debate or deliver any matter to the House, he shall rise from his seat and respectfully address himself to Mr. Speaker, and shall confine himself to the question under debate, and avoid personalities; and no member shall impeach the motive of any other member’s vote or argument.

Rule 14. If any member in speaking or otherwise, transgress the rules of the House, the speaker shall, or any member may, call to order, in which case the member so called to order, shall immediately sit down, unless permitted to explain; and the House shall, if appealed to, decide the case without debate; if there be no appeal, then the decision of the chair shall be submitted to. If the decision be in favor of the member called to order, he shall be at liberty to proceed; if otherwise and the case require it, he shall be liable to the censure of the House.

Rule 15. If any member be called to order for words spoken in debate, the person calling him to order shall repeat the words excepted to and they shall be taken down in writing at the clerk’s table, and no member shall be held to answer or be subject to the censure of the House for words spoken in debate if any other member has spoken or other business has intervened after the words are spoken and before exception to them shall have been taken.

Rule 16. When two or more members rise at once, the speaker shall name who is first to speak.

Rule 17. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question without leave of the House, except the chairman of the committee, or the mover of the question, who may close the debate: Provided, That no member shall speak longer than fifteen minutes without unanimous consent.

Rule 18. When a motion is made and seconded it shall be stated by the speaker, or, being in writing, it shall be handed to the chair and read aloud before debate.

Rule 19. Every motion shall be reduced to writing, if the speaker or a member desire it.

Rule 20. After a motion is stated by the speaker, or bill, memorial, resolution, petition or remonstrance is read by the clerk, it shall be
deemed to be in possession, but may be withdrawn at any time by consent of the House, before decision or amendment.

Rule 21. When a question is under debate no motion shall be received but the following, in the order named:
First. To fix the time to which to adjourn.
Second. To adjourn.
Third. To lay on the table.
Fourth. For the previous question.
Fifth. To postpone to a certain day.
Sixth. To recommit.
Seventh. To amend.
Eighth. To postpone indefinitely.

Rule 22. When a reading of a paper is called for, it shall be decided by a vote of the House.

Rule 23. All questions, whether in committee or in the House, shall be propounded in the order in which they are named, except that in filling blanks the largest sum and the longest time shall be first put.

INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT.

Rule 24. No motion to postpone indefinitely being decided, shall again be allowed on the same day, and at the same stage of the bill or proposition. When a question is postponed indefinitely the same shall not be acted upon again during the session.

PREVIOUS QUESTION AND RECONSIDERATION.

Rule 25. The previous question shall be put in this form: "Mr. .......... demands the previous question. As many as are in favor of ordering the previous question will say aye; as many as are opposed will say no." This question is not debatable and cannot be amended. The results of the motion are as follows: If determined in the negative, the consideration goes on as if the motion had never been made; if decided in the affirmative, then the presiding officer at once and without debate proceeds to put, first, the amendments pending and then the main question as amended. If an adjournment is had after the previous question is ordered, the subject comes up the first thing after the reading of the journal the next day, and the previous question still operates, making the main question privileged over all other business, whether new or unfinished. It shall only be admitted when demanded by two-thirds of the members present, and until it is decided shall preclude all amendments and further debate on the main question. On a motion for the previous question, and prior to the seconding of the same, a call of the House shall be in order, but after a majority shall have seconded such motion, no call shall be in order prior to the decision of the main question.

Rule 26. When a motion has once been made and carried in the affirmative or negative, it shall be in order for any member of the prevailing side to move for reconsideration thereof, on the same day or next working day thereafter.
DIVISION OF QUESTIONS.

Rule 27. A division cannot be demanded as of right by any member. It must be made pursuant to a motion stating precisely the division asked for, which motion can be amended. The presiding officer can decide, subject to an appeal to the House, that the division proposed cannot be made. Otherwise it is submitted to the House and decided by it.

AMENDMENTS.

Rule 28. No motion or proposition on a subject shall be admitted under color of amendment, if different from that under consideration. No bill or resolution shall at any time be amended by annexing thereto or incorporating any bill or resolution pending before the House.

Rule 29. No amendment shall be received to a bill on its third reading, but it may be referred or recommitted for the purpose of amendment. A bill may be recommitted at any time before its passage.

PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Rule 30. Petitions, memorials and other papers addressed to the House may be presented by the speaker or any member, and shall not be debated or decided on the day of their being first read unless the House shall direct otherwise, but they may be referred to the committee having the subject matter thereof under consideration, or may lie on the table, to be taken up in the order in which they are presented.

BILLS, JOINT AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS.

Rule 31. Any member desiring to introduce a bill shall first obtain the floor and state that he desires to introduce a bill, and if entitled to do so, the bill shall be sent to the clerk's desk to be numbered, and all bills shall be read in the order in which they are numbered by the clerk, but no bill shall be read a first time until every member present entitled to introduce a bill has had an opportunity to do so, unless otherwise ordered by the House.

Rule 32. Every bill shall be read on three several days unless the House shall deem it expedient to suspend this rule. The first reading shall be by title only, unless a majority of the members present demand a reading in full. All bills shall be printed, unless otherwise ordered by the House, and be referred to committee after first reading. Bills shall pass to second reading when reported back by the committee. Each amendment made by a committee to a bill shall be in writing on a separate slip of paper, and shall be securely attached to the original bill by a paper fastener. The report of the committee shall also contain a statement of all amendments agreed to by the committee. Any committee report on a bill not conforming with this rule shall be returned by the chief clerk of the House to the committee for a compliance with this rule without further order by the house. Upon second reading, bills shall be read section by section, in full, and be subject to amendment. No amendment shall be considered by the House until it shall have been sent to the desk in writing and have been read by the clerk. All amendments adopted on
second reading shall be securely attached to the original bill by a paper fastener. Amendments rejected by the House shall be passed to the journal clerk, and the journal shall show the disposition of such amendments. When no further amendments shall be offered, the speaker shall declare that the bill has passed its second reading. The bill, with the amendments, if there be any attached thereto, shall be sent to the committee on engrossed and enrolled bills, which committee shall see that all amendments are properly engrossed upon the original bill, and the bill returned to the chief clerk before the opening of the House on the next succeeding day, and the bill shall then come up in its regular order for a third reading. Bills on third reading shall be read in full by sections. The only question on the third reading of a bill shall be upon its passage, and no amendment shall be entertained.

Rule 33. A bill may be advanced on the calendar by a vote of three-fifths of all members present voting in the affirmative; and the question shall be: "Shall the bill be advanced on the calendar?"

Rule 34. All joint or concurrent resolutions shall be acted upon the same as bills, unless otherwise ordered by a majority of the House.

Rule 35. When a bill shall pass, it shall be certified to by the clerk, together with the vote upon final passage, noting the day of its passage at the foot thereof.

Rule 36. On the final passage of every bill the ayes and noes shall be taken and entered upon the journal.

Rule 37. No engrossed bill, memorial or joint resolution shall be sent to the Senate until one day after its passage, without special instructions by the House.

AYES AND NOES.

Rule 38. Upon the passage of any question the vote shall be taken by ayes and noes and shall be entered upon the journal of the House, when demanded by one-sixth of the members present. The speaker shall vote when the ayes and noes are called for, his name being called last, and in case of an equal division the question shall be lost.

VOTING.

Rule 39. No member shall vote on any question in the event of which he is immediately or particularly interested, or in any case when he was not within the bar of the House before the last name was called, unless by unanimous consent; and when any member shall ask leave to vote, the speaker shall propound to him the question: "Were you within the bar when the last name was called?"

Rule 40. Upon a division and a count of the House on any question, no member without the bar shall be counted.

DUTIES OF MEMBERS.

Rule 41. While the speaker is putting the question no member shall walk across or out of the House; nor when a member is speaking shall any entertain private discourse or pass between him and the chair.
Rule 42. Every member who shall be in the House when the question was put shall give his vote unless the House for special reasons shall excuse him. All motions to excuse a member shall be made before the House divides or before the call for ayes and noes is commenced; and any member requesting to be excused from voting may make a brief and verbal statement of the reasons for making such request, and the question shall then be taken without further debate.

Rule 43. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House unless he shall have leave or be sick and unable to attend.

Rule 44. No person shall be allowed to smoke in the hall or lobby thereof during the session or recess.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE.

Rule 45. In forming a committee of the whole House the speaker having the chair shall call upon some member to preside, who shall be addressed as "Mr. Chairman."

Rule 46. Upon a bill committed to a committee of the whole House, the bill shall be read and debated by clauses, leaving the preamble to be last considered. The body of the bill shall not be defaced or interlined, but all amendments (noting the page and line) shall be duly entered by the clerk on a separate paper, as the same shall be agreed to by the committee and so reported to the House. After a report, the bill shall again be subject to be debated and amended by clauses before a question to engross it be taken.

Rule 47. The rules of proceeding in the House shall be observed in a committee of the whole House so far as they may be applicable, but no member shall be recognized a second time until every member choosing to speak shall have spoken.

VETOES.

Rule 48. The veto message of the governor accompanying any bill passed by the House of Representatives, other than as provided in joint rule No. 9, shall be immediately read, together with the bill vetoed. It shall then be in order to proceed to the reconsideration of the bill, or to postpone its consideration to a day certain.

A veto message and a bill, or the message alone, may be referred and the bill may be laid on the table.

The main question in the consideration of a vetoed bill is: "Shall the bill pass notwithstanding the veto of the governor?" If two-thirds of the members present vote aye the bill shall be sent to the Senate, together with the message of the governor, for its action.

The merits of the bill may be debated before the vote is taken, but the vote on a vetoed bill cannot be reconsidered.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Rule 49. The standing committees to be appointed by the speaker shall consist of not less than five nor more than fifteen members each, as follows:
Rule 50. No committee shall sit during the sitting of the House without special leave, and all its writs, warrants and subpoenas issued by order of the House shall be under the hand and seal of the speaker, attested by the clerk.
Rule 51. It shall be in order for the committee on enrolled and engrossed bills to report at any time, if no motion is before the House. This committee may report without notice to the House by handing the report to the chief clerk.

Rule 52. Standing committees shall report all bills back to the House within ten days from the time of reference, unless further time be granted by the House.

CALL OF THE HOUSE.

Rule 53. Five members may demand a call of the House at any time before the House has divided or the voting has commenced by ayes and noes, and thereupon the doors shall be closed until further proceedings upon the call have been dispensed with, which shall not be done until the absentees have been sent for, if requested by any member; but arrests of members for absence shall not be made unless ordered by a majority of the members present.

STANDING RULES.

Rule 54. No standing rule or order of the House shall be rescinded or changed without one day's notice being given of the motion therefor, nor shall any rule be suspended except by a vote of at least two-thirds of the members present. Neither the standing rules nor the order of business established by the House shall be postponed, changed or rescinded, except by a vote of at least two-thirds of the members present.

Rule 55. The rules of parliamentary practice comprised in Roberts' Rules of Order shall govern in all cases in which they are not inconsistent with the standing rules and orders of the House.

DUTIES OF SUBORDINATE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES.

Rule 56. The chief clerk of the House shall see that the journal is properly kept, and have general supervision over all the clerks, excepting committee clerks while their services are required by standing committees.

Rule 57. The assistant clerk shall keep a correct record of all the proceedings of the House, and perform such other duties as the chief clerk shall prescribe.

Rule 58. The reading clerk shall read all communications, call the roll, and perform such other duties as the chief clerk shall direct.

Rule 59. The journal clerk shall transcribe the minutes of the House, as approved, into the journal provided for that purpose.

Rule 60. The docket clerk shall keep a correct list (in a book provided for that purpose) of all bills, memorials and resolutions introduced, and perform such other duties as the chief clerk may require.

Rule 61. The enrolling and engrossing clerks shall be under the supervision of the committee on enrolled and engrossed bills when their services are needed by that committee.

Rule 62. The sergeant-at-arms shall attend the House during the sittings, announce all messengers, preserve order in the body of the hall, and
execute all processes issued by authority of the House and directed to him by the speaker. He shall also cause the assistant doorkeeper and watchman to perform the duties of janitor.

Rule 63. The assistant sergeant-at-arms shall be under the supervision of the sergeant-at-arms, and perform such duties as that officer shall prescribe.

Rule 64. The doorkeeper shall attend the House during the sitting, and shall give notice to the House of all messages, keep the representative hall and committee rooms in perfect order, and in all things execute the commands of the speaker of the House and the sergeant-at-arms.

Rule 65. The messenger and postmaster shall carry all the messages that the House may require, private as well as public, distribute all mail matter, and in all things execute the commands of the speaker of the House.

Rule 66. The watchman shall be in charge of the representative hall and be responsible for the property therein, when the House is not in session, between the hours of 6 P.M. and 8 A.M.

Rule 67. The watchman shall sweep the hall, keep the room heated and ventilated, keep closets connected with the hall in good order and condition.

Rule 68. All clerks, except when acting under assignment, shall report to the chief clerk or assistant for duty, one hour before the opening of each daily session. All other employees of the House, excepting the watchman, shall report for duty to the sergeant-at-arms daily at 9 A.M.

Rule 69. Any officer or employee of the house who shall neglect or refuse to perform any duties assigned to him, or be found in a state of intoxication, shall, when reported to the House in writing by a standing committee, be subject to a reprimand, and for a second offense be removed, by a majority vote of the House.

Respectfully submitted.

JAS. HUGH ROSS, Chairman.

We concur:

W. B. ROBERTS.
A. D. WARNER.
F. I. PHELPS.
J. H. MARSHALL.

On motion of Mr. Roberts, the report was adopted.

Mr. Merrifield moved that a committee of three be appointed, to consist of chairmen of committees, to arrange the schedule of meeting time of the committees.

The motion was carried.

The speaker appointed the following named members as such committee: Messrs. Merrifield, Phelps, and Day.

House memorial No. 2 was read the first time

Mr. Warner moved to suspend the rules and pass the memorial to third reading.
The motion was carried.
Mr. F. R. Baker moved to substitute memorial No. 2 for House resolution No. 9.
The motion was carried.

On roll call on House memorial No. 2, the vote was: Ayes 72, noes 1, absent or not voting 4.


Noes: Mr. Johnson.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Gilkey, Seymore, Williams, and Wilkeson — 4.

The memorial was passed.

On motion of Mr. Warner, the rules were further suspended, and chief clerk instructed to transmit bill to Senate at once.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER.
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 19, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 1, entitled "An act appropriating fifty thousand dollars for the payment of the salaries of members and employees, and other expenses of this session of the Legislature."
And the same is herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

Senate bill No. 1 was read the first time.
Mr. Warner moved that the rules be suspended, and the bill read the second time and put upon its final passage.
The motion carried.

Mr. F. R. Baker moved that the reading just had be considered the third reading, and that the bill be placed on its final passage.
The motion carried.
Senate bill No. 1 passed by the following vote: Ayes 70, noes 3, absent or not voting 5.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Gilkey, Seymore, Struve, Williams, and Wilkeson—5.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the House adjourned at 3:35 o'clock P. M.

CHAS. E. CLINE, Speaker.

S. P. CARUSI, Chief Clerk.

TENTH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, Wednesday, January 20, 1897.  
10 o’clock A. M.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 10 o’clock A. M., and was called to order by Speaker Cline.

The Rev. J. B. McCallum, of the Christian Church, offered prayer.

The roll was called; all members being present except Mr. Williams, excused.

Mr. Witt moved to dispense with reading of journal, and the same be approved.
On vote, the motion was lost.

The journal of the preceding day was read, corrected and approved.

On motion of Mr. Guie, the calling of the roll was ordered dispensed with.

The following resolution was presented, and its adoption moved by Mr. Freeman:

Resolved, That it be the wish of this House that a committee of five be appointed by the speaker to advertise for and receive bids for suitable office room for the officers of the state for the ensuing four years, and that said committee report to this House on or before February 10, 1897.

On motion of Mr. Roberts, the resolution was referred to the author for correction.

The special committee on arrangement of time for committee meeting presented their report.

Mr. Merrifield moved the adoption of the report.

Mr. Marshall moved to re-refer the report to the committee.

On vote, the motion was carried.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Phelps:

Resolved, That 250 copies of the time of meeting of standing committees be printed for use of the legislature.

On motion, the resolution was referred to committee, together with said committee's report.

House joint resolution No. 10 was, on motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, made a substitute to House concurrent resolution No. 3, relating to the penitentiary investigation.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PENITENTIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, January 19, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Penitentiary, to whom was referred resolution made in committee, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be passed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

A. D. WARNER, Chairman.
R. W. CAYWOOD.
GEO. WINDUST.
J. PARKER.
W. B. ROBERTS.
G. B. RICHMOND.
J. C. CONINE.
J. O. EDWARDS.
W. L. FREEMAN.
J. C. MERRIFIELD.
On motion of Mr. Warner, the rules were suspended, the resolution read the second and third time, and placed on its final passage.

The roll call was ordered on the final passage of House joint concurrent resolution No. 10, adopted as a substitute for House concurrent resolution No. 3, and resulted as follows: Ayes 72, noes 2, absent or not voting 4.


The resolution having received the required number of votes, was declared passed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The report of Committee on Mileage and Contingent Expenses was presented, and its adoption moved, by Mr. Merrifield.

On motion, the report was referred back to the committee for further consideration.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees:

House bill No. 141, by Mr. Roberts: An act to amend section 628, vol. 2, Hill’s Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington, prohibiting deficiency judgments in certain cases.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 142, by Mr. Roberts: An act relating to the common school system of the State of Washington, and to give greater currency and value to school district warrants by guarding against
the payment, registration and endorsement of forgeries thereof, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Education.

House bill No. 143, by Mr. Powell: An act in regard to the preservation of game.

Referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

House bill No. 144, by Mr. Johnston: An act amending sections 15 and 16 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the enrollment of the militia, for the organization and maintenance and discipline of the national guard of the State of Washington, and for the public defense," and entitled the "Military Code," and to repeal existing laws, approved March 19, 1895.

Referred to Committee on Military Affairs and Soldier's Home.

House bill No. 145, by Mr. Warner: An act relating to compensation of public officers.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 146, by Mr. Johnston: An act fixing the per diem and mileage of witnesses in civil actions.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 147, by Mr. Johnston: An act fixing the per diem and mileage of witnesses in criminal actions.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 148, by Mr. J. B. Smith: An act aiding indigent persons in the prosecution of suits at law in the courts of the state.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 149, by Mr. Stafford: An act to prevent railroad companies and other common carriers of passengers for hire issuing limited tickets or return tickets, and to enforce the same by adequate penalties.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

House bill No. 150, by Mr. A. S. Bush: An act regulating fishing in the waters of Willapa Bay and its tributaries.

Referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

House bill No. 151, by Mr. Day: An act providing for the organization and regulation of banks, and prescribing penalty for violation of this act, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Banks and Banking.

House bill No. 152, by Mr. J. O. Edwards: An act entitled an act to provide for the recovery of the bodies of workmen enclosed or entombed in coal mines.
House bill No. 153, by Mr. Land: An act making it unlawful to kill or poison honey bees, and making it unlawful to place any poisoned sweetened substance where it is accessible to honey bees, and prescribing the punishment therefor, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

House bill No. 154, by Mr. Johnston: An act for the relief of C. Abrams, of Spokane county.

Referred to Committee on Claims and Auditing.

House bill No. 155, by Mr. J. B. Smith: An act providing that prisoners, when found guilty, shall be charged with cost of board, stage and car fare, if in the judgment of the court they are able to pay same.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 156, by Mr. Clapp: An act to amend section 1443 of the Code of Washington of 1881, the same being section 955 of the second volume of Hill’s Annotated Codes of Washington, and in regard to settlement of estates of decedents.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 157, by Mr. Gilkey: An act to authorize the appointment of a committee relative to the state penitentiary, and the management and investigation thereof, and for other purposes, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on State Penitentiary.

Mr. Gilkey moved that the rules be suspended, and House bill No. 157 be read the second time.

On vote, the motion was carried.

Mr. Warner moved to lay the bill on the table.

On vote, the motion was lost.

Mr. Gilkey moved to further suspend the rules, and that House bill No. 157 be read a third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the motion was lost.

Mr. Phelps moved the previous question, and on vote the motion was carried.

House bill No. 157 was ordered to lie on the table.

House bill No. 158, by Mr. Likins: An act to amend section 1 of an act entitled “An act prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors on or near the grounds of the university of Washington.”

Referred to Committee on State University.
House bill No. 159, by Mr. Guie: An act prescribing the manner in which execution against real estate, under decree of foreclosure of mortgage or judgment, may be stayed.
Referred to Judiciary Committee.

House bill No. 160, by Mr. Guie: An act to provide for the examination of hostile and unwilling witnesses.
Referred to Judiciary Committee.

House concurrent resolution, by Mr. Marshall, relating to placing telegraph wires and instruments in the capitol, and furnish operator.
Referred to Committee on Public Grounds, Buildings and Libraries.

House concurrent resolution No. 11, by Mr. Freeman, relating to procuring rooms for state officers.
Referred to Committee on Public Grounds, Buildings and Libraries.

On motion, the Speaker appointed Messrs. Roberts, Couch and Conine as a committee to invite the Senate to joint session for election of a United States senator for the State of Washington.

Mr. Day introduced the following resolution, and moved its adoption:

Resolved, That the sergeant-at-arms be instructed to procure one "Welsback burner" for the journal clerks' room.

On vote, the resolution was lost.

On motion of Mr. Phelps, the House took a recess at 11:40 o'clock A. M., until 11:50 o'clock A. M.

After recess.
The House resumed business at 11:55 o'clock A. M.
The committee appointed to invite the Senate to joint session reported having done their work.

Alfred B. Boardman was sworn in by the speaker as committee clerk.

JOINT SESSION.

The sergeant-at-arms announced the arrival of the honorable senators at the door of the House, and the speaker invited the senators to seats within the bar.

At the request of the speaker, Lieutenant Governor Daniels presided over the joint body, assisted by the speaker.

The secretary of the Senate called the roll; all senators being present and answering to their names.
The clerk of the House called the roll of the House; all members being present, except Mr. Williams, excused.

The secretary of the Senate read that portion of the Senate journal of the preceding day relating to the ballot for United States senator.

Senator Plummer, president pro tem. of the Senate, was called to the chair by Lieutenant Governor Daniels at 12:15 o’clock P. M.

The reading clerk of the House read that portion of the House journal relating to the ballot for United States senator.

From the reading of the journals of each house, it appeared that no person had received a majority of the votes cast in each house, therefore there had been no election.

FIRST JOINT BALLOT.

The joint roll of the Senate and House was called.

Eight senators and representatives voted for Clark Davis.

Thirteen senators and representatives voted for Hon. Thurston Daniels.

Nineteen senators and representatives voted for George Turner.

One representative voted for W. A. Newell.

Two representatives voted for Hon. Watson C. Squire.

Seven senators and representatives voted for Hon. F. R. Baker.

Six senators and representatives voted for L. E. Rader.

One senator voted for Hon. J. W. Range.

Thirteen senators and representatives voted for Hon. Chas. E. Cline.

Twenty-six senators and representatives voted for A. A. Denny.

One representative voted for N. T. Caton.

One representative voted for A. McCready.

Nine senators and representatives voted for Richard Winsor.

One representative voted for W. R. Andrews.

One representative voted for Louis Foss.

One representative voted for G. W. Witt.

One representative voted for G. H. Westcott.

Those voting for Clark Davis on the first joint ballot were: Carr, Day, Gilkey, Hodgdon, Koehler, Mitchell, Range, and Yeend—8.


Those voting for George Turner were: Baum, Bush A. S., Easterday, Fritz, Geraghty, Hagadorn, Houghton, Johnston, Keith,
STATE OF WASHINGTON.

Those voting for W. A. Newell were: Conine.
Those voting for Hon. Watson C. Squire were: Likins and Merrifield—2.
Those voting for L. E. Rader were: Baker S. W., Davis, Jory, Phelps, Smith C., and Smith H. D.—6.
Those voting for Hon. J. W. Range were: Plummer.
Those voting for Hon. Chas. E. Cline were: Canutt, Couch, Hooper, Houghton, Lindstrom, Mohundro, Parker, Richmond, Hargrave, Tobiassen, Warner, Witt, and Lusher—13.
Those voting for N. G. Caton were: Gerry.
Representative F. R. Baker voted for A. McCready.
Those voting for Richard Winsor were: Caywood, Hansen, Hicks, Miller T. J., Pierson, Way, Wilkeson, Windust, and Winsor—9.
Representative Land voted for W. R. Andrews.
Representative Nelson voted for Louis Foss.
Hon. C. E. Cline voted for G. W. Witt.
Representative Reinhart voted for G. W. Westcott.
No person having received a majority of all the votes cast on joint ballot, the president instructed the clerk to again call the roll.

SECOND JOINT BALLOT.

On the second ballot, Clark Davis received eleven votes of senators and representatives.
Twelve senators and representatives voted for Hon. Thurston Daniels.
Nineteen senators and representatives voted for George Turner.
One representative voted for W. A. Newell.
Two representatives voted for Hon. Watson C. Squires.
Seven senators and representatives voted for F. R. Baker.
Five senators and representatives voted for L. E. Rader.
One senator voted for Hon. J. W. Range.
Thirteen senators and representatives voted for Hon. Chas. E. Cline.
Twenty-six senators and representatives voted for A. A. Denny.
Nine senators and representatives voted for Richard Winsor.
One representative voted for W. R. Andrews.
One representative voted for Louis Foss.
One representative voted for G. W. Witt.
One representative voted for J. A. Davis.
One representative voted for John Smith.
Those voting for Clark Davis, on the second joint ballot, were: Carr, Day, Edwards J. O., Gerry, Gilkey, Hodgdon, Koehler, Mitchell, Range, Smith H. D., and Yeend—11.
Those voting for Hon. Thurston Daniels were: Bush C. P., Crow, Edwards J. M., Field, Freeman, High, Hill, Mathiot, Miller, Moore, Runner, and Van Patten—12.
Representative Conine voted for W. A. Newell.
Those voting for Watson C. Squire were: Likins and Merrifield—2.
Those voting for Frank R. Baker were: Cole, Davis, de Mattos, Forbes, Kincaid, Ross, and Smith P. M.—7.
Those voting for L. E. Rader were: Baker S. W., Jory, Phelps, Reinhart, and Smith C.—5.
Senator Plummer voted for J. W. Range.
Those voting for Chas. E. Cline were: Bush C. P., Couch, Hargrave, Hooper, Irvin, Lindstrom, Lusher, Mohundro, Parker, Richmond, Tobiassen, Warner, and Witt—13.
Those voting for Richard Winsor were: Caywood, Hansen, Hicks, Miller T. J., Pierson, Way, Wilkeson, Windust, and Winsor—9.
Representative Land voted for W. R. Andrews.
Representative Nelson voted for Louis Foss.
Representative F. R. Baker voted for J. A. Davis.
Senator Taylor voted for John Smith.

There being no choice, the presiding officer ordered the clerk to call the roll on the

THIRD JOINT BALLOT.

Clark Davis received nine votes.
Thurston Daniels received twelve votes.
George Turner received twenty-one votes.
Watson C. Squire received two votes.
Frank R. Baker received five votes.
L. E. Rader received four votes.
C. E. Cline received fifteen votes.
A. A. Denny received twenty-six votes.
Richard Winsor received nine votes.
W. R. Andrews received two votes.
Lewis Foss received one vote.
G. W. Witt received one vote.
J. A. Davis received one vote.
John R. Rogers received one vote.
M. M. Godman received two votes.

Those voting for Clark Davis were: Carr, Day, Gilkey, Hodgdon, Koehler, Mathiot, Mitchell, Range, and Yeend—9.


Those voting for Watson C. Squire were: Likins and Meredith—2.

Those voting for Frank R. Baker were: Forbes, Hicks, Kincaid, Ross, and Smith P. M.—5.

Those voting for L. E. Rader were: Baker S. W., Jory, Phelps, Smith C.—4.

Those voting for Chas. E. Cline were: Canutt, Conine, Couch, Hooper, Irvin, Lindstrom, Lusher, Mohundro, Parker, Richmond, Smith H. D., Hargrave, Tobiassen, Warner, and Witt—15.

Those voting for A. A. Denny were: Ames, Baker G. H., Bar-
Those voting for Winsor were: Caywood, Gerry, Miller T. J., Pierson, Reinhart, Way, Wilkeson, Windust, and Winsor—9.

Those voting for W. R. Andrews were: Land and Plummer—2.

Representative Nelson voted for Louis Foss.

Speaker Cline voted for Mr. Witt.

Representative Baker voted for J. A. Davis.

Representative de Mattos voted for John R. Rogers.

Those voting for M. M. Godman were: Miller David and Taylor—2.

The presiding officer declared there was no choice.

On motion of Mr. de Mattos, the joint session adjourned at 1:10 o'clock p. m.

On motion of Mr. Kittinger, the House adjourned at 1:15 o'clock p. m., to meet again at 2:30 o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House convened at 2:30 o'clock p. m.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

A quorum being present, business was resumed.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were read the first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees:

House bill No. 159, by Mr. Guie: An act prescribing the manner in which execution against real estate under decree of foreclosure of mortgage or judgment may be stayed.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 160, by Mr. Guie: An act to provide for the examination of hostile and unwilling witnesses.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

The House, by direction of the speaker, took a recess at 2:40 o'clock p. m. to 3:55 o'clock p. m.

After recess.
STATE OF WASHINGTON.

The report of the Committee on Mileage and Contingent Expenses was taken up for consideration.

There being no objections to the report, and the vote being ordered on its adoption, the report was adopted unanimously.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE AND CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Mileage and Contingent Expenses, beg leave to report the following number of miles traveled and the amount due each member as mileage in coming to and going from this session of the legislature, and recommend that the same be allowed:

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Respectfully submitted.

J. G. Fritz, Chairman.
L. Lindstrom.
J. Parker.
W. B. Seymore.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENGROSSED AND ENROLLED BILLS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 20, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred House bill No. 23, entitled "An act making an appropriation to continue the operation of the state salmon hatcheries," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives as properly enrolled, and the same is returned herewith.

Respectfully submitted.

H. D. Jory, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

Miles T. Hooper.
A. T. Tobiassen.
Geo. B. Kittinger.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 20, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 54, entitled "An act to appropriate two thousand five hundred dollars, or so much thereof as may be
necessary, to repair damages caused by boiler explosion at the Eastern Washington hospital for the insane:"
   And the same is herewith transmitted.

   DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary of State.

The speaker announced in open session that he had signed House bill No. 23, an act making an appropriation to continue the operation of the state salmon hatcheries.

The report of committee on arrangement of time of committee meetings was read, and its adoption moved by Mr. Witt.

On vote, the report was adopted.

Resolution of Mr. Phelps, to have 250 printed forms of reports, was taken up for consideration.

Moved by Mr. Kittinger to amend to enclose this report in rules' report, and have all printed in one book.

The motion carried.

On motion, the resolution as amended was carried.

FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS.

Senate bill No. 54, by Senator Houghton: An act to appropriate $2,500, or as much thereof as shall be necessary to repair damages caused by boiler explosion at the Eastern Washington hospital for the insane.

Referred to Committee on Hospitals for the Insane.

Mr. Kittinger moved that the sergeant-at-arms be instructed to have two ventilators placed in the west side of the building.

The motion was carried.

On motion of Mr. Richmond, the House adjourned at 4:40 o'clock P. M.

CHAS. E. CLINE, Speaker.

S. P. CARUSI, Chief Clerk.

ELEVENTH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, Thursday, January 21, 1897.
10 o'clock P. M.

The House was called to order at 10 o'clock A. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.
Rev. A. G. Sawin, pastor of the Baptist Church, offered prayer. The roll was called; all members answering to their names. The minutes of the preceding day were read, corrected and approved. The speaker announced the following committee appointments:

STANDING COMMITTEE ON BANKS AND BANKING.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.
House bill No. 161, by Mr. Windust: A bill to amend section 3321, chapter 227, relating to the time of performing labor on public highways in the State of Washington. Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

House bill No. 162, by Mr. A. S. Bush: An act to secure to the public the continued use of natural oyster beds. Referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

House bill No. 163, by Mr. Land: An act defining false pretenses, and prescribing the punishment. Referred to Committee on Banks and Banking.

House bill No. 164, by Mr. Koehler: An act for the protection of life and property against loss or damage from steam boilers and steam machinery operated by incompetent persons. Referred to Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics.

House bill No. 165, by Mr. Ames: An act to amend section 42 of an act entitled “An act to provide for state grain weighing and grading, and creating the office of state grain inspector, establishing a state grain commission, and making an appropriation of $2,000,” approved March 19, 1895. Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

House bill No. 166, by Mr. Johnston: An act to amend section 809 of the first volume of Hill’s Annotated Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington, by authorizing the establishment of kindergarten schools. Referred to Committee on Education.

House bill No. 167, by Mr. Stafford: An act fixing and regulating maximum railroad passenger and freight rates in the State of Washington, prohibiting discrimination by railway common car-
riers against persons, firms, companies, corporations and localities, in the matter of such rates, and of facilities for shipment, and providing for the due enforcement and observance of the rates so fixed, and of the regulations and prohibitions before referred to, and providing a method of determining the reasonableness of such rates and regulations, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

House bill No. 168, by Mr. Jory: An act to provide a more just and effective mode of assessment and taxation of credits and other taxable property in the State of Washington.

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

The speaker presented a petition from the Eastern Washington M. E. conference, relating to the holding of religious services in the state penitentiary, which was read.

Referred to Committee on Penitentiary.

Mr. Stuhrman presented a petition from citizens of Pierce county, relating to employment of non-resident citizens in public institutions of the State of Washington.

Referred to Committee on State Buildings, Public Grounds and Libraries.

By request of Mr. Roberts, House bill No. 142 was taken from the Committee on Education, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Gilkey, House bill No. 157 was read the third time, and placed on final passage.

Mr. Powell moved the previous question, which was sustained by vote of ayes 56, noes 9.

On vote, the bill failed to pass. Ayes 28, noes 45, absent or not voting 5.


MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

STATE OF WASHINGTON, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.
OLYMPIA, January 21, 1897.

To the Honorable Speaker of the House of Representatives, State of Washington:

SIR— I herewith transmit to the House of Representatives communications from Robert Bridges, commissioner of public lands, accompanied by a legal opinion from the attorney general.

The funds appropriated two years ago for clerical and engineering work in the land department were exhausted, except 82 cents, before the new commissioner assumed his official duties.

I recommend that such legislative action be taken as will enable him to perform the duties required by law.

Very respectfully,

JOHN R. ROGERS, Governor.

The accompanying report of the land commissioner was read, and referred to Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. F. R. Baker moved to suspend the rules and take up House bill No. 47 for consideration.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Geraghty moved to take a recess until 11:45 o’clock A. M.

On vote, the motion was carried.

After recess.

The Committee on Mileage and Contingent Expenses reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE AND CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, January 20, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Mileage and Contingent Expenses, to whom was referred expense bill of Fred Z. Alexander, have audited the account and report the same back to the House of Representatives with the recommendation that it be allowed.

Your committee has also had the following contingent expenses under consideration and recommend that they be allowed: To Dr. L. M. Sims,
expenses, $75.00; Charles Storrs, janitor work two days and payment for two jail locks, $6.20.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur:

J. G. Fritz, Chairman.
J. Parker.
Lewis Lindstrom.
R. W. Caywood.
W. B. Seymour.

On motion, the report was adopted as read.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL ELECTIONS.

To the Honorable House of Representatives:

GENTLEMEN — We, your Committee on Special Elections, beg leave to submit that our shorthand reporter receive the sum of $56 on account, for the valuable services she has rendered in our committee.

Cleveland Smith.
George M. Witt.
C. A. Mentzer.
Geo. B. Kittinger.
F. I. Phelps.
E. L. Koehler.
S. W. Baker.

On motion of Mr. C. Smith, the report was adopted.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, January 21, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 1, entitled "An act appropriating the sum of fifty thousand dollars for the payment of the salaries of members and employees and other expenses of this session of the legislature," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, January 21, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 2, entitled "An act directing the state treasurer to invest certain moneys in the tide land fund in general warrants, and declaring an emergency," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

JOINT SESSION.

The president pro tem. of the Senate called the joint session to order at 12 o'clock noon.

The joint roll was called; all members being present, except Mr. Gilkey, who was excused.
The secretary of the Senate commenced the reading of the journal of the joint session of yesterday.

On motion, the reading was suspended, and the minutes approved as if read.

The presiding officer announced that there was no election of United States senator at last joint session, and instructed the clerk to call the roll for the

FOURTH JOINT BALLOT.

Clark Davis received seven votes.
Thurston Daniels received fourteen votes.
George Turner received twenty-four votes.
Chas. E. Cline received ten votes.
Richard Winsor received seven votes.
Watson C. Squire received three votes.
F. R. Baker received six votes.
L. E. Rader received three votes.
A. A. Denny received twenty-six votes.
W. R. Andrews received one vote.
Geo. M. Witt received one vote.
J. H. Ross received one vote.
Jas. T. Brown received four votes.
Wm. Newell received one vote.
J. C. Stallcup received one vote.
Ahira Manring received one vote.
Those voting for Clark Davis were: Carr, Day, Hodgdon, Koehler, Mitchell, Range, and Van Patten — 7.
Those voting for Thurston Daniels were: Bush C. P., Crow, de Mattos, Field, Freeman, High, Hill, Miller David, Miller T. J., Moore, Parker, Runner, Reinhart, and Yeend — 14.
Those voting for Chas. E. Cline were: Couch, Hargrave, Irvin, Lindstrom, Lusher, Mohundro, Richmond, Tobiassen, Windust, and Witt — 10.
Those voting for Watson C. Squire were: Likins, Merrifield, and Williams — 3.
Those voting for Richard Winsor were: Caywood, Edwards J. O., Gerry, Hicks, Pierson, Way, and Winsor — 7.


Those voting for L. E. Rader were: Baker S. W., Jory, and Phelps — 3.


Paul Land voted for W. R. Andrews.

Those voting for J. T. Brown were: Canutt, Hooper, Smith H. D., and Wilkeson — 4.

Mr. Conine voted for Wm. Newell.
Mr. Forbes voted for J. C. Stallcup.
Smith C. voted for Mr. Manring.

There being no choice, the clerk was ordered to call the roll for the

FIFTH JOINT BALLOT.

Clark Davis received six votes.
Thurston Daniels received fourteen votes.
Geo. Turner received twenty-three votes.
Chas. E. Cline received thirteen votes.
Richard Winsor received seven votes.
Watson C. Squire received four votes.
F. R. Baker received five votes.
L. E. Rader received three votes.
A. A. Denny received twenty-four votes.
W. R. Andrews received one vote.
G. M. Witt received one vote.
J. H. Ross received one vote.
J. T. Brown received four votes.
J. C. Stallcup received one vote.
J. C. Van Patten received one vote.
W. H. Plummer received one vote.

Those voting for Clark Davis were: Carr, Day, Hodgdon, Hooper, Mitchell, and Range — 6.
Those voting for Thurston Daniels were: Bush C. P., Crow, de Mattos, Field, Freeman, High, Hill, Koehler, Miller David, Miller J. T., Moore, Runner, Taylor, and Yeend—14.


Those voting for C. E. Cline were: Conine, Couch, Hargrave, Irvin, Lindstrom, Lusher, Mohundro, Parker, Reinhart, Richmond, Tobiassen, Windust, and Witt—13.

Those voting for Richard Winsor were: Caywood, Edwards J. O., Gerry, Hicks, Pierson, Way, and Winsor—7.

Those voting for Watson C. Squire were: Kincaid, Likins, Merrifield, and Williams—4.


Those voting for L. E. Rader were: Baker S. W., Jory, and Phelps—3.


Mr. Land voted for W. R. Andrews.

Mr. Cline voted for G. M. Witt.


Those voting for J. T. Brown were: Canutt, Smith C., Smith H. D., and Wilkeson—4.

Mr. Forbes voted for J. C. Stallcup.

Mr. Plummer voted for J. C. Van Patten.

Mr. Van Patten voted for W. H. Plummer.

Mr. Warner moved to adjourn the joint session.

On vote, the motion was lost. Ayes 39, noes 71, absent or not voting 2.


Absent or not voting: Gilkey and Megler — 2.

There being no choice, the clerk was instructed to call the roll on the SIXTH JOINT BALLOT.

Clark Davis received four votes.
Thurston Daniels received fourteen votes.
Geo. Turner received twenty-four votes.
C. E. Cline received sixteen votes.
Richard Winsor received nine votes.
Watson C. Squire received four votes.
F. R. Baker received three votes.
L. E. Rader received four votes.
A. A. Denny received twenty-four votes.
W. R. Andrews received two votes.
G. M. Witt received one vote.
L. E. Crow received one vote.
H. L. Forrest received four votes.

Those voting for Clark Davis were: Carr, Day, Hodgdon, and Yeend—4.

Those voting for Thurston Daniels were: Bush C. P., Cole, Crow, de Mattos, Field, High, Hill, Koehler, Miller, David, Runner, Hargrave, Taylor, and Van Patten—14.


Those voting for Chas. E. Cline were: Conine, Couch, Edwards


Those voting for Watson C. Squire were: Kincaid, Likins, Merrifield, and Williams—4.

Those voting for Frank R. Baker were: Forbes, Ross, and Smith P. M.—3.

Those voting for L. E. Rader were: Baker S. W., Jory, Phelps, and Plummer—4.


Those voting for W. R. Andrews were: Land and Reinhart—2.

C. E. Cline voted for G. M. Witt.

F. R. Baker voted for L. C. Crow.

Those voting for H. L. Forrest were: Canutt, Lindstrom, Smith C., and Smith H. D.—4.

On motion of Mr. Way, the joint session adjourned at 1:10 o'clock P. M.

The House was called to order by Speaker Cline.

Mr. Phelps moved to adjourn to 3 o'clock P. M.

Mr. Kittinger moved to amend to read 10 o'clock A. M., tomorrow.

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

On vote, the motion as amended was carried.

The House adjourned at 1:15 o'clock P. M.

Chas. E. Cline, Speaker.

S. P. Carusi, Chief Clerk.
TWELFTH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, Friday, January 22, 1897.

The House was called to order by Speaker Cline, pursuant to adjournment.

The Rev. J. L. Thompson, of the Presbyterian Church, offered prayer.

The roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names except Messrs. Conine and Gilkey, excused.

The journal of the preceding session was read and approved.

A petition was presented by the Speaker from David Berg et al., of Whatcom county, in relation to bonds required before the sale of nursery stock; and also a petition from Mr. Melvin G. Winstock, of Seattle, praying for the abolition of capital punishment; both of which petitions were referred to appropriate committees.

House bill No. 61 was reported back from committee, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Senate joint resolution No. 1 was reported back from committees, with the recommendation that it be favorably considered.

House bill No. 48 was reported back from committee that it do not pass.

House bill No. 4 was reported back from committee that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 26 was reported back from the committee that it do pass.

House bill No. 45 was reported back from the committee that it do pass.

House bill No. 47 was reported back from the committee that it do pass.

House bill No. 72, was reported back from the committee that it do pass.

House bill No. 1, was reported back from the committee that it do pass as amended.
House bill No. 30, was reported back from the committee that it do pass.

House bill No. 31, reported back from the committee that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 49, reported back from the committee that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 37, reported back from the committee that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 36 — majority report — reported back from the committee that it be indefinitely postponed.

Minority report on H. B. No. 36, reported back that it do pass.

House bill No. 17, reported back by the committee that it be taken from committee on judiciary and referred to Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.

House bill No. 27, reported back from the committee that it do pass as amended.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, ordered printed and referred to appropriate committees:

House bill No. 169, by Mr. de Mattos: An act to prescribe the mode of appeal and what the transcript shall contain in all equity cases.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 170, by Mr. de Mattos: An act providing for the appointment, compensation and duties of court stenographers.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 171, by Mr. de Mattos: An act to amend an act entitled "An act in relation to the fees of state and county officers, witnesses and jurors, and amending section 2086 of the Code of Washington of 1881," approved March 15, 1893.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 172, by Mr. Mohundro: An act to provide for the removal and permanent location of the seat of government of the State of Washington, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to the Committee on State Capitol, Public Buildings and Grounds.

House bill No. 173, by Mr. Phelps: An act providing for the removal of certain obstructions in the Colville river, Stevens county, and making an appropriation therefor.

Referred to the Committee on Harbors and Waterways.
House bill No. 174, by Mr. Ames: An act defining and punishing the crime of picking pockets and larceny from the person. Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 175, by Mr. Hicks: An act providing for the establishment of a fish hatchery upon the Skokomish river, in Mason county, and making an appropriation therefor, and for other purposes. Referred to the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

House bill No. 176, by Mr. H. D. Smith: An act to prohibit any state or county or municipal or precinct officer elected or appointed to such office in the State of Washington, from accepting or using a pass to ride over or on any line of railroad or other transportation company, and to prohibit any state or county or municipal or precinct officer elected or appointed to such office in this state, from purchasing transportation from any person or from any officer or agent or employe of any railroad or other transportation company to ride on or over its line of road or transportation, at a less rate than the same may be purchased by the general public, and to prohibit any person or any officer or agent or employe of any railroad or other transportation company from issuing or tendering the issuance of, or giving or selling to any state or county or municipal or precinct officer elected or appointed to any such office in this state, a pass to ride on or over the line of any railroad or other transportation company, and to prohibit any person or any officer or agent or employe of any railroad or transportation company from selling or giving or issuing to any state or county or municipal or precinct officer elected or appointed in this state, any transportation over its railroad or line of transportation at a less rate than the same may be purchased by the general public, and providing for the punishment of any person or persons, by a fine or imprisonment, or both such fine and imprisonment, for the violation of any of the provisions of this act, and providing for the payment of a part of the fine imposed for a violation of this act, to the informers against persons violating this act, and declaring an emergency. Referred to Committee on Public Morals.

House bill No. 177, by Mr. Cleveland Smith: An act to supply the code to justices of the peace and making an appropriation therefor. Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 178, by Mr. Cleveland Smith: An act in relation to
the use or issue of free passes by or to public officials, providing penalties, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee Public Morals.

House bill No. 179, by Mr. McAtee: An act for the protection of fish in stocked lakes.

Referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

House memorial No. 4, relating to memorial to congress for appropriating funds for construction of an electric railroad across the continent.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRINTING AND SUPPLIES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 21, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Printing and Supplies, to whom was referred House bill No. 61, entitled “An act to provide for the immediate publication of the Laws of the State of Washington enacted during the regular session of 1897, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency,” have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

W. B. ROBERTS, Chairman.

F. I. PHELPS.

THOMAS WINSOR.

JAS. HUGH ROSS.

W. B. SEYMORE.

JOHN H. POWELL.

We concur in this report:

THOMAS WINSOR.

JAS. HUGH ROSS.

W. B. SEYMORE.

JOHN H. POWELL.

On motion of Mr. Warner, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 21, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Education, to whom was referred House bill No. 72, entitled “An act to prohibit the manufacture, sale, purchase or gift of cigarettes, cigarette paper or cigarette wrapper and providing a penalty therefor,” have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

D. R. LUSHER, Chairman.

LEWIS LINDSTROM.

B. W. CAYWOOD.

JAS. HUGH ROSS.

J. PARKER.

A. S. BUSH.

V. R. PIERSON.

A. W. STUHRMAN.

G. N. HODGDON.

We concur in this report:
Mr. Williams moved to amend by adding an emergency clause. On motion the amendment was adopted. On vote the report was adopted as amended.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PENITENTIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 19, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Penitentiary, to whom was referred Senate concurrent resolution No. 1, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be acted on adversely, for the reason that House concurrent resolution No. 3, on the same subject, was before the Committee and reported on favorably by your Committee prior to the receipt of this resolution.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

A. D. WARNER, Chairman.

GEO. WINDUST.

W. B. ROBERTS.

G. B. RICHMOND.

W. L. FREEMAN.

J. C. MERRIFIELD.

J. PARKER.

J. C. CONINE.

R. W. CAYWOOD.

J. O. EDWARDS.

On motion the report was adopted and Senate concurrent resolution No. 1 was indefinitely postponed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 21, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Education, to whom was referred House bill No. 48, entitled "An act providing that the boards of directors of school districts shall make arrangements for the proper heating, cleaning and ventilating of school rooms," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do not pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

D. R. LUSHER, Chairman.

LEWIS LINDSTROM.

R. W. CAYWOOD.

JAS. HUGH ROSS.

J. PARKER.

B. S. SCOTT.

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On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill was indefinitely
postponed.
REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 20, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill
No. 4, entitled "An act providing for the removal of civil officers otherwise than by impeachment," have had the same under consideration, and
we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives,
with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.
Respectfully submitted.
J.M. GERAGHTY, Acting Chairman.
I concur in this report:
W. B. ROBERTS.
On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the report was adopted, and the
bill indefinitely postponed.
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 20, 1897.
MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill
No. 26, entitled "An act to provide for the platting of real estate by the
personal representatives of decedents," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of
Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows:
In line 4 of section 2 of print~d bill, strike out the word "two" and insert in lieu thereof the word "four," and as so amended that the same do
pass.
Respectfully submitted.
J.M. GERAGHTY, Acting Chairman.
I concur in this report:
W. B. ROBERTS.

On motion the committee's amendment was adopted.
Mr. Williams moved to amend line 3, section 3, printed bill, by
striking out the words '' from and after its passage and approval''
and inserting in lieu thereof the word "immediately."
The amendment was adopted.
The report of the committee was adopted as amended, and the
bill ordered engrossed and passed to third reading.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 20, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill
No. 45, entitled "An act relating to the issuance, service and return of
process and the complaint and notice issued by justices of the peace,


and to provide for the service and return of summons and of complaint and notice issued by justices of the peace by persons other than sheriffs and constables," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.  J. M. Geraghty, Acting Chairman.

Mr. Johnston moved to amend to strike out the word "and," in line six, of printed bill, and insert in lieu thereof the word "or."

On vote, the amendment was lost.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill passed to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 20, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 47, entitled "An act fixing and prescribing the liabilities of companies and corporations operating railways within the State of Washington for negligence or wrongs of employes, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.  J. M. Geraghty, Acting Chairman.

On vote, the report was adopted.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third reading, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 72, noes 1, absent or not voting 5.


Noes: Mr. Marshall.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Conine, Gilkey, Kittinger, Levin, and Struve—5.
On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the clerk was instructed to cast the same vote on the emergency clause.


Noes: Mr. Marshall.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Conine, Gilkey, Kittinger, Levin, and Struve—5.

The bill passed.
The emergency clause passed.
There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

In open session, the speaker gave notice that he had signed House bill No. 23, and Senate bills No. 1 and No. 2.

JOINT SESSION.
The president of the Senate called the joint session to order at 12 o’clock noon.

Senator Dorr was called to the chair.
The joint rolls were called, all the members being present except Messrs. Lesh, Conine, and Gilkey, excused.
The journal of the joint session was read and approved.
The roll was called on the

SEVENTH JOINT BALLOT.

F. R. Baker received three votes.
Chas. E. Cline received thirteen votes.
Clark Davis received fourteen votes.
Thurston Daniels received eleven votes.
A. A. Denny received twenty-five votes.
L. E. Rader received three votes.
Watson C. Squire received four votes.
George Turner received twenty-one votes.
Richard Windsor received twelve votes.
A. P. Tugwell received one vote.
John R. Rogers received one vote.
Ed. Taylor received one vote.

Those voting for F. R. Baker were: Hargrave, Jory, and Smith P. M.—3.

Those voting for Chas. E. Cline were: Canutt, Freeman, Hooper, Irvin, Lindstrom, Lusher, Mohundro, Moore, Smith C., Smith H. D., Tobiassen, Windust, and Witt—13.

Those voting for Clark Davis were: Carr, Couch, Day, Edwards J. M., Hodgdon, Koehler, Mitchell, Parker, Range, Richmond, Ross, Stafford, Yeend, and Mr. Speaker—14.

Those voting for Thurston Daniels were: Bush C. P., Cole, Crow, Field, High, Hill, Mathiot, Miller David, Runner, Taylor, and Van Patten—11.


Those voting for L. E. Rader were: Baker S. W., Caywood, and Phelps—3.

Those voting for Watson C. Squire were: Kincaid, Likins, Merrifield, and Williams—4.


Representative F. R. Baker voted for A. P. Tugwell.
Representative de Mattos voted for John R. Rogers.
Representative Forbes voted for Ed. W. Taylor.
There being no choice, the clerk of the joint session was instructed to call the roll on the

EIGHTH JOINT BALLOT.

By general consent, Mr. Day introduced the following communication:
To the Members of the Legislature, Olympia, Washington:

Gentlemen—Realizing the necessity of this legislature electing, at once, a United States senator, that much needed legislation may be enacted, and such reforms instituted as will bring the people of this state some relief from the burdens under which they are suffering, I hereby withdraw from the senatorial contest.

I am profoundly grateful to the friends who have supported me in my candidacy, and trust they may join with their fellow populists in selecting a man that will represent us in the United States senate, and uphold our principles in the nation.

Sincerely,

Clark Davis.

Eighth Joint Ballot.

F. R. Baker received five votes.
Chas. E. Cline received eighteen votes.
Thurston Daniels received twelve votes.
A. A. Denny received twenty-six votes.
L. E. Rader received four votes.
Watson C. Squire received six votes.
George Turner received twenty-four votes.
Richard Turner received eleven votes.
A. P. Tugwell received one vote.
John R. Rogers received one vote.
Ed. Taylor received one vote.

Those voting for F. R. Baker were: Day, Edwards J. M., Richmond, Ross, and Smith P. M. — 5.

Those voting for Chas. E. Cline were: Canutt, Carr, Caywood, Couch, Freeman, Hooper, Irvin, Jory, Lindstrom, Lusher, Mitchell, Mohundro, Moore, Parker, Smith C., Tobiassen, Windust, and Witt — 18.


Those voting for L. E. Rader were: Baker S. W., Phelps, Wilkeson, and Mr. Speaker — 4.

Those voting for Watson C. Squire were: Hargrave, Kincaid, Koehler, Likins, Merrifield, and Williams — 6.

Those voting for Richard Winsor were: Edwards J. O., Gerry, Hicks, Hills, Land, Miller T. J., Pierson, Range, Reinhart, Way, and Winsor—11.

Representative F. R. Baker voted for A. P. Tugwell.
Representative de Mattos voted for John R. Rogers.
Representative Forbes voted for Ed. Taylor.
There being no choice, the clerk of the joint session was instructed to call the roll on the ninth joint ballot.

Mr. de Mattos moved to adjourn the joint session.

On vote the motion was lost: Ayes 28, noes 80, absent or not voting 4.


Absent or not voting: Conine, Gilkey, Lesh, and Likins—4.

NINTH JOINT BALLOT.

F. R. Baker received four votes.
Chas. E. Cline received seventeen votes.
Thurston Daniels received eighteen votes.
A. A. Denny received twenty-six votes.
L. E. Rader received two votes.
Watson C. Squire received five votes.
George Turner received twenty-four votes.
Richard Winsor received eleven votes.
B. F. Day received one vote.
John R. Rogers received one vote.
Ed. Taylor received one vote.
Those voting for Chas. E. Cline were: Baker S. W., Canutt, Carr, Couch, Freeman, Hodgdon, Hooper, Irvin, Lindstrom, Lusher, Mitchell, Mohundro, Moore, Smith C., Smith H. D., Tobiassen, and Witt—17.
Those voting for Thurston Daniels were: Bush C. P., Caywood, Cole, Crow, Field, Hargrave, High, Jory, Miller David, Parker, Plummer, Range, Richmond, Runner, Taylor, Van Patten, Windust, and Yeend—18.
Those voting for L. E. Rader were: Phelps and Mr. Speaker—2.
Those voting for Watson C. Squire were: Kincaid, Likins, Merrifield, Koehler, and Williams—5.
Representative F. R. Baker voted for B. F. Day.
Representative de Mattos voted for John R. Rogers.
Representative Forbes voted for Ed. Taylor.
On motion of Mr. Williams, the joint session adjourned at 1:15 o'clock p.m.
On motion of Mr. Warner, the House adjourned to 3 o'clock p.m.
AFTERNOON SESSION.

In pursuance to adjournment, the House met at 3 o'clock P. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.
A quorum being present, business was resumed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 21, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 1, entitled "An act to reduce the expense of state and county government, and to abolish certain offices, viz.: The office of the board of trustees of the Eastern Washington hospital for the insane; the office of board of trustees of the Western Washington hospital for the insane; the board of penitentiary directors; the board of trustees of the Washington soldiers' home; the board of regents of the agricultural college, experiment station and school of science of the State of Washington; the board of trustees of the Washington state reform school; the board of trustees of the Washington school for defective youth; the state board of horticulture; the board of state land commissioners; the office of arid land commissioner; the board of state capitol commission; the office of mining inspectors; to reduce the number of superior judges from twenty-one to fifteen; to reduce the number of prosecuting attorneys from thirty-four to twelve; to abolish the office of county auditor," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows:

Respectfully submitted.  J. M. Geraghty, Acting Chairman.

The amendment to strike out section 5, on vote, was lost.
The amendment to strike out section 13, on vote, was adopted.
The amendment to strike out section 14, on vote, was adopted.
The amendment to strike out section 15, on vote, was adopted.
The amendment to strike out line 6 of title of bill, on vote, was lost.
The amendment to strike out lines 15, 16 and 17, on vote, was adopted.
Mr. J. O. Edwards moved to amend by striking out section 12.
The amendment was adopted.
Mr. Couch moved to amend by striking out section 10.
On vote, the amendment was adopted.
Mr. Marshall moved to defer further action on the bill.

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Mr. Baker moved to make the bill a special order for one week from to-day, at 10 o'clock, in committee of the whole. On vote, the motion was carried.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Olympia, Wash., January 20, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 30, entitled "An act to amend section 1439, volume one, of the General Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington, arranged and annotated by William Lair Hill, concerning the recording of deeds and mortgages," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

On motion, the report was adopted.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Olympia, Wash., January 20, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 31, entitled "An act to provide for the record of assignments and satisfactions of judgments, and of transcripts of such assignments and satisfactions," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: In line 2 of section 1, strike out the word "and," and as so amended that the same do pass.

On motion, the report was adopted as amended.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Olympia, Wash., January 20, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 49, entitled "An act providing for the regulation of flouring mills in relation to the maximum rates of toll for custom work, and providing a penalty for the violation of this act," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. J. B. Smith, House bill No. 49 was made a special order for Saturday, January 30, at 10 o'clock A. M.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Olympia, Wash., January 20, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 37, entitled "An act to amend section 1 of an act entitled 'An act to
provide for the punishment of the crime against nature,' and declaring an emergency,’ passed at the legislative session of 1893, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.


On motion, the report was adopted.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 20, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 36, entitled "An act prohibiting divorced persons from contracting marriages with third persons, within the period of two years from the entering of the decree of divorce and during the time in which an appeal from such decree may be pending,” have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.


MINORITY REPORT.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 22, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

A minority of your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 36, entitled "An act prohibiting divorced persons from contracting marriages with third persons, within the period of two years from the entering of the decree of divorce and during the time in which an appeal from such decree may be pending,” have had the same under consideration, and respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted. J. P. DE MATTOS, of Committee.

Mr. de Mattos moved that the minority report be adopted.

On vote, the motion was lost.

On vote, the committee’s report was adopted and the bill indefinitely postponed.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 20, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 17, entitled “An act to amend an act entitled ‘An act to amend section six (6) of an act entitled ‘An act to prescribe the duties and fix the compensation of the reporter of the supreme court,” approved December 20, 1889, and declaring an emergency,’ approved February 26, 1891, and declaring an emergency,” have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be taken from the Judiciary Committee
and referred to the Committee on Compensation of State and County Officers.


I concur in this report:  W. B. ROBERTS.

On motion, the report was adopted.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 20, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 27, entitled "An act to provide for exemptions in cases of assignments for the benefit of creditors," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows:

In line 15 of section 2, strike out the word "his" and insert in lieu thereof the word "its." And as so amended that the same do pass.


I concur in this report:  W. B. ROBERTS.

On vote, the amendment of committee was adopted.

Moved by Mr. Roberts, to amend by striking out part of line 15, all of line 16 and part of line 17, beginning with the word "the," in the 15th line, and ending with the word "exemption," in the 17th line.

Mr. Warner offered as a substitute for the amendment of Mr. Roberts: "The court may, if it appear by satisfactory proof that any claim made for exemption be fraudulent and made in bad faith, deny to the assignor all exemptions."

Mr. Warner moved that the substitute be adopted.

On vote, the substitute was lost.

Mr. Wolf offered as a substitute for Mr. Roberts' amendment as follows: "The court may, if it finds any claim made for exemption be fraudulent and made in bad faith, deny such exemption.

Substitute for Mr. Roberts' amendment, on vote, was lost.

Mr. F. R. Baker moved as a substitute the following amendment: In line 16 strike out the words "to the" and insert the word "such," and in the line 17 the words "assignor all," and change the word "exemptions" to "exemption."

On vote, the substitute was adopted.

On vote, the report was adopted as amended.
MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 22, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed House concurrent resolution No. 10, relating to the appointment of special investigating committee to proceed to Walla Walla and investigate the affairs of that institution, and the same I herewith transmit.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 22, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 75, entitled "An act appropriating money for clerical assistance in the office of the board of state land commissioners," and the same I herewith transmit.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees:

House bill No. 180, by Mr. Pierson: An act to provide for official scaling of logs and timber.

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Manufactures.

House bill No. 181, by Mr. Lusher: An act to amend section 52 of chapter 12 of the laws of 1889-90, entitled "An act to establish a general uniform system of common schools in the State of Washington, and declaring an emergency," approved March 27, 1890, as amended by section 16 of chapter 127 of the laws of 1891, approved March 7, 1891, as amended by section 1 of chapter 68 of the laws of 1890, approved March 14, 1895; also amending sections 80, 81 and 82 of said chapter 12 of the laws of 1889-90; also interpolating section 52 1/2 into said chapter 12 of the laws of 1889-90; also repealing a portion of section 26 of said chapter 12 of the laws of 1889-90.

Referred to Committee on Education.

House bill No. 182, by Mr. Moore: An act providing for the survey and location of a wagon road and public highway from a point at or near Lyle, Klickitat county, State of Washington, from thence westward along the north bank of the Columbia river to a point at or near Washougal, Clarke county, and making an appropriation therefor.

Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

House bill No. 183, by Mr. Scott: An act for the relief of per-
sons contracting to purchase school or granted lands under the acts of the legislature approved March 28, 1890, and March 15, 1893, respectively, and to enable them to recover the value of their improvements upon forfeiture of contract and lease or sale of lands.

Referred to Committee on State, School and Granted Lands.

House bill No. 184, by Mr. Merrifield: An act relating to dairy products, amending sections 2 and 3 of an act approved March 11, 1895, entitled "An act regulating the manufacture of dairy products, to prevent deception or fraud in the sale of the same, or imitations thereof, providing for the appointment of dairy commissioners and defining his duties, creating a state board of dairy commissioners and defining their duties, imposing certain duties upon chemists of state institutions, providing penalties for violations of this law, making an appropriation, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

House bill No. 185, by Mr. Barlow: An act to abolish mileage.

Referred to Committee on Public Morals.

Mr. Williams was called to the chair by Speaker Cline at 4:10 o'clock P. M.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the House adjourned at 1:45 o'clock P. M.

S. P. CARUSI, Chief Clerk.

THIRTEENTH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Washington, Saturday, January 23, 1897,
10 o'clock A. M.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 10 o'clock A. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Rev. A. G. Sawin, of the Baptist Church. The roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names, except Mr. Conine, who was excused.

The journal of the preceding session was read and approved.
On motion of Mr. Phelps, that portion of the journal relating to joint session was ordered not read.

A petition was presented by Mr. Moore, relating to an appropriation for a wagon road in Skamania county.

Read by the clerk, and referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

A petition was presented by Mr. Moore, relating to appropriation for wagon road in Clarke, Skamania and Klickitat counties.

Read by the clerk, and referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

House bill No. 20 was reported back by the committee that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 13 was reported back by the committee that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 10 was reported back by the committee that it be not passed.

Joint resolution No. 8 was reported back by the committee that it be indefinitely postponed.

House concurrent resolution No. 3 was reported back from the committee that it be indefinitely postponed.

House concurrent resolution No. 5 was reported back from the committee that it be indefinitely postponed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 26, entitled “An act to provide for the platting of real estate by the personal representatives of decedents,” has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. H. D. JORY, Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 30, entitled “An act to amend section 1439 of volume 1 of the General Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington, arranged and annotated by William Lair Hill, concerning the recording of deeds and mortgages, has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. H. D. JORY, Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 72, entitled “An act to prohibit
the manufacture, sale, purchase or gift of cigarettes, cigarette paper, or cigarette wrapper, and providing a penalty therefor, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.


MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 27, entitled "An act to provide for exemptions in cases of assignments for the benefit of creditors," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted.            H. D. JORY, Chairman.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees:

House joint resolution No. 13, by Mr. Richmond: Relating to appointment of committee to investigate state institutions in relation to inhuman treatment in their management.

Referred to Committee on Public Morals.

House bill No. 186, by Mr. Way: An act to restore to Eugene Cullittry his full legal rights of citizenship.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 187, by Mr. Way: An act relating to sheriffs and other public officers, providing for justification and approval of sureties on indemnity bonds, and limiting the right of recovery to such bonds, and providing for an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 188, by Mr. Scott: An act to provide for furnishing free text-books and supplies, and providing for payment of the same.

Referred to Committee on Education.

House bill No. 189, by Mr. Scott: An act to determine the qualifications of a county superintendent of common schools.

Referred to Committee on Education.

House bill No. 190, by Mr. Scott: An act relating to teachers' certificates.

Referred to Committee on Education.

House bill No. 191, by Mr. Scott: An act to amend "An act to establish a general uniform system of common schools in the State of Washington, and declaring an emergency," approved March 27, 1890.
Referred to Committee on Education.

House bill No. 192, by Mr. Scott: An act to amend section 52 of chapter 12 of the Laws of 1889-90, entitled "An act to establish a general uniform system of common schools in the State of Washington, and declaring an emergency," approved March 27, 1890, as amended by section 16 of chapter 127 of the Laws of 1891, approved March 7, 1891, and again amended by section 1 of an act approved March 14, 1895.

Referred to Committee on Education.

House bill No. 193, by Mr. Scott: An act to amend an act entitled "An act relating to the indebtedness of school districts," approved March 1, 1895.

Referred to Committee on Education.

House bill No. 194, by Mr. Jory: An act to provide against unjust and unnecessary sacrifice of a debtor's property sold under execution, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 195, by Mr. Tobiassen (by request): An act entitled "An act to amend sections 2570, 2573 and 2574 of volume 1, Hill's Code of the State of Washington, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 22, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 20, entitled "An act to amend section 9 of an act entitled 'An act providing for the organization, classification, and government of municipal corporations, and declaring an emergency,' and approved March 27, 1890, and to declare an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

J. P. de Mattos, Chairman.

W. B. Roberts.

J. C. Merrifield.

C. S. Barlow.

J. L. Likins.

Thos. Winsor.

G. B. Richmond.

D. Levin.

J. G. Fritz.
Mr. Baker moved that the report be not adopted, and that the bill be deferred for special order on Saturday next at 10 o'clock a. m. On vote, the motion was carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 21, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 10, entitled "An act defining the character of liabilities incurred by married men," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be not passed.
Respectfully submitted. J. M. GERAGHTY, Chairman.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill was indefinitely postponed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON PENITENTIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 22, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Penitentiary, to whom was referred joint resolution No. 8, requesting an investigation of the state penitentiary, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.
Respectfully submitted. A. D. WARNER, Chairman.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the resolution indefinitely postponed.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 19, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Penitentiary, to whom was referred concurrent resolution No. 3, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.
Respectfully submitted. A. D. WARNER, Chairman.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the resolution indefinitely postponed.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 19, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Penitentiary, to whom was referred concurrent resolution No. 5, requesting the governor to transmit information regarding penitentiary, have had the same under consideration, and we
refusely report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

A. D. WARNER, Chairman.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the resolution indefinitely postponed.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 31 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

The bill passed by the following vote: Ayes 74, noes 0, absent or not voting 4.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 45 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

The bill was passed by the following vote: Ayes 73, nays 0, absent or not voting 5.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Conine, Day, Hargrave, McAtee, and Richmond.—5.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER.
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 23, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 5, entitled "An act relating to the duration of judgments, and repealing sections 462 and 463, volume 2, Hill's Code of Washington," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

House bill No. 30 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

The bill passed by the following vote: Ayes 70, noes 0, absent or not voting 8.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

By general consent, the following resolution was introduced out of order by Mr. Kincaid:

WHEREAS, The state treasurer has refused to pay any money on the warrants issued by the state auditor in payment of attendance of the members of this House, unless the attorney general first approve said payment: therefore, be it

Resolved, That the honorable speaker of this House appoint a committee of three to immediately proceed to confer with the said attorney general upon this subject, and report the same to this House.
On motion the resolution was adopted, and the speaker appointed as such committee Messrs. Kincaid, Wilkeson and Pierson.

House bill No. 27, by Mr. Guie, was read the third time and placed on final passage.

The bill passed by the following vote: Ayes 75, noes 2, absent or not voting 1.


Absent or not voting: Mr. Conine.

On motion of Mr. Warner, the clerk was instructed to cast the same vote as above for the emergency clause.

The emergency clause passed by the following vote: Ayes 75, noes 2, absent or not voting 1.


Absent or not voting: Mr. Conine.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.
Mr. Roberts moved that when the House adjourn it be until
Monday at 11:30 o'clock A. M.

On vote, the motion was carried.

House bill No. 3 was reported back from the committee with the
recommendation that it be referred to Committee on Municipal
Corporations.

Mr. Hargrave introduced the following resolution, and moved
its adoption:

Be it resolved by the House, That the sergeant-at-arms be instructed to
furnish each member of the House one copy of a daily calendar, which
shall contain, by number and title, bills and resolutions on third reading,
special orders, and all bills and resolutions reported by standing com-
mittees be placed under the heading General Orders, for second reading,
in the same order reported by said committees.

On motion, the resolution was carried.

The following committee report was introduced out of order, by
general consent:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND BRIDGES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 22, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Roads and Bridges, to whom was referred
House bill No. 3, entitled "An act to protect and preserve the rights of
citizens of this state in the use and enjoyment of the streets, avenues,
parkways and highways," have had the same under consideration, and
we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives,
with the recommendation that it be referred to the Committee on Munici-
pal Corporations.

Respectfully submitted. 

F. I. Phelps, Chairman.

On motion, the reference was made as per request of the com-
mittee.

Mr. Roberts moved, that when the House adjourn it be until
11:30 o'clock A. M., on Monday.

The motion carried.

Messrs. Kincaid, Richmond, Baker, Powell, Winsor, Levin and
Libby were excused from Monday's session, and Messrs. Wolf,
Barlow and Edwards from Tuesday's session.

JOINT SESSION.

The Senate and House met in joint session at 12 o'clock P.M., to
continue balloting for United States senator.
Senator Plummer was called to the chair by Lieutenant Governor Daniels.

The rolls were called; all members answering to their names, except Van Patten, absent, and Crow, Davis, Lesh, Warburton and Conine, excused.

Mr. Marshall moved to adjourn after taking the first ballot.

On vote, the motion was lost.

Mr. Roberts moved to suspend the rules, and dispense with reading the joint journal of the previous day.

The motion was carried.

The roll call was ordered on the

**TENTH JOINT BALLOT.**

Chas. E. Cline received thirty-four votes.
Thurston Daniels received six votes.
A. A. Denny received twenty-three votes.
Watson C. Squire received six votes.
George Turner received twenty-four votes.
Richard Winsor received seven votes.
John R. Rogers received one vote.
A. V. Fawcett received one vote.
J. W. Range received one vote.


Those voting for Thurston Daniels were: Bush C. P., Cole, High, Hill, Miller David, and Taylor—6.


Those voting for Watson C. Squire were: Kincaid, Likins, Mathiot, Merrifield, Richmond, and Williams—6.

Those voting for Richard Winsor were: Gerry, Pierson, Plummer, Way, Wilkeson, Winsor, and Yeend—7.
Representative de Mattos voted for John R. Rogers.
Representative Forbes voted for A. V. Fawcett.
Mr. Speaker voted for J. W. Range.
Mr. Marshall moved to adjourn the joint session.
On vote, the motion was lost.
There being no choice, the clerk of the joint session was instructed to call the roll on the

ELEVENTH JOINT BALLOT.

Chas. E. Cline received thirty-six votes.
Thurston Daniels received three votes.
A. A. Denny received twenty-three votes.
Watson C. Squire received six votes.
George Turner received twenty-six votes.
Richard Winsor received four votes.
John R. Rogers received one vote.
A. V. Fawcett received one vote.
H. S. Blandford received three votes.
S. D. Reinhart received one vote.


Those voting for Thurston Daniels were: Cole, High, Plummer—3.


Those voting for Watson C. Squire were: Kincaid, Koehler, Likins, Merrifield, Richmond, Williams—6.


Representative de Mattos voted for John R. Rogers.
Representative Forbes voted for A. V. Fawcett.
Those voting for H. S. Blandford were: Mathiot, Miller David, Yeend—3.

Mr. Speaker voted for S. D. Reinhart.
Mr. Marshall moved that the joint session do now adjourn.
On vote, the motion was lost.
Mr. Williams moved that we take three more ballots, if necessary, before we adjourn.
On vote, the motion was lost.
There being no choice the clerk of the joint session was instructed to call the roll on the

TWELFTH JOINT BALLOT.

F. R. Baker received one vote.
Chas. E. Cline received thirty-seven votes.
Thurston Daniels received three votes.
A. A. Denny received twenty-three votes.
Watson C. Squire received six votes.
George Turner received twenty-seven votes.
Richard Winsor received four votes.
John R. Rogers received one vote.
J. T. Ronald received one vote.
H. S. Blandford received one vote.

Those voting for F. R. Baker were: Mr. Speaker.

Those voting for Thurston Daniels were: Cole, High, and Plummer—3.


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Those voting for Watson C. Squire were: Forbes, Kincaid, Linkins, Merrifield, Richmond, and Williams—6.


Representative de Mattos voted for John R. Rogers.
Representative Koehler voted for J. T. Ronald.
Representative David Miller voted for H. S. Blandford.
Mr. Fritz moved that the joint session do now adjourn.

On vote, by roll call, the motion was lost by the following vote:
Ayes 41, noes 63, absent or not voting 8.


Absent or not voting: Baker S. W., Conine, Crow, Davis, Frink, Lesh, Van Patten, and Warburton—8.

There being no choice, the clerk of the joint session was instructed to call the roll on the

**THIRTEENTH JOINT BALLOT.**

Chas. E. Cline received thirty-seven votes.
Thurston Daniels received three votes.
A. A. Denny received twenty-three votes.
Watson C. Squire received six votes.
George Turner received twenty-seven votes.
Richard Winsor received four votes.
John R. Rogers received one vote.
J. T. Ronald received one vote.
H. S. Blandford received one vote.
J. I. Yeend received one vote.


Those voting for Thurston Daniels were: Cole, High, and Plummer—3.


Those voting for Watson C. Squire were: Forbes, Kincaid, Likins, Merrifield, Richmond, and Williams—6.


Those voting for Richard Winsor were: Pierson, Way, Wilkeson, and Winsor—4.

Representative de Mattos voted for John R. Rogers.
Representative Koehler voted for Mr. Ronald.
Senator David Miller voted for H. S. Blandford.
Mr. Speaker voted for J. I. Yeend.

On motion of Mr. Warner, the joint session adjourned at 1:10 o'clock P. M.

On motion, the House adjourned at 1:12 o'clock P. M. to meet Monday, at 11:30 o'clock A. M.

S. P. Carusi, Chief Clerk. Chas. E. Cline, Speaker.
FIFTEENTH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

House of Representatives,  
Olympia, Washington, Monday, January 25, 1897.  
11:35 o'clock A. M.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House was called to order at 11:35 o'clock A. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

The Rev. C. L. Divin, of the Congregational Church, offered prayer.

The roll was called; all members answering to their names, except Messrs. Baker S. W., and Barlow, excused.

The journal of the preceding session was read, corrected and approved.

On motion of Mr. Roberts, that portion of the journal relating to the joint session was ordered not read.

Mr. Speaker (by request) introduced a petition relating to fishing by nets, etc.

Read by the clerk, and referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. C. P. Bush (by request) presented petitions from the members of the Freemans' Protective Silver Federation Co. No. 23, relating to the powers of courts.

Read by the clerk, and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

A petition was presented by Mr. J. M. Edwards, from the citizens of Pacific county, relative to the abolition of fish traps.

Read by the clerk, and referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

The following resolution was introduced by Mr. Marshall, and its adoption moved.

WHEREAS, It is necessary for the sergeant-at-arms to have assistance in handling and filing bills and in keeping them arranged and distributed; and,

WHEREAS, For the convenience of the members and for the best interests of the state that we should have quick messenger service between the capitol building and the state building: be it

Resolved, That there be employed a messenger to do such service, at a salary of one dollar and fifty cents per day.

On vote, the resolution was lost.
Mr. P. M. Smith moved that the Committee on Commerce and Manufactures be increased to eleven members.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Ross.

On vote, the motion was carried.

The speaker appointed Messrs. P. M. Smith and F. R. Baker as additional members to the Committee on Commerce and Manufactures.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

STATE OF WASHINGTON, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
OLYMPIA, January 23, 1897.

Speaker of the House of Representatives, House Chamber, Olympia, Wash.:

Sir,—The governor has this day approved House bill No. 23, appropriating $1,000 to continue the operation of the state salmon hatcheries.

Very respectfully,

J. E. BALLAINE, Private Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House concurrent resolution No. 10, in relation to an investigation of the state penitentiary at Walla Walla, has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted.

H. D. JORY, Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

JOINT SESSION.

The hour for joint session having arrived, the same was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Daniels at 12 o'clock m.

Senator Plummer was called to the chair.

The rolls were called; all members being present and answering to their names, except Lesh and Warburton, excused, Miller T. J., Baker S. W., Barlow, and Wilson, absent.

On motion, the reading of the journal of the joint session was dispensed with.

Mr. Williams introduced the following resolution, and moved its adoption:

Resolved, That in making up the journal of the joint session the clerk shall omit the list of names of the members voting upon the question of dissolution.

The resolution was ruled out of order.

There being no choice the clerk was ordered to call the roll on the
FOURTEENTH JOINT BALLOT.

Charles E. Cline received thirty-nine votes.
Thurston Daniels received four votes.
A. A. Denny received twenty-two votes.
Watson C. Squire received seven votes.
George Turner received twenty-seven votes.
Richard Winsor received three votes.
John R. Rogers received one vote.
T. J. Miller received one vote.


Those voting for Thurston Daniels were: Cole, Plummer, Taylor, and Yeend—4.


Those voting for Watson C. Squire were: Forbes, Kincaid, Koehler, Likins, Merrifield, Richmond, and Williams—7.


Those voting for Richard Winsor were: Pierson, Wilkeson, and Winsor—3.

Representative de Mattos voted for John R. Rogers.
Mr. Speaker voted for T. J. Miller.

There being no choice, the clerk of the joint session was instructed to call the roll on the

FIFTEENTH JOINT BALLOT.

Charles E. Cline received thirty-six votes.
Thurston Daniels received five votes.
A. A. Denny received twenty-two votes.
Watson C. Squire received seven votes.
George Turner received twenty-eight votes.
Richard Winsor received three votes.
John R. Rogers received one vote.
Robert Gerry received one vote.
J. W. Range received one vote.


Those voting for Thurston Daniels were: Cole, High, Hill, Plummer, and Taylor — 5.


Those voting for Watson C. Squire were: Forbes, Kincaid, Koehler, Likins, Merrifield, Richmond, and Williams — 7.


Those voting for Richard Winsor were: Pierson, Wilkeson, and Winsor — 3.

Representative de Mattos voted for John R. Rogers.
Senator Yeend voted for Robt. Gerry.
Mr. Speaker voted for Senator Range.

On motion of Mr. Williams, the joint session was dissolved at 12:34 o'clock P. M.

On motion of Mr. Williams, the House adjourned at 12:35 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House was called to order by Speaker Cline at 2 o'clock P. M.
A quorum being present, business was resumed.
A petition was presented by Mr. Nelson, relating to the soldiers' home, and the same, being read, was referred to Committee on Military Affairs and Soldiers' Home.

Petitions of O. Coy, and others, relating to the killing of glandered horses by the state veterinary surgeon, and asking reimbursement for same, was read.

Referred to Committee on Claims and Auditing.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

House bill No. 69 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.

Minority report on House bill No. 69 was also reported.

House bill No. 53 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 111 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 153 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 40 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 19 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

The following report of the special committee appointed by the speaker to confer with the attorney general and secure his legal opinion on matters pertaining to warrants, was introduced as follows:

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

To the Honorable House of Representatives:

Mr. Speaker:

Your committee, appointed to confer with the attorney general and secure his legal opinion on matters pertaining to warrants issued to members of this House, submit the following report:

After conferring with the state treasurer we obtained from the attorney general the subjoined opinion covering points at issue. We would further state that members can now secure payment of warrants on presentation.

Respectfully submitted.

J. C. Kincaid, Chairman.

Frank Wilkeson.

V. R. Pierson.
STATE OF WASHINGTON.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

STATE OF WASHINGTON, Office of Attorney General. 
OLYMPIA, January 23, 1897.

Messrs. Pierson, Willkeson and Kincaid, Committee of the House of Repre­sentatives, Olympia, Wash.:

GENTLEMEN — In reply to your oral inquiry whether the state treasurer had requested the opinion of my office as to the validity of the act of the 22d of January, 1897, entitled “An act directing the state treasurer to in­ vest certain moneys in the tide land fund in general warrants, and de­ claring an emergency,” and inquiring also whether I had furnished said opinion, I have the honor to say that the state treasurer, under date of January 22d, 1897, requested my opinion and that I furnished him the same, a copy of which opinion I take pleasure in handing you herewith, together with a copy of the state treasurer's letter.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

PATRICK H. WINSTON, Attorney General.

COMMUNICATION TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL FROM THE HON. C. W. YOUNG (SUBMITTED).

OLYMPIA, WASH., January 22, 1897.

Hon. P. H. Winston, Attorney General of the State of Washington:

DEAR SIR—The legislature has passed and the governor has approved an act instruct­ ing the state treasurer to invest all the money in the tide land fund, and all which may be paid into that fund prior to the first day of January, 1899, in state warrants hereafter drawn on the general fund.

On March 10, 1891, an act was approved providing: “That seventy-five per cent. of the proceeds derived from the sale of tide lands within the limits of any incorporated city or town in the State of Washington, or within one mile on either side thereof, shall be and the same is hereby appropriated and set apart as a special fund by the state treasurer for the construction and maintenance of a system of permanent and substantial improve­ ments in aid of commerce and navigation in and for the harbor of such city or town wherein such tide lands may be sold, and the remaining twenty-five per cent. shall be paid into the general tide land fund of the state.”

This appropriation was further confirmed by the reference to it in the act of 1893, page 389 of the Session Laws of 1893. Most of the money now in the tide land fund has been derived from the sale of lands involved under the terms of the aforesaid act of 1891.

Can money paid into the treasury under the terms of the act of 1891 be alienated for the purchase of general fund warrants without violating article 1 section 10 of the Constitution of the United States?

Is there any legal objection to my compliance with the law just passed by investing in general fund state warrants, first, money now in the tide land fund, and, second, that which may hereafter be paid into that fund?

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. YOUNG, State Treasurer.

COMMUNICATION OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO HON. C. W. YOUNG (SUBMITTED).

OLYMPIA, WASH., January 23, 1897.

Hon. C. W. Young, State Treasurer:

SIR—In reply to your letter of January 22d, wherein you inquire whether “money paid into the treasury under the terms of the act of 1891 can be alienated for the purchase of general fund warrants without violating article 1, section 10 of the Constitution of the United States, and whether there is any legal objection to your compliance with the act just passed by the legislature instructing you to invest all the money of the tide land fund and all which may be paid into that fund prior to the first day of January, 1899, in state warrants hereafter drawn on the general fund?”
I have the honor to say if you refer to an act approved the 22d day of January, 1897, entitled "An act directing the state treasurer to invest certain moneys in the tide land fund in general warrants, and declaring an emergency," there is no question of alienation involved in that act, nor does it violate article 1, section 10 of the Constitution of the United States or any article or section of the Constitution of the United States. It simply directs you to invest certain moneys known as the tide land funds in certain securities, to wit, in general fund warrants of the State of Washington.

When you have performed the duty imposed upon you by this act, the warrants will be impressed with the same trust that the moneys were impressed with which you bought the warrants.

I take the liberty of suggesting that the investments be credited to the several special funds, as provided by the act of March 10, 1891, to which you refer.

Respectfully, PATRICK H. WINSTON, Attorney General.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, ordered printed and referred to appropriate committees.

House bill No. 197, by Mr. Ames: An act to amend section 35 of the Penal Code as compiled in volume 2, Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, defining and punishing the crime of seduction.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 198, by Mr. C. P. Bush: An act to amend section 2573 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington, relating to salary of fish commissioner.

Referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

House bill No. 199, by Mr. A. S. Bush: An act to regulate the powers and compensation of the board of pilot commissioners for the Columbia river.

Referred to Committee on Water, Water Rights and Irrigation.

House bill No. 200, by Mr. Tobiassen: An act to provide for voting on a constitutional amendment at the general election to be held in November, 1898, relating to receiving non-interest bearing state warrants for taxes.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and Constitutional Revision.

House bill No. 201, by Mr. Tobiassen: An act repealing chapter 123 of the laws of 1893, and providing for the establishment of a system of improved roads in counties, and for the manner of laying out, constructing and maintaining the same.

Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

House bill No. 202, by Mr. Hooper: An act to regulate and establish reasonable rates of compensation for carrying passengers on railroads in the State of Washington.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.
House bill No. 203, by Mr. Tobiassen: An act for regulating fish traps, pound nets, gill nets and seines for catching salmon in the waters of Puget Sound and its tributaries; for providing for licensing thereof and the disposition of the funds arising therefrom, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

House bill No. 204, by Mr. Conine: An act to amend section 2506 of volume 1 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, relating to domestic animals running at large.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

House bill No. 205, by Mr. P. M. Smith: An act to establish and to provide for the licensing and government of pilots, and regulating pilotage for the Strait of Juan de Fuca, Puget Sound, and all American waters pertaining thereto.

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Manufactures.

House bill No. 206, by Mr. Struve: An act to amend section 195 of vol. 2, Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, the same being section 83 of the Code of Washington of 1891, relating to answers, and the contents thereof, in civil actions, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 207, by Mr. Williams: An act to create a home for the care of orphans, half-orphans, foundlings, and destitute children, and to provide for its maintenance.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 208, by Mr. Williams: An act relating to jury trials, and prohibiting courts from taking the case from the jury after the trial has commenced.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 209, by Mr. Williams: An act entitled "An act relative to recognizances, stipulations, bonds and undertakings, and to allow certain corporations to be accepted as sureties thereon, and to provide for the payment of the charges of such suretyship on the same as part of the lawful expense of the principal or principals on the same, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Insurance.

House bill No. 210, by Mr. Williams: An act entitled "An act to amend section 28 of the Criminal Code of volume 2 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, defining the crime of rape, and providing a penalty therefor, and declaring an emergency."
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 211, by Mr. Williams: An act entitled "An act providing for general and special verdicts, and for submission of particular questions of fact to be stated in writing and requiring answers to same, and regulating practice in such case."

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 212, by Mr. Williams: An act entitled "An act for the amendment of section 931 of title 12 and chapter 5 of volume 2, Hill's Code, relating to letters testamentary and of administration, and bonds of executors and administrators."

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 213, by Mr. Williams: An act entitled "An act making claims for labor, damages, materials and supplies first and prior liens upon the property and assets of all corporations that may hereafter become insolvent, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 214, by Mr. Pierson: An act entitled "An act providing for the purchase and display of United States flags in connection with the public school buildings of the State of Washington.

Referred to committee on Education.

House bill No. 215, by Mr. Caywood: An act to provide for the payment of the outstanding warrant indebtedness of the general county funds of this state.

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

House bill No. 216, by Mr. Williams: An act to punish the fraudulent giving or exchanging of checks or drafts upon any bank or banks, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 217, by Mr. Williams: An act entitled "An act to protect employees, and guarantee their right to belong to labor organizations."

Referred to Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics.

House bill No. 218, by Mr. Williams: An act entitled "An act defining trusts, and providing the penalty and punishment of corporations, persons, firms, associations, or persons connected with them, and making void all contracts entered into for the purpose, and to promote free competition in the State of Washington, making persons concerned in and violating the act competent witnesses, and declaring an emergency."
Referred to Committee on Corporations other than Municipal.

House bill No. 219, by Mr. Williams: An act entitled "An act permitting cases in the supreme court to be submitted upon typewritten briefs, providing that no costs shall be recovered for any briefs, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 220, by Mr. Williams: An act defining the crime of abduction, prescribing the penalty thereof, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 221, by Mr. Likins: An act to provide for an educational university.

Referred to Committee on Education.

House bill No. 222, by Mr. Irvin: An act to destroy the squirrel pest, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

House bill No. 223, by Mr. Likins: An act for relief of claims on section 16, township 38 north, range 2 E., W. M.

Referred to Committee on Education.

House bill No. 224, by Mr. Way: An act relating to public lands of the state, and entitled "An act to provide for the selection, survey, management, reclamation, lease and disposition of the state, granted, school, tide, oyster and other lands, harbor and areas, and for the confirmation and completion of the several grants to the state by the United States, creating a board of appraisers and a board of harbor line commissioners, as required by articles 15 and 16 of the State Constitution, and for the selection and reclamation of arid lands, which shall be generally known as the board of state land commissioners, defining their duties, and making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on State, School and Granted Lands.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 21, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 13, entitled "An act to amend section 23 of an act, entitled 'An act in relation to garnishments,' approved March 8, 1898," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: In line 2, section 1, insert the words "section 28" between
the words "follows" and "current;" in line 3, section 1, strike out the word "fifty," and insert in lieu thereof the words "one hundred." In line 4, section 1, strike out the phrase "within thirty days next preceding the service of the writ;" in line 7, section 1, strike out the word "fifty," and insert in lieu thereof the words "one hundred," and as so amended that the same do pass.


MR. SPEAKER:

We, a minority of your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 13, entitled "An act to amend section 23 of an act, entitled 'An act in relation to garnishments,' approved March 8, 1893," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted. F. R. BAKER, of Committee.

On motion, the majority report was adopted, and bill ordered engrossed and passed to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 25, 1897.

We, your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 19, entitled "An act to repeal an act to create a warehouse commission, and to regulate grain warehouses and the inspection, weighing and handling of grain, and defining the duties of the warehouse commission in relation thereto," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed, for the reason that there is no such bill on the statute books as the one which it is the intention of this act to repeal.

Respectfully submitted. CLEVELAND SMITH, Chairman.

We concur in this report: LEWIS LINDSTROM.
C. T. IRYIN.
GEO. WINDUST.
F. I. PHELPS.
A. MATHIOT.
G. H. BAKER.
J. O. COUCH.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill indefinitely postponed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 22, 1897.

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 40, entitled "An act relating to instruction to jurors by the judges of
superior courts of the State of Washington, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

Solon T. Williams, Chairman.
F. R. Baker.
H. K. Struve.
E. H. Guie.
J. H. Powell.
W. B. Roberts.
J. M. Geraghty.
W. L. Freeman.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the report was adopted, and the bill indefinitely postponed.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,
Olympia, Wash., January 25, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed a motion to reconsider the vote whereby Senate bill No. 5 was passed, entitled "An act relating to the duration of judgments, and repealing sections 462 and 463, volume 2, Hill's Code of Washington," and transmitted to the House January 23.

The said bill is hereby recalled, by a unanimous vote of the Senate.

Dudley Eshelman, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE.

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Wash., January 25, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 153, entitled "An act making it unlawful to kill or poison honey bees, and making it unlawful to place any poisoned sweetened substance where it is accessible to honey bees, and prescribing the punishment therefor, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass as amended; the said amendment being attached to and made a part of this report, as follows:

The word "more" shall be stricken out on line 6 in section 2 of said bill, and the word "less" inserted in its place, so that said line shall read "than twelve months or by a fine of not less than ten dollars or more than five hundred."

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

Cleveland Smith, Chairman.
Lewis Lindstrom.
C. T. Irvin.
Geo. Windust.
F. I. Phelps.
A. Mathiot.
G. H. Baker.
J. O. Couch.
AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL No. 153.

Amendment by Mr. Powell: That the word "domestic" be inserted before the word "honey" in line 2 of section 1, and before the word "honey" in line 2 of section 2.

On vote, the amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Warner: That the last word "and" in the first line of section 2, be changed to the word "or."

Mr. Warner moved the adoption of the amendment.

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Ross: Amend section 2 by striking out all of line 7 after the word "imprisonment," and all of lines 8 and 9, and make section 3 contain all of that part of section 2 stricken out.

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Mohundro: Strike out the word "sweetened" in the second line of section 2, and also in the third line of section 2.

On vote, the amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Struve: Amend House bill No. 153 by striking out the word "one," in line 2, section 2, and the words "injurious to," and substituting therefor the words "for the purpose of injuring."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Hagadorn: Change the words "five hundred," to the words "one hundred," in line 6.

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Way: Amend by inserting the word "sweet" after the word "poisonous," in line 2; also in line 3, of section 2.

The amendment was lost.

Mr. Warner moved to reconsider the vote by which Mr. Struve's amendment was lost.

On vote, the motion was carried.

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

Mr. Baker moved to recommit the bill.

On vote, the motion was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Hooper: Provided that such sweetened substance shall not be construed to include any substance put out to poison squirrels. Amendment to follow the word "and," in line 4.

On vote, the amendment was lost.
MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 25, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 8, entitled "An act prohibiting advertisement in matters of divorce," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 25, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 111, entitled "An act regulating and making it lawful for any farmer, gardener, or other person, to peddle, sell or deliver, free from all license in any part of the state, and upon any day except Sunday, all fruits, vegetables, or other farm or garden produce, and all other edibles, making all ordinances in conflict void, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass as amended, the said amendments being attached to and made a part of this report, as follows: The words "and upon any day except Sunday," in the second line of the title of said bill, shall be stricken out; (2) that the words "between the hours of 5 A.M. and 6 P.M., and each and every day during the year except Sunday," in lines 5 and 6 in section 1, be stricken out; (3) that the whole of section 2 of said bill be stricken out.

Respectfully submitted.

CLEVELAND SMITH, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

LEWIS LINDSTROM.

C. T. IRVIN.

GEORGE WINDUST.

F. I. PHELPS.

A. MATHIOT.

G. H. BAKER.

J. O. COUCH.

On vote, motion to accept the report of the committee was lost. Mr. Warner moved to refer the bill to the Judiciary Committee. On vote, the motion was lost.

The second reading of the bill was ordered.

Amendment by Mr. Nelson: That the words "by such person," in line 4 of section 1, be stricken out.

On vote, the amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Lindstrom: Strike out the words "and upon any day," in second line of the title of bill.

Amendment ruled out of order.

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Amendment by Mr. Gilkey: That the words "between the hours of 5 A. M. and 6 P. M., and" be stricken out.

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

On vote, the bill was ordered engrossed and passed to third reading.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 22, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 53, entitled "An act to amend sections 1, 2, 3 and 4 of an act entitled 'An act creating and providing for the enforcement of liens for labor and material,' approved February 21, 1893," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

F. R. BAKER.
H. K. STRUVE.
E. H. GUIE.
J. H. POWELL.
W. B. ROBERTS.
W. L. FREEMAN.

Mr. F. R. Baker moved that the reading of the bill be dispensed with and the report be adopted.

The motion carried.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 22, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 69, entitled "An act to fix the fees to be collected by the secretary of state for incorporation and certain other privileges, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives with the recommendation that it be amended as follows:

In line 8 of section 1, strike out the words "ten (10)" and insert in lieu thereof the words "twenty (20)." In line 9 of section 1, strike out the word "ten" and insert in lieu thereof the word "twenty." Strike out the words "Sec. 3." and insert in lieu thereof the words "Sec. 4." Insert between Sec. 2 and Sec. 3 the following: "Sec. 3. All acts and parts of acts in conflict with this act shall be and the same are hereby repealed."

And as so amended that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

F. R. BAKER.
H. K. STRUVE.
E. H. GUIE.
J. H. POWELL.
J. P. DE MATTOS.
STATE OF WASHINGTON.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 22, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, a minority of your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was re­ferred House bill No. 69, entitled "An act to fix the fees to be collected by the secretary of state for incorporation and certain other privileges, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representa­tives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: Strike out the words "Sec. 3," and insert in lieu thereof the words "Sec. 4." Insert between Sec. 2 and Sec. 3 the following: "Sec. 3. All acts and parts of acts in conflict with this act shall be and the same are hereby repealed." And as so amended that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN B. JOHNSTON.

J. M. GERAGHTY.

W. B. ROBERTS.

Mr. de Mattos moved that the majority report be adopted.

Mr. Johnston moved to substitute the minority report for the majority report.

On vote, the motion to substitute the minority report for the majority report was carried.

Mr. Geraghty moved to lay House bill No. 69 on the table.

On vote, the motion was lost: Ayes 30, noes 39, absent or not voting 9.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker S. W., Barlow, Bush C. P., Day, Gerry, Hodgdon, Kittinger, Koehler, and Mr. Speaker—9.

Further consideration of the bill was deferred.

By general consent, the following resolution was introduced and its adoption moved by Mr. Struve:

WHEREAS, It has been the former custom to furnish the speaker with a private secretary; and
WHEREAS, The correspondence and other necessary duties of the speaker has largely increased, and he has been unable to do his own clerical work: therefore, be it

Resolved, That the speaker be instructed to appoint a private secretary at a salary of $3.00 per day.

Mr. Jory moved to lay the resolution on the table.

On vote, the motion was defeated.

On vote, the resolution was lost: Ayes 35, noes 35, absent or not voting 8.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker S. W., Barlow, Day, Kittinger, Koehler, Likins, Richmond, and Smith P. M.—8.

Mr. Lusher introduced the following resolution, and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, The clerks of committees experience much trouble and confusion by having charge of so many different bills, running to so many different committees: therefore, be it

Resolved, That the sergeant-at-arms be instructed by the speaker of the House to furnish to the clerk of each group of committees one file each for House bills, and one file each for Senate bills; or nine sets of files, one set to each of its committee clerks.

Mr. F. R. Baker moved to lay the resolution on the table.

On vote, the motion was carried.

On motion, the House adjourned at 5:17 o’clock P. M.

S. P. Carusi, Chief Clerk.

CHAS. E. CLINE, Speaker.
Pursuant to adjournment, the House was called to order at 10 o'clock A. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Representative Couch.

The roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names except Mr. S. W. Baker.

Mr. Warner moved to dispense with the reading of the journal, and that the same stand approved.

On vote, the motion was lost.

The journal of the preceding day was ordered read.

Mr. Ross moved to dispense with the reading of the joint session minutes.

On vote, the motion was carried.

The journal was read, ordered corrected, and approved.

A petition was presented by Mr. J. M. Edwards, relating to loss in bank deposits, which was read and referred to Committee on Banks and Banking.

A petition was presented by Mr. P. M. Smith (by request), relating to the continuation of the office of dairy commissioner.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

A petition was presented by Mr. A. S. Bush, relating to fish traps and fishing by citizens of Pacific county.

Referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Phelps moved that the sergeant-at-arms be instructed to hire a bill clerk.

Mr. Warner moved, as a substitute, that the night watchman be instructed to do the work.

Motion ruled out of order, because the House had taken positive action on same before.

On vote, the motion was lost.

A petition was presented by Mr. Hargrave, relating to the loss of deposits in banks, and remedy thereof.

Referred to Committee on Banks and Banking.
INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

House bill No. 225, by Mr. J. O. Edwards: An act to establish the number of hours to constitute a day's work on all state, county and municipal work.
Referred to Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics.

House bill No. 226, by Mr. Gerry: An act regulating the disposal of opium and other poisonous drugs.
Referred to Committee on Hygiene and Dentistry.

House bill No. 227, by Mr. Tobiassen: An act to amend section 9 of an act entitled "An act to protect salmon and other food fishes in the State of Washington and upon all waters over which this state has jurisdiction and concurrent jurisdiction," approved February 11, 1890.
Referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

House bill No. 228, by Mr. Merrifield: An act providing for the foreclosure of mortgages.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 229, by Mr. McAtee: An act making it unlawful for any foreign insurance company, firm or corporation or association legally authorized to do business in the State of Washington, to place or cause to be placed insurance on property in the State of Washington in or through offices outside of the State of Washington; requiring the publication of annual statements, prescribing the penalties for the violation thereof, and prescribing the duties and compensations of the secretary of the state in relation thereto.
Referred to Committee on Insurance.

House bill No. 230, by Mr. J. B. Smith: An act to amend sections 3 and 16 of an act entitled "An act relating to the state library, and declaring an emergency," approved March 8, 1893, and declaring an emergency.
Referred to Committee on State Buildings, Public Grounds and Libraries.

House bill No. 231, by Mr. Caywood: An act to amend section 87, Penal Code of Washington, relating to herding and driving sheep upon the lands of another.
Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

House bill No. 232, by Mr. de Mattos: An act establishing a board of pardons and defining its duties, and declaring an emergency.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.
House bill No. 233, by Mr. H. D. Smith: An act in relation to prosecutions for public offenses, in the superior courts of the State of Washington; and providing for compulsory process to compel the attendance of witnesses in behalf of accused persons, in said courts; and providing the number of witnesses that accused may have, compulsory process for, at the cost and expense of the county; and providing the mode of procedure necessary to procure; and when the accused may have compulsory process issued in his behalf at the cost of the county; and amending section 1363 of volume 2 of the General Statutes of the State of Washington, as arranged and annotated by Wm. Lair Hill; and amending section 766 of the Code of Washington of 1881, as amended by section 90 of chapter 28 of the Laws of 1891, entitled “An act in relation to prosecutions of public offenses, and amending section 766, together with other sections of the Code of Washington of 1881,” approved February 24, 1891.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Senate bill No. 8, by Senator Taylor: An act prohibiting advertisements soliciting business, in matters of divorce.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

House bill No. 6 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that a new bill be substituted therefor.

House bill No. 124 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 28 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 57 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 38 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House concurrent resolution No. 14, relating to fisheries investigation committee in Pacific county, was read.

Mr. A. S. Bush moved that the rules be suspended, the second reading considered the third, the resolution considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the motion was lost, and the resolution referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.
REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 153, entitled "An act making it unlawful to kill or poison honey bees, and making it unlawful to place any poisoned sweetened substance where it is accessible to honey bees, and prescribing the punishment therefor, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.
Respectfully submitted. H. D. JORY, Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 13, entitled "An act to amend section 23 of an act entitled 'An act in relation to garnishments,' approved March 8, 1893," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.
Respectfully submitted. H. D. JORY, Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 111, entitled "An act regulating and making it lawful for any farmer, gardener or other person to peddle, sell or deliver, free from all license, in any part of the state, and upon any day except Sunday, all fruits, vegetables, or other farm or garden produce, and all other edibles, making all ordinances in conflict void, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.
Respectfully submitted. H. D. JORY, Chairman.

SECOND READING OF BILLS.

The further consideration of House bill No. 69 was taken up.
On motion, the minority report was adopted.
Amendment by Mr. Warner: Amend as follows: That the words "except mining corporations" be inserted after the word "association," in the first line of section 1.
Mr. Roberts moved to recommit the bill to the Committee on Mines and Mining.
Mr. F. R. Baker moved as a substitute to refer the bill to the Committee on Corporations other than Municipal and Railroads.
The motion was lost.
On vote, the motion to recommit was lost.
On vote, the amendment was lost.
At 11:30 o'clock a. m. Mr. Williams was called to the chair.
Amendment by Mr. Marshall: Insert the words and figures "one
hundred (100) " after the word “every” in line 8; also, insert the word “fifty” between the words “each” and “thousand” in line 9.

On vote, the amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Powell: Insert the words “twenty-five” in lieu of the word “ten” in line 5 of section 1.

On vote, the amendment was lost: Ayes 25, noes 50, absent or not voting 3.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker S. W., Hargrave, and Smith H. D. —3.

Amendment by Mr. Kittinger: In line 8 substitute the word and figure “five (5)” for the word and figures “ten (10).”

Mr. Marshall moved to lay the bill on the table.

On vote, the motion was lost.

On vote, the amendment of Mr. Kittinger was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Jory: Strike out lines 18 and 19 of section 1.

On vote, the amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Kittinger: In line 5 change “ten (10)” to “twenty (20);” in line 8 change “ten (10)” to “five (5).”

Mr. Williams moved for division on amendment.

On vote, the motion was lost.

Mr. Phelps moved to lay the bill over, and make it a special order. The motion was lost.

Mr. Williams moved to consider the bill in committee of whole House at 2 o’clock p. m.

On vote, the motion was lost.

By order of the speaker, further action on the bill was deferred to 2 o’clock p. m.
JOINT SESSION.

The joint session was called to order at 12 o’clock M., by Lieutenant Governor Daniels.

Senator Plummer was called to the chair.

Roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names except Messrs. S. W. Baker and Hargrave.

On motion, the reading of the minutes of the joint session was dispensed with, and the same approved.

The clerk was ordered to call the roll on the SIXTEENTH JOINT BALLOT.

Chas. E. Cline received thirty-nine votes.
Thurston Daniels received two votes.
A. A. Denny received twenty-six votes.
Watson C. Squire received five votes.
George Turner received thirty votes.
Richard Winsor received one vote.
John R. Rogers received three votes.
John W. Maple received three votes.
C. V. Alexander received one vote.


Those voting for Thurston Daniels were: Range and Cline—2.


Those voting for Watson C. Squire were: Forbes, Kincaid, Likins, Richmond, and Williams—5.

Mr. Wilkeson voted for Richard Winsor.
Those voting for John R. Rogers were: de Mattos, Miller T. J., and Mohundro—3.
Those voting for John W. Maple were: Merrifield, Pierson, and Plummer—3.
Senator Reinhart voted for C. V. Alexander.
A resolution by Senator T. J. Miller, was read, as follows:

WHEREAS, The people of the state have a right to demand a speedy settlement of this senatorial question at the hands of this legislature: therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is the sense of this joint convention that the majority party in this legislature should meet in caucus, select an able man to represent this state in the United States senate, elect him, and end a controversy which in a great measure prevents the careful consideration of important questions.

There being no choice, the clerk of the joint session was instructed to call the roll on the

SEVENTEENTH JOINT BALLOT.

Charles E. Cline received forty-two votes.
Thurston Daniels received two votes.
A. A. Denny received twenty-six votes.
Watson C. Squire received five votes.
George Turner received thirty votes.
Richard Winsor received three votes.
J. W. Range received two votes.


Those voting for Thurston Daniels were: High and Range—2.

Those voting for Watson C. Squire were: Forbes, Kincaid, Likins, Merrifield, and Williams—5.

Those voting for Richard Winsor were: Cline, Plummer, and Wilkeson—3.

Those voting for John R. Rogers were: de Mattos and Miller T. J.—2.

On motion of Mr. Williams, the joint session dissolved at 12:40 o'clock P. M.

On motion, the House adjourned at 12:40 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House was called to order at 2 o'clock P. M. by Speaker Cline.

A quorum being present, the further consideration of House bill No. 69 was taken up.

Mr. Williams was called to the chair at 2:20 P. M.

Mr. Phelps moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Mr. Williams moved the previous question.

On vote, the motion was carried.

On vote, the motion to indefinitely postpone was lost.

On vote, the amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Day: In line 18 (printed bill) strike out the first and fifth words.

Mr. Barlow moved to lay the amendment on the table.

On vote, the motion was lost.

On vote, the amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Warner: That section 1 be amended by inserting the words "twenty-five" instead of the word "ten," in the 5th line, and strike out the word "ten" and the figure "10," in the 8th line and insert instead the word "five" and the figure "5."

On vote, the motion was lost.

The bill was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.
MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Public Morals, to whom was referred House bill No. 57, entitled "An act to prevent the practice of wagering on elections," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass with the following amendment to section 1:

By striking out the lines 8, 9, 10 and part of the 11th and 12th, commencing at the word "or" in the 8th line, to the word "he" in the 11th line, and after the word "bet" in the 12th line, and that section 3 be stricken out; and section 4 be known as section 3.

And do pass as amended.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

J. C. CONINE, Chairman.

D. R. LUSHER.

M. T. HOOPER.

H. D. JORY.

HANS HANSEN.

Moved by Mr. Roberts, that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

The motion was lost.

On motion, the bill was referred to Committee on Judiciary.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Public Morals, to whom was referred House bill No. 6, entitled "An act defining the crime of rape, and prescribing punishment therefor, and repealing section 28 of the Penal Code of Washington, as numbered in Hill's Annotated Penal Code of Washington," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that a new bill be substituted, properly numbered, as a substitute for House bill No. 6, which we submit herewith.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

J. C. CONINE, Chairman.

D. R. LUSHER.

H. D. JORY.

HANS HANSEN.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill ordered engrossed and passed to third reading.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Public Morals, to whom was referred House bill No. 124, entitled "An act amending section 1131 of the Code of Washington, 1881, relating to death penalty and designating the manner in
which executions shall take place, and declaring an emergency," have
had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same
back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it
do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

J. C. CONINE, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

D. R. LUSHER.
H. D. JORY.
HANS HANSEN.

On motion, the report was adopted and the bill passed to third
reading.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 23, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Public Morals, to whom was referred House
bill No. 88, entitled "An act to prevent dissection and vivisection in the
schools of Washington, and providing a penalty therefor," have had the
same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to
the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be
amended in the title to read as follows: An act to prevent vivisection
and regulate dissection in the schools of the State of Washington, except
medical and dental schools, or the medical department of any school, and
providing a penalty therefor; and that in line 2 of section 1 of printed
bill, after the word "medical" insert "or dental," and after second word
"medical" in same line insert "or dental.

Respectfully submitted.

J. C. CONINE, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

MILES T. HOOPER.
H. D. JORY.
HANS HANSEN.

On motion, the report was adopted and the bill passed to third
reading.

On motion of Mr. Conine, the bill was read the third time and
placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 74, noes 2, absent or not
voting 2.

A. S., Bush C. P., Canutt, Carr, Caywood, Clapp, Conine, Couch,
Day, de Mattos, Edwards J. M., Edwards J. O., Freeman; Fritz,
Forbes, Guie, Geraghty, Gerry, Gilkey, Hagadorn, Hansen, Har-
grave, Hicks, Hodgdon, Hooper, Irvin, Johnston, Jory, Kincaid,
Koehler, Land, Levin, Libby, Likins, Lindstrom, Lusher, Marshall,
Mathiot, Mentzer, Merrifield, Mitchell, Mohundro, Moore, McAtee,
Nelson, Parker, Phelps, Pierson, Powell, Richmond, Roberts,
Ross, Scott, Seymore, Smith C., Smith H. D., Smith J. B., Smith


Absent or not voting: Mr. Baker S. W., and Mr. Speaker—2.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC MORALS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 23, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Public Morals, to whom was referred House bill No. 28, entitled "An act for the welfare and protection of children," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

J. C. CONINE, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

MILES T. HOOPER.

D. R. LUSHER.

H. D. JORY.

HANS HANSEN.

On motion of Mr. Roberts the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 55, noes 17, absent or not voting 6.


Absent or not voting: Baker S. W., Koehler, Phelps, Roberts, Smith C., and Mr. Speaker—6.

On vote, the emergency clause on House bill No. 28 was defeated: Ayes 51, noes 22, absent or not voting 5.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker G. H., Baker S. W., Roberts, Smith C., and Mr. Speaker—5.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

The speaker gave notice that, in open session of the House, he had signed House concurrent resolution No. 10.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 72 was placed on its final passage.

The previous question was moved by Mr. Pierson, and sustained. On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 64, noes 11, absent or not voting 3.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker S. W., Hargrave, and Mr. Speaker—3.

On vote, the emergency clause was passed: Ayes 56, noes 19, absent or not voting 3.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker F. R., Baker S. W., and Mr. Speaker—3.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 153 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 73, noes 0, absent or not voting 5.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker F. R., Baker S. W., Wilkerson, Wolf, and Mr. Speaker—5.

On vote, the emergency clause was passed: Ayes 59, noes 14, absent or not voting 5.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker F. R., Baker S. W., Pierson, Wilkeson, and Mr. Speaker—5.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

By general consent, the following resolution was introduced out of order by Mr. Phelps:

WHEREAS, It is known beyond doubt that the speaker of the House is in need of a private secretary: therefore, be it

Resolved, That the speaker be authorized to appoint a secretary, at a salary of $2.50 per day.

It was moved to lay the resolution on the table.

The motion was lost.

On vote, the resolution was lost: Ayes 34, noes 39, absent or not voting 5.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker F. R., Baker S. W., Tobiassen, Wilkeson, and Mr. Speaker—5.

Mr. Guie moved to adjourn.

On vote, the motion was carried.

The House adjourned at 4:15 o'clock P.M.

S. P. Carusi, Chief Clerk.

Chas. E. Cline, Speaker.
STATE OF WASHINGTON.

SEVENTEENTH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, Wednesday, January 27, 1897.
10 o'clock A. M.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House was called to order at 10 o'clock A. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

The Rev. J. B. McCallum, of the Christian Church, offered prayer.

The roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names except Mr. S. W. Baker, excused.

The journal of the preceeding day was ordered read and approved, and on motion, the reading of the minutes of the joint session was dispensed with.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 6, entitled "An act prescribing punishment for rape, and for carnal knowledge of any female under eighteen years of age, and repealing section 28 of the Penal Code of Washington, as numbered in Hill's Annotated Penal Code of Washington," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. H. D. Jory, Chairman.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 38, entitled "An act to prevent vivisection and regulate dissection in the schools of the State of Washington, except medical and dental schools, or medical departments of any school, and providing a penalty therefor," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. H. D. Jory, Chairman.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 69, entitled "An act to fix the fees to be collected by the secretary of state for incorporation and certain other privileges, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. H. D. Jory, Chairman.
House bill No. 5 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 62 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 96 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 110 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 114 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Minority report that it do pass.

House bill No. 77 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 94 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 101 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 32 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass.

The special committee on elections made the following report, which was read by the clerk:

MINORITY COMMITTEE REPORT.

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

We, the undersigned, members of your special committee on contests, to whom was referred the election contest of Rader vs. Seymore, from the Thirtieth Representative District, beg leave to respectfully report:

I.

That we find contestant's charges of fraud and intimidation of voters in the precincts of Port Blakeley and Port Gamble, at the last election, to have wholly failed. Contestant has failed to show a single instance wherein any threats or intimidation were used, or in which contestant sustained the loss of a single vote. On the contrary, it appears from the evidence, that the election in those precincts was in every respect lawfully and fairly held.

II.

That contestant's cause of action, as to the three pauper votes, alleged to have been illegal and to have been cast for contestee, has utterly and wholly failed; that said paupers had an undoubted right to change their place of residence while paupers, and to claim and adopt as their residence the precinct where they voted, which they evidently did, as shown by the fact that they registered in said precinct and swore that it was their actual residence. The correct decision and doctrine upon this point
is shown to have been promulgated by the supreme courts of Illinois, Ohio, Oregon and California, and by a committee of the congress of the United States. The California decision is under a constitutional provision in the exact wording of that of the State of Washington. But even if there were doubt upon this point, contestant has signally failed to prove that these persons voted for Contestee Seymore. Witness Anderson swore that he was a member of the precinct election board where these persons voted; that they procured the assistance of one A. F. Baird to make out their ballots, which ballots were as by law required marked on the backs thereof; that he watched the ballots when the vote was counted, and noticed that they were in favor of contestee, and that he therefore knew how they voted. Baird's affidavit was put in evidence, and not disputed, showing that he assisted six persons to make out their ballots in that precinct on election day, all of the same being marked on the outside before being deposited in the ballot box. Contestant made no attempt to account for more than three of those marked ballots; it is therefore utterly impossible that Witness Anderson could have identified out of those six ballots any three as the ballots voted by these persons:

\[III.\]

That A. E. Lundeen's vote was properly rejected by the election board, it having been shown that according to his own answers under oath when his vote was challenged, he had a homestead in another county, that he had been upon said homestead within ninety days of the election, that he still claimed it and intended to claim it as his residence from the date of the beginning of his improvements thereon. That Wm. Barber's vote was properly rejected, it appearing that he had removed with his family to another state, that he had informed several persons at the time of leaving (notably ex-Senator E. L. Brown, who is a reputable and disinterested witness) that he did not intend to return to this state to reside, and that he had not acquired a residence in Kitsap county after having so lost it, prior to election. That the vote of Gare Van Vranken was properly rejected, it appearing by competent disinterested testimony that said Van Vranken had removed from Kitsap county to another county about two years prior to the election, that he had continuously resided outside of Kitsap county during those two years, and that he did not return until about two weeks before the election. That S. J. Dahl's vote was properly rejected, it being shown that he was foreign born, and that under challenge he was unable to produce any naturalization papers or any proof of naturalization. That it has not been shown that T. Brady either voted illegally or that he voted for contestee—this being the claim of contestant. Brady was not put on the witness stand, neither was any affidavit by him put in evidence. The letter purporting to have come from him was not even identified. All the evidence regarding his vote was hearsay, and it would seem that if the facts had been as stated his affidavit to that effect could have been easily procured.
IV.

That contestant wholly failed to prove either that Johnson, Forbes, Lund, Haley, McClintock and Anderson, or any one of them, voted for contestee, or that they or any one of them was not entitled to vote. On the contrary, Witness Blackwell (the only witness who testified about them) swore positively under cross-examination that he did not know for whom they voted.

Other matters of minor importance appear in this case, but inasmuch as the foregoing cover all the material facts in the contest, and as they show conclusively not only that contestant has not proven himself to be entitled to a net gain of at least three votes over the official result (the returns showing contestee to have been elected by two majority) but that they show affirmatively that contestant has wholly and utterly failed to establish any claim whatever to a seat in this body, therefore, we respectfully recommend that W. B. Seymore, contestee herein, be declared to be entitled to retain his seat in this House.

George B. Kittinger.

C. A. Mentzer.

CONTESTEE'S BRIEF.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ELECTION CONTEST, L. E. RADER, CONTESTANT, VS. W. B. SEYMORE, CONTESTEE.

Contestant avers in his petition that in the Port Orchard precinct he was unlawfully deprived of the votes of one Gare Van Vranken and William Barber; also, that in said precinct three illegal votes were cast for contestee, by J. Edwards, J. Kowen and J. Cushing; that in the Olalla precinct contestant was unlawfully deprived of the vote of one J. J. Dahl; that in the Port Washington precinct one T. Brady illegally voted for contestee; that in the Charleston precinct contestant was illegally deprived of the vote of one A. E. Lundeen.

Other charges of fraud were made, all indefinite in character, tending to show intimidation or undue influence upon voters at Port Blakeley and Port Gamble precincts, but were not sustained, and were amply and fully rebutted. The committee sustained contestee's objection to admitting the petition so as to bring Port Gamble precinct into the case, and afterwards admitted evidence referring to said precinct, over contestee's objection. However, contestee produced ample evidence that the election was in all respects legal and free from fraud, intimidation or coercion — particularly at Port Blakeley precinct, which contestant tried specially to attack upon the ground of coercion or intimidation by the mill company there. Neither contestant's pleadings nor any part of his testimony shows a single specific act of intimidation or coercion, or that any threat was made by which contestant lost any vote, in any part of the county; therefore, contestant's brief and authorities cited upon this point are not applicable to the case.

The merits of this contest are wholly involved in the law and the evidence, as applied to the above named persons.
The burden of proof rests upon contestant; and unless he shows by a clear preponderance of evidence that among the persons named above he is fairly entitled to a net gain of at least three votes over the result of the election as shown by the official returns, then his contest must fail—the returns having shown a majority of two votes for contestee.

It is true that in contestant's brief, paragraph 3, a claim is made that "six votes residing on the military reservation, in Charleston precinct, one of which voting for L. E. Rader and the other five for Seymore, were illegal votes and should have been rejected." There is no allegation in the petition referring to these votes, and no issue was raised as to them, and the evidence as to them was inadmissible. Nevertheless, the only reference to them in contestant's testimony was in that of Witness Blackwell, who swore positively that he did not know how they voted. He could only surmise. Contestant wholly failed to show that any one of them voted for either party in this contest. Contestant contends that they were not legal voters, under article 6, section 4, State Constitution, yet it was shown by the testimony of Seymore and Yakey, for contestee, that not one of said men were enlisted in the service of the United States, but were merely common laborers temporarily employed. Contestant did not show that the actual residence of any one of them was elsewhere than in the precinct.

As to T. Brady: It is alleged that he voted illegally, and for contestee, afterwards admitting the same. While two witnesses for contestant testified that Brady made such admission to them, still, no such evidence coming direct from him was offered. What purported to be a letter from him to this effect was put in evidence, but the signature to the same was not identified, nor was the letter or any part thereof identified; it was not sworn to by him, and it is wholly inadmissible as evidence. The fact was brought out (see Williams' testimony), that Brady's vote was challenged, and that he answered the questions of the board satisfactorily under oath and was permitted to vote. Either one of two things must be a fact, viz.: That he perjured himself when he swore his vote in, or else that he has been constrained from some cause to lend himself to aid this contest. If he did perjure himself, then his subsequent testimony would have no value, as he might readily swear falsely as to the person for whom he voted. But no competent evidence upon this subject was offered. Had the testimony herein been taken as by law required, Brady could have been subpoenaed, put under oath, cross examined, and the facts obtained in a legal and conclusive manner. His vote should not be disturbed.

As to A. E. Lundeen: Contestant alleges, and supports by affidavit of Lundeen, that said Lundeen was entitled to vote, but was not permitted to vote, and would have voted for contestant. The original record of the challenge of Lundeen was put in evidence by contestee, was identified by Blackwell, one of contestant's witnesses, who was judge of the election board of Charleston precinct, where Lundeen offered to vote, and who had signed the record. This record of questions and answers of Lundeen under oath clearly shows that he claimed a homestead elsewhere, in another county, had been on same within ninety days, and intended to claim
same as his residence from the beginning of his improvements thereon; and that upon his own testimony upon this point he was not allowed to vote. It also appears from the affidavit of W. McDonough, a witness for contestee, that upon his own knowledge said Lundeen had removed to another county, and had taken up a homestead claim therein, and did not return to Kitsap county until the latter part of September, 1896. Lundeen's vote should not be admitted, nor taken account of in this contest.

As to Wm. Barber: Contestant alleges, and supports by Barber's affidavit, that said Barber was entitled to vote, but was refused by the election board on the ground of non-residence. The facts show that he had removed from the state with his family, and had not been residing within the state since said removal long enough to gain a residence. He swears that he had not intended to remain in Michigan permanently, but it is conclusively proven (notably in the affidavit of E. L. Brown), that Barber did intend to change his residence when he removed from the state, and that he so informed witness. The election board properly decided that he had lost his former residence and had not gained it anew. No account should be taken of his vote.

As to Van Vranken: Contestant claims, and supports by this man's affidavit, that he was entitled to vote in Port Orchard precinct, but was refused the right, and would have voted for contestant. It is shown in evidence (see particularly affidavit of E. L. Brown), that Van Vranken went to Skagit county to reside about two years ago, that he owned property there, and steadily resided there until about two weeks before the last election. His right to vote in Kitsap county was properly denied. His vote should not be taken into account.

As to Dahl: Contestant alleges, and supports by Dahl's affidavit, that he was illegally deprived of that person's vote. The fact is shown (notably by affidavits of A. E. Gunderson, J. O. Gunderson and J. Luxon), that Dahl offered to vote at the Olalla precinct, was challenged, and that he was foreign born, and that he could neither produce his naturalization papers nor furnish any proof of naturalization, and that for these reasons he was not permitted to vote. The election board properly rejected his vote, and it should not be taken into account herein.

As to Edwards, Kowen and Cushing: Contestant alleges, and offered evidence to prove, that these persons voted for contestee; that they were not entitled to vote, being county paupers, and being residents of precincts other than where they voted. It is admitted that they were paupers. The only evidence offered to show that they voted for contestee is the affidavit and testimony of witness Anderson, who has sworn that he served on the election board in Port Orchard precinct where these persons voted; that they were unable to make out their ballots and were assisted by one A. F. Baird, who marked the ballots on the outside; that he, Anderson, watched those ballots when they were counted and noticed that they were in favor of contestee, and that he therefore swears that these persons so voted. It will be observed that said Anderson, as an election officer, sworn to obey the laws, on his own admission violated our statutes for protecting the secrecy of the ballot, and laid himself
liable for criminal prosecution under section 124, Penal Code, volume 2, Hill's Code, by using a distinguishing mark on a ballot for the purpose of finding out the names thereon. However, the particular point of interest herein is the fact as shown by the affidavit of Baird, and not contradicted, that during said election day, in that precinct, he assisted six persons to prepare their ballots, all of these ballots, of course, being so endorsed on the backs thereof. Contestant has not attempted to account for all of those six ballots, nor more than three of them. It is plain that if there were six ballots so marked, no person could possibly pick out any three of them afterward and identifying those three as the ballots voted by Edwards, Kowen and Cushing. The case of contestant, therefore utterly fails as to these votes. It is not possible for him to prove the necessary facts. The testimony of the voters themselves, and nothing short of such testimony, can establish the fact as to how they voted. Certainly Anderson's testimony proves nothing on this point. But referring to the question raised as to the right of such persons to vote: Contestant has cited in his brief section 4, article 6, state constitution, which provides that no person shall be deemed to have gained a residence by his presence, nor lost it by his absence, while maintained at public expense in a poor house.

This provision of our state constitution is designed especially for the protection of such persons, so that their residence shall not be changed arbitrarily. It in no wise abridges their right of voluntary choice as to residence; nor does it prevent them from changing their residence, and acquiring a new residence while so maintained. It is regretted that counsel for contestant, while quoting in his brief from McCrary on Elections, a well known and reliable text-book writer on this subject, did not give this honorable body the benefit of what McCrary says on this point. That writer fully sustains the views of Paine on Elections, quoted hereinafter. Paine is another standard authority on the law of elections and election rights. He says, par. 100: "Paupers are sometimes excluded by constitutions or laws from the enjoyment of the right of suffrage. Paupers, in the sense of the statutes relating to elections, are persons who receive aid from the public under provisions made by law for the support and maintenance of the poor. Their votes are to be counted, unless they are disfranchised by state law." Same authority, par. 66 and 67: "There are authorities for the doctrine that, in the absence of statutory regulations upon the subject, a pauper, abiding in a public almshouse, locally situated in a different district from that in which he dwelt when he became a pauper, and by which he is supported away from his original home, does not thereby change his residence, but is held constructively to remain at his old home. There are strong reasons for this opinion. The pauper is under a species of confinement. He must submit to regulations imposed by others, and the place of his abode may be changed without his consent. Few of the other elements which ordinarily make up a domicile being present, the element of choice also in his case almost wholly disappears. * * * On the other hand, the pauper's right to vote is recognized by law. Practically, it can very seldom be exercised, except in the
immediate neighborhood of the almshouse. In case of a person so poor
and helpless as to be a lifelong inmate of the poorhouse, it is in every
sense in which the word can be used, really and truly his residence, and
it is important that these constitutional provisions, respecting suffrage,
should be carried out in their simplest and most natural sense, without
recourse to artificial or technical construction." (State vs. Irwin, 78 Ill.
170.)

Same authority: "An inmate of an infirmary, in Ohio, having his resi-
dence, when received into the infirmary, in a township other than the
one in which the infirmary is situated, is not incapacitated from forming
a purpose, or intent, to change his residence to the latter township, and,
if he adopt the township in which the infirmary is situated, as his place
of residence, having no family elsewhere, and also possess the other qual-
ifications required by law, he will be entitled to vote in such township." (Sturgeon vs. Kortes, 34 Ohio, 525.)

The committee on elections in the 44th congress of the United States,
expressed the following opinion on the question of the legal residence of
paupers: "The law of Illinois requires the relatives of poor persons to
support them if able to do so. * * * Will it be contended that these
poor persons, living in the families of their relatives, are unable to acquire
a residence, a home, there, because they are placed there in obedience
to the law? Surely not! If so, we should witness the painful spectacle
of disabled soldiers and some of the most intelligent citizens, disfran-
chised because of their poverty. * * * This new place of resi-
dence is as much their poorhouse, under the law, as is the county building
the poorhouse of those who have no relatives obliged by law to sup-
port them. If the home of a family, in which such a man lives, is not his
home, he has no home. So with the pauper at the poorhouse. That is
his home, his residence, and he has no other. It is idle to say that his is
a restrained residence. It is not. He can leave when he pleases. He is
there for no offense. His only crime is his poverty. It is necessity that
compels him to go there, but not the necessity of that duress that de-
prives him of his volition or his intent. Unlike the lunatic and the infant,
and the femme converte, he is a free agent, to think and act for himself,
except as constrained by poverty. The citizen, in his little hut, living on
one meal a day, is restrained by poverty, and yet he remains a free man
and a voter. That necessity which compelled a poor man to go to the
poorhouse, will compel him to remain. If there be one class whose
homes and residences are fixed it is this class whose homes and resi-
dences are thus fixed. In the opinion of the committee the home of these
people, their residence, their permanent abiding place, is at the poor-
house; and they have a right to vote at the precinct in which the poor-
house is situated." (Lemoyne vs. Farwell, Smith, 406.)

Paine on Elections, par. 70: "Under a constitution declaring that 'the
residence of a student, at any seminary of learning, shall not entitle
him to the right of suffrage, in the town where such seminary is situated,'
while such residence will not entitle him to the right, it will not prevent
its acquisition."
Same, par. 71: "A constitutional provision that 'no person shall be deemed to have gained, or lost, a residence, by reason of his presence or absence, while employed in the service of the United States,' does not prevent a person who removes to a county, while in the service of the United States, from acquiring a residence in that county, while in such service, if it is his intention so to do." (People vs. Holden, 28 Cal. 123.)

"Although residence cannot be gained or lost, by reason of the presence or absence of a person, while employed in the military service of the United States, such person may change his residence while so employed." (Darragh vs. Bird, 3 Oregon, 229.)

Applying the rules of law so clearly laid down in the foregoing eminent authorities and decisions of our courts, to the cases of the three paupers involved herein, please note the fact that the certified copy of the registration rolls and oaths of these persons, offered in evidence herein by contestee, show that they each qualified under oath that the place where they voted and registered was their actual residence. No evidence was offered that they or any one of them, had a family or families, at any other point, or that any one of them was situated in any respect so that his claim of actual residence in the precinct where he voted was inconsistent.

The law always respects the intent of the individual as to his residence. The oaths of these people are the best evidence of their intent as to their place of residence.

The fact that a person offers to swear his vote in and "take the chances of perjury," does not entitle him to vote. If the board of judges are satisfied from his answers to their questions that he is not entitled to vote they shall reject his vote. (See sec. 405, vol. 1, Hill's Code.)

For the foregoing facts and reasons, we submit that contestant herein has not made out a good cause of action against this contestee, and we therefore demand that his contest herein be dismissed.

ALLEN WEIR, Attorney for Contestee.

COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

IN THE MATTER OF THE CONTEST OF L. E. RADER VS. W. B. SEYMORE TO THE OFFICE OF REPRESENTATIVE TO THE STATE LEGISLATURE OF THE THIRTIETH DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON.

To the Honorable House of Representatives of the State of Washington:

Your committee appointed to investigate the contest in the above case duly met, and the contestant and the contestee being present, the contestant in person and by his attorneys, H. L. Forrest and Byron Millett, and the contestee in person and by his attorney, Allen Weir, and the committee hearing the evidence and argument of counsel and having duly considered the same, make the following report:

I.

We find that on the face of the returns the contestant was shown to have 713 votes and the contestee 715 votes, or a majority of two votes over
the contestant. That they were the only persons running for such office in such district at the election held therein November 3, 1896. That the contestant was a candidate at such election on the people's party ticket and this contestee was a candidate on the republican ticket.

II.

That this contestant as such candidate received the highest number of legal votes at said election, and was duly elected to said office.

III.

That by reason of certain irregular and unlawful and fraudulent proceedings and fraudulent voting at said election this contestant was unlawfully counted out and this contestee unlawfully counted in. That the result of said election as counted in favor of the contestee is not the real result, and is erroneous and false and fraudulent, in that it was made to appear that the contestee received a majority over this contestant of two votes in said returns, whereas the contestant received a majority of said votes, but was deprived of the same in the manner following, to wit:

IV.

That in Port Orchard precinct in said district and county of Kitsap he was unlawfully deprived of the vote of one Gare Van Vranken by the election board of said precinct.

V.

That in said precinct he was unlawfully and fraudulently deprived of the vote of one William Barber by the election board of said precinct.

VI.

That in said Port Orchard precinct the said election board did fraudulently and unlawfully and knowingly permit and procure three fraudulent votes to be deposited in the ballot box and counted against this contestant and in favor of this contestee by the following named persons, to wit, Josephus Edwards, John Kowen and James Cushing, all of whom voted fraudulently and unlawfully for the contestee and against the contestant, and neither of whom were entitled to vote at said election. That said parties were assisted in said fraudulent voting by one J. B. Yakey, candidate for prosecuting attorney of said county on the republican ticket, and that said judges did otherwise conduct said election at said place in a fraudulent and unlawful manner, whereby the contestant failed to receive votes to which he was entitled and the contestee was permitted to receive and did receive votes to which he was not entitled.

VII.

That in the Port Blakeley voting precinct at said election this contestant was deprived of divers and sundry votes by the fraudulent and unlawful proceedings of the election board of said precinct, and by divers and sundry persons who did then and there assemble and in a fraudulent and unlawful manner did intimidate certain voters and prevent the same from casting their ballots for this contestant, and for the purpose of having the
same cast their votes for the contestee and the republican ticket. That among those who did so fraudulently and unlawfully intimidate said voters was the Port Blakeley Mill Company, the employer of many of said voters.

VIII.

That in Olalla voting precinct, in said district and county of Kitsap, at said election, this contestant was fraudulently and unlawfully deprived of the vote of one Johannes J. Dahl by the election board of said precinct, which said board did refuse to allow said voter to cast his vote for this contestant, which act by said board was done knowingly and fraudulently against this contestant.

IX.

That at said election, and at the Port Washington precinct; held in said district and in said Kitsap county, which said voting place was at Tracyton, one T. Brady did fraudulently and unlawfully vote for this contestee, and against this contestant; that said Brady has subsequently made a written statement to this effect over his own signature that justice might be done this contestant, and alleges that he did not know at the time of voting that he was not a qualified elector.

X.

That at Charleston precinct, during said election, the election board of said precinct did fraudulently deprive this contestant of the vote of one A. E. Lundeen, a duly qualified elector, at said time and place. That said Lundeen was challenged and offered to take the oath required and to be examined, but said board refused his request, contrary to law. That said board did knowingly and fraudulently permit gross irregularities and unlawful acts as such board of election in permitting divers and sundry persons, too numerous to mention, to cast their ballots against this contestant and for this contestee who were not duly qualified electors and who were not entitled to vote at said election.

XI.

That by reason of the gross frauds and irregularities perpetrated as aforesaid at the Port Blakeley and Port Gamble voting precincts that the said vote should be ignored and thrown out, and the fraudulent and pretended and false majority counted therein for contestee should be canceled and the true majority of votes for this contestant of over one hundred in said representative district in Kitsap county should be so counted for him and made to correctly appear in his behalf, and that the contestant, L. E. Rader, be permitted to take his seat in this House as the duly elected member thereof. The attached sections of law are respectfully cited and applied.

CLEVELAND SMITH,
F. I. PHelps,
GEO. M. WITT,
S. W. BAKER,
Committee.
POINTS FOR CONTESTANT.

IN THE MATTER OF THE CONTEST OF L. E. RADER VS. W. B. SEYMORE,
FOR THE OFFICE OF REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE THIRTIETH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON.

I.
The fraud practiced and intimidation in the precincts of Port Gamble and Port Blakeley were and are sufficient to vitiate the election in those precincts, and requires their rejection from the official count.

II.
McCrary on Elections, page 362, section 540: Fraud in the conduct of an election may be shown by circumstantial evidence. It is sometimes a difficult matter to decide whether misconduct on the part of election officers is to be regarded as constituting fraud, or as only the result of carelessness, ignorance or negligence. If, however, such misconduct has the effect to destroy the integrity of the returns, and avoid the prima facie character which they ought to bear, such returns will be rejected, and other proof demanded of each vote relied on. And this is the rule concerning such misconduct whether it be shown to have been fraudulent, that is to say, prompted by a corrupt purpose, or whether it arise from a reckless disregard of the law, or from ignorance of its requirements. In either case the effect may be to destroy the integrity of the returns.

I.
As to intimidation, American and English Encyclopedia of Law, volume 6, page 362. Threats of loss of occupation: It is not necessary that the intimidation should proceed from a fear of personal injury, but a combination on the part of employers of laboring men to discharge their workmen, or an agreement not to employ persons unless they vote in accordance with their demands, will be deemed sufficient to avoid the election if the intimidation is so general as to affect the result.

It is an old adage of the common law that elections should be free; and anything which prevents the free exercise of the right of suffrage by the qualified elector would be a sufficient ground for setting aside the election in any country or state where the rules of common law prevail. (Same, p. 358.)

II.
Those three paupers were not entitled to vote in Port Orchard precinct, because such precinct was not the residence of either of them.

Constitution of the State of Washington, article 6, section 4, is as follows: Residence not affected by military service, etc.: For the purpose of voting and eligibility to office no person shall be deemed to have gained a residence by reason of his presence, or lost it by reason of his absence, while in the civil or military service of the state or of the United States, nor while a student at any institution of learning, nor while kept at public expense at any poorhouse or other asylum, nor while confined in public prison, nor while engaged in the navigation of the waters of this state or of the United States, or of the high seas.
III.

Those six votes residing on the military reservation voting in Charleston precinct, one of which voting for L. E. Rader, and the other five for the contestee, W. B. Seymore, were illegal votes, and should have been rejected by the election board under the above constitutional provision of this state.

IV.

The votes of the following named persons, A. E. Lundeen, Johannes J. Dahl, Gare Van Vranken and William Barber, should have been received and counted for the contestant, L. E. Rader.

McCrary on Elections, page 328, section 492, is as follows: The fact that the right to register or to vote has been denied to any person or persons duly qualified to vote, may always be shown in a case of contested election, whether such denial was fraudulent or not. The effect upon the rights of electors and upon the result of the election is the same whether such denial be the result of intentional wrong on the part of the officers of the election, or of accident, or an honest mistake as to the law. And if the number of voters whose rights have thus been denied is large enough to materially affect the result, such denial will vitiate the election.

V.

The vote of T. Brady must be rejected on his own admission, and no counter evidence to impeach him.

In conclusion, we submit that Mr. Rader was duly elected and is entitled to a seat in your honorable body. We have not gone into the authorities extensively, but believe that the citations above are sufficient, because the merits of this contest should be decided according to the provisions of our state constitution, and a fair interpretation in view of the facts disclosed by the evidence entitles Mr. Rader to his seat:

Respectfully submitted.

H. L. FORREST,

B Y R O N M I L L E T T ,

Attorneys for Mr. Rader.

Due service of the above argument admitted this 21st day of January, 1897, at — p. m., by copies served.

Mr. Witt moved that the majority report be adopted.

Mr. Williams moved to make this report a special order for to­

morrow, at 2 o’clock p. m.

On vote, the motion was adopted.

Mr. Williams moved to have the majority and minority reports printed by the Committee on Printing, and have one copy on each member’s desk by 10 o’clock a. m. to­morrow.

On vote, the motion was adopted.

Mr. Warner moved to withdraw joint resolution No. 2 from the Judiciary Committee.

On vote, the motion was carried.
House joint resolution No. 2, relating to purchase of code of laws published by McLaughlin, Atkinson & Remsberg, was read.

Mr. F. R. Baker moved to lay the House joint resolution on the table.

On vote, the motion was carried.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees:

House bill No. 234, by Mr. McAtee: An act for the protection of game, animals and birds, and song birds, and to define and punish as misdemeanors all violations thereof, and to repeal sections 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 271, 272, of the Penal Code of the State of Washington, and all other acts in conflict with this act, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

House bill No. 235, by Mr. Wolf: An act to protect persons transacting business in this state with insurance corporations or associations.

Referred to Committee on Insurance.

House bill No. 236, by Mr. Stuhrman: Providing for a levy and apportionment of school fund; an act to amend section fifty-two of chapter twelve of the Laws of 1889–90, entitled “An act to establish a general uniform system of common schools in the State of Washington, and declaring an emergency,” approved March 27, 1890, as amended by section 16 of chapter 127 of the Laws of 1891, approved March 7, 1891, as amended by chapter 68 of the Laws of 1895, approved March 14, 1895.

Referred to Committee on Education.

House bill No. 237, by Mr. Likins: An act to amend section 3006 of chapter 2 of title 71 of volume 1 of Hill’s Annotated Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington, relating to the payment of salaries.

Referred to Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.

House bill No. 238, by Mr. Wolf: An act providing that a judgment against a railroad company for injury to person or property shall be a lien upon the property of the company, prior and supe-
prior to any mortgage or trust deed executed after the taking effect of this act.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

House bill No. 239, by Mr. J. M. Edwards: An act to regulate and license the catching of salmon and repealing chapter 9 of the Session Laws of 1893 of the State of Washington, and abolishing fish traps, pound nets, weirs, fish wheels or other fixed appliances for catching salmon in the waters of the Columbia river and its tributaries, and Puget Sound, and all other waters of the State of Washington; providing for the licensing of gill nets or drift nets, seines or set nets, and the disposition of the funds arising therefrom.

Referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

House bill No. 240, by Mr. Scott: An act to amend section 2 of an act entitled "An act to prevent trespasses by sheep upon certain land in this territory, and to punish the owners of such sheep, for the violation of this act," approved February 2, 1888; the same being section 87, of the Penal Code, volume 2 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, and repealing sections 1, 3 and 4 of said act, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

House bill No. 241, by Mr. J. M. Edwards: An act, entitled "An act to amend section 2 of chapter 82 of the Session Laws of 1895."

Referred to Committee on Insurance.

House memorial No. 5, by Mr. Williams: Relating to the representation of Alaska in the congress of the United States.

Referred to Committee on Memorials.

House memorial No. 3, by Mr. Gilkey: Relating to the establishment of a life saving station between the entrance to Gray's Harbor and the promontory known as Point Granville.

Referred to Committee on Memorials.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 27, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The president of the Senate has signed House concurrent resolution No. 10, in relation to an investigation of the state penitentiary at Walla Walla. And the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COUNTIES AND COUNTY BOUNDARIES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 21, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Counties and County Boundaries, to whom was referred House bill No. 5, entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to provide for annexing certain county territory to neighboring county to which it is contiguous,' approved March 9, 1891," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

A. S. BUSH, Chairman.
C. A. MENTZER.
A. MATHIOT.
JOHN HARGRAVE.
F. I. PHELPS.

On motion, the report was adopted and the bill passed to third reading.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 25, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 96, entitled "An act to protect purchasers of real property against unrecorded community interests," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

S. T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.
J. H. POWELL.
W. B. ROBERTS.
H. D. SMITH.
A. D. WARNER.
H. K. STRUVE.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill indefinitely postponed.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 25, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 110, entitled "An act reducing the number of superior judges from twenty-one (21) to twelve (12)," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

S. T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.
E. H. GUER.
J. P. DE MATTOS.
W. B. ROBERTS.
J. H. POWELL.
H. D. SMITH.
A. D. WARNER.
H. K. STRUVE.
Mr. Williams moved that the report be adopted, and that the bill be indefinitely postponed.
Mr. Williams moved the previous question.
On vote, the motion was carried.
On vote, the motion to indefinitely postpone was carried.
A communication from the governor, relating to the lease of offices for government officers, was read.
Referred to Committee on State Buildings, Public Grounds and Libraries.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRINTING AND SUPPLIES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 27, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Printing and Supplies, to whom was referred a resolution ordering the printing of reports and briefs of the special committee on the election contest case of Rader vs. Seymore, have had the same under consideration, and your committee find that printing the said reports and briefs will cost in the neighborhood of $50. Your committee reports to the House for further instructions, and recommends that the resolution ordering the printing be reconsidered.
Respectfully submitted. W. B. ROBERTS, Chairman.
We concur in this report: JAS. HUGH ROSS.
F. I. PHELPS.
THOS. WINSOR.

Mr. Roberts moved that the report be adopted.
Mr. Williams moved to re-refer to the committee.
On vote, the motion to re-refer was lost. Ayes 17, noes 59, absent or not voting 2.
On vote, the report of the committee was adopted.

Moved by Mr. Roberts, that the attorneys of the respective parties be given thirty minutes each to argue the case before this House at the time at which the contest was made a special order.

Moved by Mr. Warner, to amend to read fifteen minutes.

On vote, the motion to amend was lost.

On vote, the motion of Mr. Roberts was adopted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 25, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 114, entitled "An act allowing married women to act as administratrix or executrix of estates of deceased persons, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

J. H. POWELL.
E. H. GUE.
A. D. WARNER.
H. K. STRUVE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 25, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, a minority of your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 114, entitled "An act allowing married women to act as administratrix or executrix of estates of deceased persons, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

W. B. ROBERTS.

J. P. DE MATTOS.
E. W. WAX.
H. D. SMITH.

Mr. Roberts moved to substitute the minority report for the majority report.

On vote, the motion was adopted.

The amendment by Mr. Williams to strike out all after the "enacting clause" was ruled out of order, because positive action had been taken on the same point before.

The bill was passed to third reading.
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 25, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 77, entitled "An act to amend section 414 of the second volume of Hill's Code of the State of Washington, relating to costs," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

J. H. POWELL.

W. B. ROBERTS.

H. D. SMITH.

A. D. WARNER.

H. K. STRUYVE.

Mr. Williams moved to adopt the report of the committee.

Further consideration of the bill was deferred to the afternoon session.

JOINT SESSION.

The joint session met at 12 o'clock m., and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Daniels.

Speaker Cline presided over the joint session.

The rolls were called; all members being present, except Mr. S. W. Baker, who was excused.

Senator Wilson moved that the reading of the journal of the joint session be dispensed with, and that the same stand approved.

The motion was carried.

The roll was called on the

EIGHTEENTH JOINT BALLOT.

Chas. E. Cline received four votes.
Thurston Daniels received forty votes.
A. A. Denny received twenty-six votes.
Watson C. Squire received six votes.
George Turner received thirty-two votes.
Richard Winsor received one vote.
John R. Rogers received two votes.

Those voting for Chas. E. Cline were: Carr, Irvin, Range, and Richmond — 4.

Those voting for Thurston Daniels were: Baker F. R., Bush C. P., Canutt, Caywood, Conine, Couch, Crow, Day, Edwards J. M., Edwards J. O., Field, Freeman, High, Hill, Hodgdon, Hooper, Jory, Land, Lusher, Mitchell, Moore, Parker, Phelps, Pierson,
Reinhart, Ross, Runner, Smith C., Smith H. D., Smith P. M.,


Those voting for Watson C. Squire were: Forbes, Kincaid, Koehler, Likins, Merrifield, and Williams—6.

Those voting for George Turner were: Baum, Bush A. S., Cole, Davis, Easterday, Fritz, Geraghty, Gerry, Gilkey, Hagadorn, Hansen, Hargrave, Hicks, Houghton, Johnston, Keith, Lindstrom, Mathiot, Mentzer, Miller David, Mohundro, McAtee, McReavy, Paul, Roberts, Scott, Smith J. B., Stafford, Stuhrman, Wolf, and Yeend—32.

Senator Plummer voted for Richard Winsor.

Those voting for John R. Rogers were: de Mattos and Miller T. J.—2.

There being no choice, the clerk of the joint session was instructed to call the roll on the

NINETEENTH JOINT BALLOT.

Thurston Daniels received forty-four votes.
A. A. Denny received twenty-six votes.
Watson C. Squire received six votes.
George Turner received thirty-three votes.
John R. Rogers received two votes.


Those voting for Watson C. Squire were: Forbes, Kincaid, Likins, Merrifield, Richmond, and Williams—6.


Those voting for John R. Rogers were: de Mattos and Miller T. J.—2.

There being no choice, the clerk of the joint session was instructed to call the roll on the

TWENTIETH JOINT BALLOT.

Thurston Daniels received forty-four votes.
A. A. Denny received twenty-six votes.
Watson C. Squire received six votes.
George Turner received thirty-three votes.
John R. Rogers received two votes.


Those voting for Watson C. Squire were: Forbes, Kincaid, Likins, Merrifield, Richmond, and Williams—6.

Those voting for John R. Rogers were: de Mattos and Miller T. J.—2.

There being no choice, the clerk of the joint session was instructed to call the roll on the

TWENTY-FIRST JOINT BALLOT.

Thurston Daniels received forty-three votes.
A. A. Denny received twenty-six votes.
Watson C. Squire received six votes.
George Turner received thirty-three votes.
John R. Rogers received two votes.
Clark Davis received one vote.


Those voting for Watson C. Squire were: Forbes, Kincaid, Likins, Merrifield, Richmond, and Williams—6.


Those voting for John R. Rogers were: de Mattos and Miller T. J.—2.

Senator Range voted for Clark Davis.

On motion, the joint session was dissolved at 1:03 o'clock P. M.

On motion of Mr. Merrifield, the House adjourned to 2:30 o'clock P. M. at 1:04 o'clock P. M.
AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House was called to order at 2:30 o'clock P. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair. There being a quorum present.

House bill No. 77 was taken up for further consideration.

It was moved by Mr. Couch to refer the bill back to the committee to prepare a substitute therefor.

On vote, the motion was adopted.

A communication from the Tacoma Poultry Association, inviting the members of the legislature to attend their third annual meeting at Tacoma, on Saturday next, was read by Mr. Speaker.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 25, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 94, entitled "An act to regulate the fees of jurors, and repealing all laws inconsistent therewith," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: Strike from the title the first three words, "Entitled an act;" also the last six words, "and repealing all laws inconsistent therewith." Insert after the word "day," in line 2 of section 1, the following: "And mileage at the rate of five cents per mile each way for every mile necessarily traveled." And as so amended that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.
E. H. GUIE.
J. P. DE MATTOS.
W. B. ROBERTS.
H. D. SMITH.
H. K. STRUVE.

We concur in this report:

The amendment to strike from the title the first three words was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Warner: Amend the committee's report by striking out the word "two" in line 2 of section 1, and insert the words "one dollar and fifty cents" per day.

On vote, the amendment was lost.

On vote, the amendment of the committee relating to mileage was adopted.

On vote, the report of the committee was adopted, and the bill passed to third reading.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 25, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 101, entitled "An act to amend chapter 127 of the Session Laws of the State of Washington for 1893," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

J. H. Powell.
E. H. Guier.
J. P. De Mattos.
W. B. Roberts.
H. D. Smith.
A. D. Warner.
H. K. Struve.

Mr. Williams moved to suspend the reading of the bill and that the report be adopted.

On vote, the motion was lost.

On motion, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND LABOR STATISTICS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 26, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics, to whom was referred House bill No. 32, entitled "An act requiring street railways and street car companies or corporations owning or operating street railways or street car lines, to employ competent men to operate and assist in operating cars and dummies on such car lines, and defining the meaning of who competent men are for such service, and providing a penalty for the violation of this act," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

Paul Land, Chairman.
J. D. Hagadorn.
D. R. Lusher.
John A. Gilkey.
Cleveland Smith.
V. R. Pierson.
A. T. Tobiassen.
J. O. Edwards.
F. I. Phelps.

On motion, the report was adopted and the bill passed to its third reading.
MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Insurance, to whom was referred House bill No. 62, entitled "An act to amend section 11 of chapter 82 of the Session Laws of 1895," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

L. J. MCATEE, Chairman.

Moved by Mr. Hicks to re-refer the bill to the Committee on Corporations other than Municipal.

On vote, the motion was adopted.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 111 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill passed: Ayes 64, noes 6, absent or not voting 8.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker S. W., Jory, Kittinger, Libby, Nelson, Richmond, Ross, and Struve—8.

On vote, the emergency clause was passed: Ayes 65, noes 7, absent or not voting 8.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 124 was read the third time.

It was moved by Mr. Hicks to lay the bill on the table.

On vote, the motion was carried.

House bill No. 6 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

It was moved by Mr. Williams that the vote by which House bill No. 6 was passed to third reading be reconsidered, and that the bill be returned to second reading.

On vote, the motion was carried.

Amendment by Mr. Williams: To insert in line 2 of section 1 after the word "or" the words "unlawfully and."

On vote, the amendment was carried.

Amendment by Mr. Warner: To amend House bill No. 6, line 1, section 1, by striking out the word "eighteen" and inserting the word "sixteen."

On vote, the amendment was lost.

On motion of Mr. Williams, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 71, noes 1, absent or not voting 6.

Thacker, Tobiassen, Williams, Winsor, Wilkeson, Way, Witt, Wolf, Windust, and Mr. Speaker—71.

Noes: Mr. Warner.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 69 was read the third time.

Moved by Mr. Wolf: To reconsider the vote by which House bill No. 69 was passed to third reading, and that the bill be returned to second reading.

On vote, the motion was lost.

Mr. Williams was called to the chair at 4:25 o'clock p. m.

The bill was placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill failed to pass: Ayes 25, noes 44, absent or not voting 9.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker S. W., Carr, Kittinger, Levin, Libby, Richmond, Struve, Winsor, and Mr. Speaker—9.

House bill No. 5 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 53, noes 11, absent or not voting 14.

Thacker, Tobiassen, Williams, Wilkeson, Witt, Wolf, and Windust—53.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker S. W., Carr, Geraghty, Kittinger, Levin, Libby, Lindstrom, Mitchell, Phelps, Richmond, Roberts, Smith C., Struve, and Mr. Speaker—14.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

On motion of Mr. Warner, the House adjourned at 4:40 o’clock P. M.

S. P. Carusi, Chief Clerk.

EIGHTEENTH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

House of Representatives, Olympia, Washington, Thursday, January 28, 1897. 10 o’clock A. M.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House was called to order at 10 o’clock A. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

The Rev. A. G. Sawin, of the Baptist Church, offered prayer.

The roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names except Mr. S. W. Baker, excused.

The journal of the preceding day was read and approved.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 94, entitled “An act to regulate the fees of jurors,” has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. H. D. Jory, Chairman.

A petition was presented from citizens of South Bend, Washington, relating to fish bill.

The same was read, and referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.
Petitions were presented from 151 citizens of Skamania and Klickitat counties, relating to appropriation for wagon road along the north bank of the Columbia river.

Read, and referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

A petition was presented by Mr. Caywood, from citizens of Asotin county, relating to pasturage of animals.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

The following resolution, by Mr. Johnston, was read, and its adoption moved:

Knowing the importance of having an early report, I move that the speaker of the House request the Committee on Fees and Compensation of State and County Officers, to whom was referred House bill No. 8, to report the same at as early a date as practicable to the House for consideration.

On vote, the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Ross presented the following resolution, and moved its adoption:

Resolved, That the sergeant-at-arms be instructed to procure two (2) bill punches for the use of the members of this House; said punches to be in his possession and subject to the request of members.

On vote, the resolution was adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

STATE OF WASHINGTON, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
OLYMPIA, January 28, 1897.

To the Honorable Speaker of the House of Representatives, State of Washington:

Sir—The governor has this day approved House concurrent resolution No. 10, authorizing the appointment of a legislative committee to investigate the state penitentiary at Walla Walla.

Very respectfully, J. E. BALLAINE, Private Secretary.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

House bill No. 60 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 41 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 137 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 97 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it pass as amended.
House bill No. 76 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 184 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, ordered printed and referred to appropriate committees:

House bill No. 242, by Mr. Guie: An act relating to the qualifications of electors, fixing penalties for a violation of its provisions, and repealing sections 3050, 3051, 3052, 3053, and 3054, of the Code of Washington of 1881.

Referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

House bill No. 243, by Mr. Roberts: Providing for a uniform system of public blanks for use in the counties of the State of Washington, and regulating the manufacture and sale thereof by the State and making an appropriation therefor.

Referred to the Committee on Printing and Supplies.

House bill No. 244, by Mr. Parker: An act to establish the legal rate of interest in the State of Washington, and to prevent usury.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 245, by Mr. Ross: An act to establish a state board of inspection for steam boilers and for the examination and licensing of engineers.

Referred to the Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics.

House memorial No. 6, memorializing the congress of the United States in regard to the Indian wars, extending from 1847 to 1850, and asking pensions for the benefit of the veterans engaged therein was read.

Referred to the Committee on Memorials.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 13 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 67, noes 3, absent or not voting 8.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 114 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

The previous question was called for, and on vote, was sustained.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 42, noes 31, absent or not voting 5.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker S. W., Caywood, Land, Levin, and Richmond—5.

On vote, the emergency clause failed to pass. Ayes 37, noes 34, absent or not voting 7.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker S. W., Caywood, Geraghty, McAtee, Richmond, Seymore, and Smith P. M.—7.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 32 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

The hour for the joint session having arrived, the bill was laid over until Friday, January 29th.

Mr. Warner arose to a question of personal privilege, and introduced the following motion:

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislature:

One of the morning dailies, the Post-Intelligencer, of Seattle, contains an article in which I, among others, am charged with gross misconduct in office. I simply desire to say that this imputation and charge is, as to myself, as false as hell—unqualifiedly false.

Now, sir, I want to say here that I court and demand the fullest immediate investigation of this matter.

I also desire to add, that a member of this House stated in a public meeting of at least thirty members of this House, last night, that he had been made an offer to support and vote for a gentleman other than the one he was voting for for the United States senate.

I further desire to state that it is open and notoriously stated and charged on the streets, that the patronage of this state is being used for the purpose of influencing, prejudicing and biasing the minds of this legislature, and electing a particular candidate for United States senator.

If this last charge is true, it is more base, vile and criminal than any other, and it ought and must be investigated.

I therefore move you, sir, that a committee of five be appointed at once to investigate these charges in the Post-Intelligencer of even date, and all matters pertaining to the election of a United States senator, and that it be endowed with full power and authority to send for persons and papers, subpoena witnesses and enforce their attendance, and make a report to this House as soon as practicable.

Mr. Powell introduced a similar resolution, which was withdrawn.

On vote, the motion to appoint an investigation committee was carried, and the speaker appointed the following representatives, to wit: Messrs. Powell, Freeman, de Mattos, Gerry and Couch,
as a committee to investigate charges made against Mr. Warner by the Post-Intelligencer, of Seattle, Wash.

JOINT SESSION.

The joint session met at 12 o'clock m., and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Daniels.

The speaker of the House of Representatives presided.

The rolls were called; all members being present and answering to their names except Mr. S. W. Baker.

On motion of Mr. Roberts, the reading of the minutes of the joint session was dispensed with, and the same approved.

Senator Plummer arose to a question of personal privilege.

There being no choice, the clerk of the joint session was instructed to call the roll on the

TWENTY-SECOND JOINT BALLOT.

Richard Winsor received forty-one votes.
George Turner received thirty-five votes.
Watson C. Squire received six votes.
A. A. Denny received twenty-six votes.
Chas. E. Cline received three votes.


Those voting for Watson C. Squire were: Kincaid, Likins, Merrifield, Richmond, Ross, and Williams—6.

Those voting for Chas. E. Cline were: de Mattos, Irvin, and Smith H. D.—3.

There being no election, the clerk of the joint session was instructed to call the roll on the

TWENTY-THIRD JOINT BALLOT.

Richard Winsor received forty-two votes.
George Turner received thirty-five votes.
Watson C. Squire received six votes.
A. A. Denny received twenty-six votes.
Chas. E. Cline received two votes.


Those voting for Watson C. Squire were: Kincaid, Koehler, Likins, Richmond, Ross, and Williams—6.


Those voting for Chas. E. Cline were: de Mattos and Smith H. D.—2.

Mr. Marshall moved to adjourn the joint session.
On vote, the motion was lost.
There being no choice, the clerk of the joint session was instructed to call the roll on the

TWENTY-FOURTH JOINT BALLOT.

Richard Winsor received forty-four votes.
George Turner received thirty-five votes.
Watson C. Squire received four votes.
A. A. Denny received twenty-six votes.
Chas. E. Cline received two votes.


Those voting for Watson C. Squire were: Kincaid, Likins, Ross, and Williams — 4.


Those voting for Chas. E. Cline were: de Mattos and Smith H. D. — 2.

On motion of Senator Plummer, the joint session adjourned at 12:45 o'clock P. M.

On motion of Mr. Kittinger, the House adjourned at 12:46 o'clock P. M.

**AFTERNOON SESSION.**

The House convened at 2 o'clock P. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

There being a quorum present, the House took up special order — the election contest of Rader vs. Seymore.

The clerk read the majority and minority reports of the special committee on elections.

In accordance with the order of procedure, made yesterday,
Mr. H. L. Forrest was allowed thirty minutes wherein to present his argument in behalf of Mr. Rader, the contestant; and Hon. Allen Weir was given the same period of time in which to present his argument in behalf of Mr. Seymore, the contestee.

Mr. Williams was called to the chair at 3:30 o'clock P. M.

On vote, the previous question was sustained.

On vote, the motion to substitute the minority report for the majority report, was lost.

On vote, the majority report was adopted: Ayes 48, noes 23, absent or not voting 7.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Mathiot, McAtee, Richmond, Roberts, Seymore, Struve, and Wilkeson — 7.

On motion of Mr. Witt, Mr. Rader was invited within the bar of the House and sworn in by the speaker.

On motion, the House adjourned at 4:15 o'clock P. M.

S. P. Carusi, Chief Clerk.
Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 10 o'clock A. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Rev. J. L. Thompson, of the Presbyterian Church.

The roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names.

The journal of the preceding session was read and approved.

Mr. Carusi, chief clerk, was excused on account of sickness.

A petition was presented by Mr. A. S. Bush from citizens of South Bend, Wash., relating to a fishing bill for abolition of fish traps. Read and referred to the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

A petition was presented by Mr. Warner from Washington State Mining Bureau, relating to House bill No. 69. Read, and referred to the Committee on Mines and Mining.

The following resolution was introduced by Mr. Guie, and its adoption moved:

WHEREAS, The time of the pages of this House is taken up in sorting and distributing the bills for the sergeant-at-arms, and a great inconvenience is felt in the House because of the absence of the pages therefrom; and,

WHEREAS, The duties of the sergeant-at-arms are so onerous and numerous that the members of this House cannot obtain bills from the sergeant-at-arms or receive information regarding the same: now, therefore,

Be it resolved, That the sergeant-at-arms be instructed and empowered to employ a bill clerk at a compensation of $1.50 per day, and that said bill clerk shall also arrange and fix the bills in the files of the members of this House.

Mr. Phelps moved as a substitute the following resolution:

Resolved, That inasmuch as from seven to fourteen committee clerks are drawing $3 per day, that they be instructed by the powers that be to report for duty at the desk of the chief clerk and by him be instructed to fill the bill files of members of the committees to which they are assigned, and such other duties as the chief clerk may assign.
Mr. Phelps moved the adoption of the substitute.

Mr. Jory moved to lay the resolution on the table.

The motion was lost.

On vote, the motion to substitute the resolution of Mr. Phelps was lost.

Mr. Baker moved to amend to read $2 per day.

On vote, the resolution was adopted as amended.

The hour of 10 o'clock having arrived, the House took under consideration House bill No. 1, by Mr. Warner, entitled "An act to reduce the expenses of state and county government, and to abolish certain offices, viz.: The office of the board of trustees of the Eastern Washington hospital for the insane; the office of the board of trustees of the Western Washington hospital for the insane; the board of penitentiary directors; the board of trustees of the Washington soldiers' home; the board of regents of the agricultural college, experiment station and school of science of the State of Washington; the board of trustees of the Washington state reform school; the board of trustees of the Washington school for defective youth; the state board of horticulture; the board of state land commissioners; the office of arid land commissioner; the board of state capital commission; the office of mining inspectors; to reduce the number of superior judges from 21 to 15; to reduce the number of prosecuting attorneys from 34 to 12; to abolish the office of county auditor."

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House to consider the bill.

The speaker called Mr. Williams to the chair.

The committee arose at 10:55 o'clock A.M.

The speaker resumed the chair.

The following report was submitted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASH., January 29, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your committee of the whole House, to whom was referred House bill No. 1, entitled "An act to reduce the expenses of state and county government, and to abolish certain offices, viz.: The office of the board of trustees of the Eastern Washington hospital for the insane; the office of board of trustees of the Western Washington hospital for the insane; the board of penitentiary directors; the board of trustees of the Washington soldiers' home; the board of regents of the agricultural college, experi-
ment station and school of science of the State of Washington; the board of trustees of the Washington state reform school; the board of trustees of the Washington school for defective youth; the state board of horticulture; the board of state land commissioners; the office of arid land commissioner; the board of state capitol commission; the office of mining inspectors; to reduce the number of superior judges from 21 to 15; to reduce the number of prosecuting attorneys from 34 to 12; to abolish the office of county auditor," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, reporting progress, and ask for further time.

Solon T. Williams, Chairman.

On vote, the report was adopted.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

House bill No. 7, by Mr. Barlow, was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.

Senate bill No. 75 was reported back by the Committee on Appropriations with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 139, by Mr. Mentzer, was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 11, by Mr. Clapp, was reported back by the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

The committee on special election reported and were discharged.

The report of said committee was sent to the Committee on Claims and Auditing without reading.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced, read first time, ordered printed and referred to appropriate committees:

House bill No. 246, by Mr. Forbes: An act fixing maximum rates of wharfage that may be charged; prescribing penalties, and regulating travel over docks and wharves in the State of Washington. Referred to Committee on Harbors and Waterways.

House bill No. 247, by Mr. Likins: An act to encourage the production of long line fibre of flax grown in the State of Washington. Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

House bill No. 248, by Mr. Scott: An act to amend an amendment to "An act providing for the organization and government of irrigation districts and the sale of bonds arising therefrom, and declaring an emergency," the same being section 2, approved March 22, 1895, and declaring an emergency. Referred to Committee on Water, Water Rights and Irrigation.
House bill No. 249, by Mr. Richmond: An act to protect song birds, and prescribing a penalty therefor.
Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

House bill No. 250, by Mr. G. H. Baker: An act fixing the fees and compensation or sheriffs.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 251, by Mr. G. H. Baker: An act to amend section 6, page 408, Session Laws of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the manner of commencing of civil actions in the superior courts, and bringing the same to trial."
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 28, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 97, entitled "An act in relation to and to prevent the introduction or spread of disease among sheep, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives with the recommendation that it be amended in the title as follows: After the word "sheep," in the title of said bill, insert the words "and repealing an act in relation to and to prevent the introduction and spread of disease among sheep, approved February 2, 1888." That in line 1 of section 4 of the printed bill "three (3) dollars per day" be substituted for "five (5) dollars per day," and that in line 2 of said section "five cents" be substituted for "ten cents." That section 17 of said bill 97 be amended to read as follows: "Sec. 17. That the act entitled 'An act in relation to and to prevent the introduction or spread of disease among sheep,' approved February 2, 1888, and all other acts and parts of acts in conflict with this act are hereby repealed," that the bill as amended herein, do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

CLEVELAND SMITH, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

F. I. PHILPS.
LEWIS LINDSTROM.
C. T. IRVIN.
GEO. WINDUST.
A. MATHIOT.
G. H. BAKER.
J. O. COUCH.

The committee's amendment to the title was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. F. R. Baker: Amend to substitute "$3 per day" for "$4 per day."

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

On vote, the amended report was adopted.
On vote, the amendment to read "five (5) cents" was adopted. The amendment to repeal specific act was adopted. On vote, the report was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Guice: That in line 2 of section 1 the word "three" be stricken out and "ten" inserted instead thereof.

As a substitute amendment, by Mr. Warner: Amend section 1 by striking out the words, in first line, "that it shall be the duty of the commissioners of each county" and insert the words "the county commissioners of each county may."

On vote, the substitute was adopted.

Mr. F. R. Baker moved that the rules be suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the motion was lost.

The bill passed to third reading.

House bill No. 134 was taken up for second reading.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the consideration of the bill was deferred until the afternoon session.

On motion, the House took a recess at 11:45 o'clock A.M. until 11:55 o'clock A.M.

After recess.

The hour of 12 o'clock M. having arrived, the Senate and House met in joint session.

JOINT SESSION.

The joint session met at 12 o'clock M., and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Daniels, who presided over the session.

The rolls were called; all members being present and answering to their names, except Messrs. Edwards J. O., Tobiassen, and Hooper.

On motion of Senator Wilson, the journal of joint session was approved without reading.

There being no election, the clerk was instructed to call the roll upon the

TWENTY-FIFTH JOINT BALLOT.

George Turner received sixty-eight votes.
A. A. Denny received twenty-five votes.
Watson C. Squire received one vote.
G. H. Wescott received fourteen votes.
A. R. Kritz received one vote.

Those voting for George Turner were: Baker F. R., Baker S.


Representative Williams voted for Watson C. Squire.

Those voting for G. H. Wescott were: Bush C. P., Canutt, Caywood, Conine, Couch, Freeman, Irvin, Lusher, Parker, Rader, Smith C., Windust, Winsor, and Witt—14.

Senator Reinhart voted for A. R. Kritz.

Absent or not voting: Edwards J. O., Tobiassen, and Hooper—3.

George Turner having received the necessary number of votes, was declared elected United States senator for the State of Washington.

Senator Dorr moved that a committee of three be appointed from the joint session to inform Mr. Turner of his election, and invite him to appear before the joint session.

On vote, the motion was adopted.

The chair appointed Senators Dorr, Baum and Crow, as such committee.

Mr. Williams moved that the joint session do now dissolve.

On vote, the motion was lost.

The committee reported, and the chair introduced the newly elected senator, George Turner, who addressed the joint session.

On motion of Mr. Fritz, the joint session dissolved at 12:45 o'clock P. M.

On motion of Mr. Warner, the House adjourned at 12:45 o'clock P. M., to convene at 2:30 o'clock P. M.
Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 2:30 o’clock P. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.
A quorum being present, the business of the House was proceeded with.
By request, Senate bill No. 75 (substitute bill for House bill No. 60), was read.
Mr. Kittinger was called to the chair at 2:35 o’clock P. M.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, OLYMPIA, WASH., January 29, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 75, entitled "An act appropriating money for clerical assistance in the office of the board of state land commissioners," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.
Respectfully submitted.

GEO. M. WITT, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

J. L. LIKINS.
C. P. BUSH.
A. T. TOBIASSEN.
G. B. RICHMOND.
F. I. PHELPS.
J. C. MERRIFIELD.
H. D. SMITH.
DAVID MITCHELL.

On motion, the report of the committee was adopted.
On motion of Mr. Witt, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.
On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 66, noes 0, absent or not voting 12.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Barlow, Hargrave, Irvin, Jory, Levin, Mitchell, McAtee, Powell, Roberts, Struve, Warner, and Mr. Speaker—12.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASH., January 26, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred House bill No. 137, entitled "A bill for an act to provide for the registration of voters in all school elections, in school districts having a population of ten thousand inhabitants, and regulating elections in such districts," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended, as follows: That the second syllable of word 21, line 7, section 8 of printed bill be stricken out, and then adopted.

Respectfully submitted.

B. F. Day, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

John Forbes.

Robert Gerry.

G. N. Hodgdon.

John Hargrave.

Paul Land.

C. T. Irvin.

Signed by all members of the committee, except Struve, absent.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Likins: In section 1, line 2, strike out the word "ten" and substitute the word "five" therefor.

It was moved by Mr. Williams that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

It was moved by Mr. F. R. Baker to re-refer the bill to the committee.

On vote, the motion to re-refer was carried.

Mr. Phelps resigned from chairmanship and membership of Committee on Constitutional Revision.

The speaker appointed Mr. Rader to a place on the following committees: Chairman of Committee on Constitutional Revision, in place of Mr. Phelps, resigned; Committee on Appropriations,
Committee on Education, Committee on Harbors and Waterways, Committee on Mileage and Contingent Expenses, Committee on Judiciary, and Committee on State Normal Schools.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 26, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred House bill No. 41, entitled "An act abolishing the office of lieutenant governor," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.
Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:
B. F. DAY, Chairman.
C. T. IRVIN.
ROBT. GERRY.
JOHN FORBES.
G. N. HODGDON.
JOHN HARGRAVE.
P. LAND.

Signed by all members of the committee, except Mr. Struve, absent.

Mr. Gerry moved the adoption of the report.

Amendment by Mr. F. R. Baker: Strike out section 2.

Substitute amendment by Mr. Williams: "Sec. 2. Whereas, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, this act shall take effect and be in force immediately after the approval of the governor."

Moved by Powell to re-refer the bill to the Judiciary Committee.
On vote, the motion was lost.

Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker to lay the bill on the table.
On vote, the motion was lost.

On vote, the amendment to substitute emergency clause for section 2 was lost: Ayes 29, noes 41, absent or not voting 8.


D., Smith P. M., Stafford, Stuhrman, Wilkeson, Way, and Mr. Speaker — 41.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Libby, Marshall, McAtee, Phelps, Richmond, Struve, Warner and Wolf — 8.

Mr. Fritz asked to be excused until Monday. The request was granted.

On motion of Mr. Geraghty, Mr. Wolf was excused until Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock A. M.

Messrs. Clapp, Levin, Winsor, Kincaid, Baker F. R. and Kittinger were excused until Monday morning at 10 o'clock A. M.

Mr. Powell moved that when we adjourn it be to Monday at 11:30 o'clock A. M.

On motion, the amendment to strike out section 2 was adopted. The bill passed to third reading.

Mr. Mentzer moved to reconsider the vote by which House bill No. 97 was passed to third reading.

On vote, the motion was carried.

The clerk was ordered to recall House bill No. 97 from the Engrssing Committee.

On vote, the motion to insert "may" for "shall" in first line was lost.

Mr. Witt moved the suspension of the rules, and that the bill be returned to third reading.

On vote, the motion was carried, and the bill returned to third reading.

Mr. E. B. Cox was sworn in as bill clerk.

A petition presented by Mr. Williams, relating to school of free kindergartens, was read:

Referred to Committee on Education.

On motion, Mr. Koehler was excused until Tuesday.

On motion, the House adjourned at 4:40 o'clock P. M.

S. P. Carusi, Chief Clerk.
Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 10 o'clock A. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Rev. R. E. Dunlap, of the Christian Church of Seattle.

Roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names except Messrs. Fritz, Clapp, Levin, Winsor, Kincaid, Baker F. R., Kittinger, Wolf, and Koehler, excused. Messrs. Caywood and Irvin, absent.

On motion of Mr. Guie, the reading of the minutes was dispensed with, and the same was approved.

The following resolution was introduced by Mr. Mohundro:

**Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, That the speaker of this House be and he is hereby authorized to employ a private secretary, at $8 per day.**

On vote, the resolution was adopted.

A petition from the citizens of Montesano, relating to the office of state dairy commissioner, was read.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

A petition presented by Mr. Nelson (by request), from the citizens of Skagit county, relating to issuance of state and county warrants, was read.

Referred to Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.

A petition presented by Mr. Thacker, from citizens of San Juan county, relating to fisheries, was read.

Referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

A petition from the citizens of Klickitat county, relating to taxes, was read.

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

Petition by Mr. Hargrave, relating to protecting depositors in banks.

Referred to Committee on Banks and Banking.
INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced, read first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees:

House bill No. 252, by Mr. Libby: An act entitled "An act to amend the fund known as the salary fund, and amending section 37 of an act entitled 'An act classifying counties according to population, enumerating the county officers, fixing the salaries thereof, providing for deputies, collection of fees, and payment of salaries.'"
Referred to Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.

House bill No. 253, by Mr. Libby: An act entitled "An act to cure irregularities and omissions in the advertisement of delinquent taxes by county treasurers."
Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

House bill No. 254, by Mr. Warner: An act entitled "An act to provide for the apportionment of taxes in certain cases."
Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

House bill No. 255, by Mr. Cline: An act entitled "An act repealing all acts or portions of acts authorizing the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors, and providing for the further regulation, restraint or prohibition of the manufacture and traffic in intoxicating liquors under a system of state control thereof, and prescribing penalties for violations of the same."
Referred to Committee on Public Morals.

House bill No. 256, by Mr. Williams: An act entitled "An act to amend sections 5, 6, 9, 16 and 19 of chapter 81 of the Laws of 1891, the same being sections 2217, 2218, 2223, 2225 and 2226, volume 1, Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington, entitled 'An act relating to the proper ventilation and safety of coal mines, and prescribing the manner of appointment of inspectors.'"
Referred to Committee on Mines and Mining.

House bill No. 257, by Mr. Williams: An act entitled "An act providing for the correction and revision of a portion of the plat of Seattle tide lands and an appraisement of the lots so revised and corrected, authorizing and prescribing the manner of readjustment of existing rights in accordance therewith, and declaring an emergency."
Referred to Committee on Tide Lands.

House bill No. 258, by Mr. Phelps: An act entitled "An act to
regulate and prescribe the manner in which debts and choses in action, for the payment of money, shall be paid.’’

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 259, by Mr. Phelps: An act entitled ‘‘A bill for the preservation of feathered game.’’

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

House bill No. 260, by Mr. Merrifield: An act entitled ‘‘An act making an appropriation for the relief of T. M. Alvord on account of failure in title to university lands.’’

Referred to Committee on State, School and Granted Lands.

House bill No. 261, by Mr. Williams: An act entitled ‘‘An act providing for the examination of mine foreman and fire bosses in coal mines.’’

Referred to Committee on Mines and Mining.

House bill No. 262, by Mr. Williams: An act entitled ‘‘An act providing for the cancellation of applications, contracts or deeds heretofore received or made for certain portions of the tide lands in the harbors of cities of the first class, prescribing the conditions under which the same may hereafter be disposed of, and declaring an emergency.’’

Referred to Committee on Tide Lands.

House bill No. 263, by Mr. Freeman: An act entitled ‘‘An act to amend section 2 of an act entitled ‘An act in relation to attorneys and counselors at law, providing for admission to the bar,’ approved March 19, 1895.’’

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 264, by Mr. Nelson: An act entitled ‘‘An act to amend section 4 of an act entitled ‘An act to secure creditors a just division of the estates of debtors who convey to assignees for the benefit of creditors,’ approved March 6, 1890.’’

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 265, by Mr. Guie: An act entitled ‘‘An act to provide for paying taxes on part of real estate assessed as one parcel.’’

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

House bill No. 266, by Mr. Marshall: An act to amend section 519, volume 2, Hill’s Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington, relating to redemption of property sold under execution.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS AND AUDITING.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 29, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Claims and Auditing, to whom was referred sundry claims, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives with the recommendation that the following be allowed, each having been carefully examined: To J. L. Holland, for labor, lumber, etc., $14.55; to Jacob L. Brown, for thirty-six yards crash and cost of making, $6.40; to G. B. Moore, for labor, $4.40; to James Dofflemyer, for labor and lumber, $25.34; to J. H. Foults, for stationery and supplies, $35.30.

Respectfully submitted.

C. J. MOORE, Chairman.

On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 30, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Constitutional Revision, to whom was referred House bills Nos. 52, 80, 87, 91 and 200, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives with the request that further time be granted us for considering the same.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

L. E. RADER, Chairman.
J. P. DE MATTOS.
J. C. CONINE.
HANS HANSEN.
J. B. SMITH.
A. W. STUHRMAN.
MILES T. HOOVER.
JOHN A. GILKEY.

On motion, the request was granted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 41, entitled "An act abolishing the office of lieutenant governor," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted.

H. D. JORY, Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 97, entitled "An act in relation to and to prevent the introduction or spread of disease among sheep, and repealing "An act in relation to and to prevent the introduction or spread
of disease among sheep,' approved February 2, 1888," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed. Respectfully submitted. H. D. Jory, Chairman.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

House bill No. 120 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 201 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 117 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 29 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

Joint resolution No. 6 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Joint resolution No. 13 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be adopted.

House bill No. 197 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 187 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that House bill No. 176 be substituted.

House bill No. 107 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 176 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 7 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that House bill No. 176 be substituted.

House bill No. 12 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that House bill No. 176 be substituted.

House bill No. 90 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 86 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 215 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 24 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House joint resolution No. 13 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be adopted.
SPECIAL ORDER.

The hour of 10 o'clock A. M. having arrived, the House took under consideration House bill No. 20, by Mr. Gilkey: An act to amend section 9 of an act entitled "An act providing for the organization, classification, incorporation and government of municipal corporations, and declaring an emergency," and approved March 27, 1890, and to declare an emergency.

On motion, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole House to consider the bill.

The speaker called Mr. Rader to the chair.

The committee arose at 11 o'clock A. M.

The speaker resumed the chair.

The following report was submitted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 30, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your committee of the whole House, to whom was referred House bill No. 20, entitled "An act to amend section 9 of an act entitled 'An act providing for the organization, classification, incorporation and government of municipal corporations, and declaring an emergency,' and approved March 27, 1890, and to declare an emergency," having had consideration on the same, respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

L. E. RADER, Chairman.

On vote the report was adopted, and House bill No. 20 was indefinitely postponed.

Miss Othilia G. Carroll was sworn in as the speaker's secretary by Speaker Cline.

SPECIAL ORDER.

The hour of 11 o'clock A. M. having arrived, the House took under consideration House bill No. 49, by Mr. J. B. Smith, An act entitled "An act providing for the regulation of flouring mills in relation to the maximum rates of toll for custom work, and providing a penalty for the violation of this act."

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House to consider the bill.

The speaker called Mr. Pierson to the chair.

The committee arose at 11:05 A. M.

The speaker resumed the chair.

The following report was submitted:
REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 30, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your committee of the whole house, to whom was referred House bill No. 49, entitled "An act providing for the regulation of flouring mills in relation to the maximum rates of toll for custom work, and providing a penalty for the violation of this act," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

V. R. Pierson, Chairman.

On vote, the report was adopted, and the bill was indefinitely postponed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 28, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 184, entitled "An act relating to dairy products, amending sections two and three of an act approved March 11, 1895, entitled 'An act regulating the manufacture of dairy products, to prevent deception or fraud in the sale of the same or imitations thereof; providing for the appointment of a dairy commissioner and defining his duties, creating a state board of dairy commissioners and defining their duties, imposing certain duties upon chemists of state institutions, providing penalties for violations of this law, making an appropriation, and declaring an emergency,'" have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

CLEVELAND SMITH, Chairman.
GEO. WINDUST.
A. MATHIOT.
G. H. BAKER.
J. O. COUCH.
F. I. PHELPS.
LEWIS LINDSTROM.
C. T. IRVIN.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill passed to third reading.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 28, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 76, entitled "An act amending an act regulating the sale of dairy products, and providing for the appointment of a dairy commissioner,
and repealing a portion thereof," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted. CLEVELAND SMITH, Chairman.

We concur in this report: GEO. WINDUST.
A. MATHIOT.
G. H. BAKER.
J. O. COUCH.
F. I. PHELPS.
LEWIS LINDSTROM.
C. T. IRVIN.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill indefinitely postponed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COUNTIES AND COUNTY BOUNDARIES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 21, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Counties and County Boundaries, to whom was referred House bill No. 60, entitled "An act to provide for the selection of official papers in the various counties of this state, directing the publication of all the county printing therein, and providing the compensation therefor, etc.," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted. A. S. BUSH, Chairman.

We concur in this report: A. MATHIOT.
C. A. MENTZER.
F. I. PHELPS.
JOHN HARGRAVE.

On motion, the report of the committee was adopted, and the bill indefinitely postponed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON COMPENSATION AND FEES OF COUNTY OFFICERS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.
OLYMPIA, WASH, JANUARY 28, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Compensation and Fees of County Officers, to whom was referred House bill No. 17, entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to amend section 6 of an act entitled "An act to prescribe the duties and fix the compensation of the reporter of the supreme court," approved December 20, 1889, and declaring an emergency,' approved February 26, 1891, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to
House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass as amended:

In section 1, line five, printed bill, strike out the words and figures "eighteen hundred ($1,800) dollars" and insert in place thereof the words and figures "fifteen hundred ($1,500) dollars."

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

C. A. Mentzer, Chairman.

D. R. Lusher.

A. Mathiot.

C. F. Clapp.

Lewis Lindstrom.

Phil. M. Smith.

C. S. Barlow.


On vote, the report of the committee was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Gilkey: That all after the enacting clause be stricken out.

On vote, the amendment was lost.

The bill was ordered engrossed, and passed to the third reading.

House of Representatives,

Olympia, Wash., January 28, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Compensation and Fees of County Officers, to whom was referred House bill No. 139, entitled "An act to amend sections 36 and 37 of an act entitled 'An act classifying the counties according to population, enumerating the county officers, fixing the salaries thereof, providing for deputies, collection of fees and payment of salaries,'" presented to the governor March 26, 1890, and which became a law without his approval by reason of his neglect or refusal to approve the same or file the same in the office of the secretary of state within the time prescribed by the constitution, with his objection thereto, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that the same be amended as follows: "Sec. 3. The moneys which, at the time this act shall take effect, shall have been set apart by the county treasurers of the various counties of this state, respectively, as a separate fund, to be known as the salary fund, under the provisions of the law heretofore existing, shall be at once transferred by such county treasurers, respectively, to such fund as shall be applicable to the payment of county warrants generally, except there shall be retained in, and transferred, if necessary, to such salary fund, money sufficient to pay all warrants drawn on such salary fund outstanding at the time this act shall take effect."

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

C. A. Mentzer, Chairman.

D. R. Lusher.

A. Mathiot.

C. F. Clapp.

Lewis Lindstrom.

Phil. M. Smith.

C. S. Barlow.

On vote, the amendment of the committee to insert section 3 was adopted.

On vote, the report was adopted, and the bill ordered engrossed and passed to third reading.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 28, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Compensation and Fees of County Officers, to whom was referred House bill No. 11, entitled "An act regulating the manner of the payment of salaries of county officers, abolishing the fund known as the salary fund, and repealing sections 36 and 37 of an act entitled 'An act classifying counties according to population, enumerating the county officers, fixing the salaries thereof, providing for deputies, collection of fees and payment of salaries,' approved by the governor March 26, 1890, and repealing all acts in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

C. A. MENTZER, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

D. R. LUSHER.
A. MATHIOT.
C. F. CLAPP.
LEWIS LINDSTROM.
PHIL. M. SMITH.
C. S. BARLOW.
GEO. M. WITT.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Mr. Guie moved to adjourn. The motion was lost.

Mr. Day was excused until Monday, February 1st.

Motion by Mr. Scott: That no person shall be excused from attendance unless he shall present his reasons to the House.

On vote, the motion was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 30, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom was referred House bills Nos. 34, 55, 59, 79, 100, 113, and 140, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the request that further time be granted us for considering the same.

Respectfully submitted.

J. P. DE MATTOS, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

W. B. ROBERTS.
C. S. BARLOW.
A. D. WARNER.
C. A. MENTZER.
J. L. LIKINS.
J. C. MERRIFIELD.
On motion, the request was granted. The memorial relating to pensions of veterans of the Indian wars was read.

Referred to Committee on Memorials.

The following House resolution, by Mr. Lusher, was introduced:

Whereas, The school laws of the State of Washington are now scattered through numerous books; that many statutes now on the books are repealed, and that much of the law is rendered inoperative: therefore, be it resolved,

That the Committee on Education act in conjunction with the state superintendent in the work of compiling and codifying the school laws, and that the same be reported to the House for approval.

On motion, the resolution was adopted.

On motion of Mr. McAtee, the House adjourned at 12 o'clock m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House convened at 2 o'clock p.m.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

A quorum being present, business was resumed.

Mr. Warner moved to adjourn until 3 o'clock p.m.

On vote, the motion was lost.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 32 was read the third time and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 45, noes 1, absent or not voting 32.


Noes: Mr. Barlow.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker F. R., Baker G. H., Baker S. W., Caywood, Clapp, Couch, Day, de Mattos, Freeman, Fritz,

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 97 was, on motion of Mr. Jory, made a special order for Tuesday at 11 o’clock A. M.

Consideration of House bills Nos. 94 and 41 was deferred to Monday, February 1st.

The speaker presented a petition from citizens of Whatcom county, relating to fisheries, and the same was read.

Referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

Expense account in Rader vs. Seymore contest.

Referred to Committee on Claims and Auditing.

On motion of Mr. Jory, the House adjourned to Monday at 2 o’clock P. M.

The House adjourned at 2:20 o’clock P. M.

CHAS. E. CLINE, Speaker.

S. P. CARusi, Chief Clerk.

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TWENTY-SECOND DAY.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, Monday, February 1, 1897.

Pursuant to adjournment the House met at 2 o’clock P. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

The roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names except Messrs. Gerry, Powell, Freeman, Couch, de Mattos, Warner, Wolf, Koehler, Kittinger, and Baker S. W.

On motion of Mr. Guie, the minutes of the preceding day were approved without reading.
House bill No. 209 was taken from the Committee on Insurance and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

A petition presented by Mr. P. M. Smith, from citizens of Port Angeles, relating to pilot laws, was read.

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Manufactures.

A petition from the citizens of Tacoma, relating to pilot law, was read by the clerk.

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Manufactures.

A petition from the citizens of Seattle, relating to pilot law, was presented and read by the clerk.

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Manufactures.

A petition from citizens of the Skagit valley, presented by Mr. Wilkeson, relating to fish laws, was read by the clerk.

Referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

A petition from the citizens of Washington was presented by Mr. Wilkeson, relating to bank deposits, and read by the clerk.

Referred to Committee on Banks and Banking.

A petition signed by 1,250 of the citizens of Washington, relating to bank deposits, was presented, and read by the clerk.

Referred to Committee on Banks and Banking.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Concurrent joint resolution No. 7, reported back from committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RAILROADS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

OLYMPIA, WASH., January 30, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred House bills Nos. 9, 54, 99, 102, 103, 122, 136, 149, 167 and 202, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the request that further time be granted your committee for considering the same.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN L. CANUTT, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

THERON STAFFORD.

J. B. SMITH.

J. G. FRITZ.

MILES T. HOOPER.

C. E. MOHUNDRHO.

On motion, the request was granted.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS AND AUDITING.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 30, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Claims and Auditing, to whom was referred the bill of A. W. Wisner, postmaster, for postage stamps:

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Have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be allowed.

Respectfully submitted.

C. J. MOORE, Chairman.
HENRY CARR.
S. D. HICKS.
G. H. BAKER.
JOHN FORBES.

On vote, the report was adopted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 17, entitled an act to amend an act entitled "An act to amend section six (6) of an act entitled 'An act to prescribe the duties and fix the compensation of the reporter of the supreme court,' approved December 20, 1889, and declaring an emergency," approved February 26, 1891, and declaring an emergency, has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted.

MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 139, entitled "An act to amend sections 36 and 37 of an act entitled 'An act classifying the counties according to population, enumerating the county officers, fixing the salaries thereof, providing for deputies, collection of fees and payment of salaries,'" presented to the governor March 26, 1890, and which became a law without his approval by reason of his neglect or refusal to approve the same, or file the same in the office of the secretary of state within the time prescribed by the constitution, with his objection thereto, has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted.

MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

Mr. F. R. Baker moved that the special committee on investigation be ordered to report at once.
Mr. Johnston moved to amend to read "to-morrow at 10 o'clock," instead of at once.

Mr. Tobiassen moved to lay the motion on the table.

On vote, the motion was carried: Ayes 35, noes 32, absent or not voting 11.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker S. W., Couch, de Mattos, Freeman, Gerry, Kittinger, Koehler, Powell, Smith P. M., Warner, and Wolf—11.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced, read first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees:

House bill No. 267, by Mr. Wilkeson: An act relating to the taking of trout and defining the close season, and protecting food fishes and regulating the implanting thereof, and repealing chapter 123 of the Session Laws of 1895, and all laws in conflict therewith.

Referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

House bill No. 268, by Mr. J. M. Edwards: An act to prohibit the killing of deer, elk or moose, at any other time than herein provided.

Referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

House bill No. 269, by Mr. A. S. Bush: An act to amend section seventy-one (71), volume—of the Penal Code of the State of Washington, and defining trespass upon uninclosed premises, and providing punishment therefor.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 270, by Mr. McAtee: An act entitled "An act
relating to the penalty and interest on state, county and municipal taxes which became due and payable in the years 1894 and 1895, and declaring an emergency."
Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.
House bill No. 271, by Mr. Carr: An act entitled "An act providing for discovery shaft, recording notice and marking boundaries of lode mining claims and repealing section 2213, chapter 2, volume 1, Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes."
Referred to Committee on Mines and Mining.
House bill No. 272, by Mr. Fritz: An act entitled "An act to amend section 3 of an act approved March 15, 1895, entitled 'An act to provide for the better protection of the public health in relation to the manufacture and sale of cigarettes.'"
Referred to Committee on Public Morals.
House bill No. 273, by Mr. J. O. Edwards: An act amending section 2534 of title 41 of Hill's Annotated Code of the State of Washington, volume 1, to prevent the signing of contracts by employers and employees, against the provisions of this act.
Referred to Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics.
House bill No. 274, by Mr. Lindstrom: An act regulating the pay of members and employees of the legislature, and declaring an emergency.
Referred to Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.
House bill No. 275, by Mr. Mohundro: An act to compel railroad companies or corporations operating railroads in this state to put in transfer switches.
Referred to Committee on Railroads.
House bill No. 276, by Mr. Rader: A bill for an act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a chair of maternity in the university and the several normal schools of the State of Washington.
Referred to Committee on Education.
House bill No. 277, by Mr. Guie: An act to provide for the visitation of schools, hospitals, asylums, charitable or benevolent institutions and religious houses in this state.
Referred to Committee on Public Morals.
House bill No. 278, by Mr. Ames: An act subjecting the franchises of private corporations to sale upon executions and upon order of sale under foreclosure of mortgage.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.
House bill No. 279, by Mr. Hansen: An act entitled "An act providing that summons and subpoenas in justice's courts may be served by any person of full age and competent to be a witness in the cause, and not a party to the cause, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 280, by Mr. Hansen: An act entitled "An act relating to the combination by a political party of state and congressional officers, and providing for mandamus proceedings in certain cases."

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 281, by Mr. Hansen: An act amending an act entitled "An act exempting the proceeds of life insurance from liability for debt, and declaring an emergency, approved March 20, 1885."

Referred to Committee on Insurance.

House bill No. 282, by Mr. Hansen: An act entitled "An act abolishing the office of fish commissioner, providing for the division of the state into two districts and appointment of commissioner thereto; also amending sections 2568, 2569, 2571, 2572, 2573, and repealing sections 2570 and 2574 of volume 1 of Hill's Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

House bill No. 283, by Mr. Gilkey: An act entitled "An act providing for the organization and regulation of banks, and prescribing penalty for violation of the provisions of this act."

Referred to Committee on Banks and Banking.

House memorial No. 8, by Mr. Hagadorn: Relating to the building of a light house at the mouth of the Quillayute river.

Referred to Committee on Memorials.

House joint resolution No. 15, by Mr. Rader: Relating to the appointing of committees, composed of members of both houses, to visit state institutions.

Referred to Committee on Mileage and Contingent Expenses.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,

OLYMPIA, WASH., January 30, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 118, entitled "An act amending section 4 of an act entitled 'An act in relation to attorneys and counselors..."
at law, providing for admission to the bar, passed by the legislature of the State of Washington, and approved March 19, 1895, and the same is herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 30, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed Senate concurrent resolution No. 9, relative to sergeant-at-arms procuring copies of Session Laws of 1893 and 1895, and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 30, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 6, entitled "An act amending section 28 of the Penal Code of the State of Washington, relating to the crime of rape," and the same is herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 30, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 9, entitled "An act providing for the sale of real property to foreclose liens created for internal improvements in cities of the first class, declaring that such liens shall be a first lien, prohibiting vexatious litigation, providing for the confirmation of assessment rolls, the redemption from sale, and declaring an emergency," and the same is herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HARBORS AND WATERWAYS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 29, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
We, your Committee on Harbors and Waterways, to whom was referred House bill No. 120, entitled "An act to repeal sections one, two, three, four and seven of an act approved March 17, 1890, relating to the powers, rights and duties of corporations organized to build booms and to catch logs and timber products therein," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

J. Z. NELSON, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

J. B. LIBBY.
J. D. HAGADORN.
PAUL LAND.
J. A. GILKEY.

On vote, the bill was ordered to third reading.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND BRIDGES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 29, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Roads and Bridges, to whom was referred House bill No. 201, entitled "An act repealing chapter 123 of the Laws of 1893, providing for the establishment of a system of improved roads in counties, and for the manner of laying out, constructing and maintaining the same," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

F. I. PHELPS, Chairman.
GEO. WINDUST.
J. D. HAGADORN.
C. J. MOORE.
A. S. BUSH.
J. Z. NELSON.
A. T. TOBIASSEN.
C. E. MOHUNDRO.

On vote, the bill was ordered to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HARBORS AND WATERWAYS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 29, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Harbors and Waterways, to whom was referred House bill No. 117, entitled "An act to amend section 4 of an act approved March 18, 1895, entitled 'An act to provide for the organization and incorporation of companies for clearing out and improving rivers and streams in this state, and for the purpose of driving, sorting, holding and delivering logs and other timber products thereon, and fixing maximum tolls therefor,'" have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass with the following amendment:

Strike out the colon after the word "river" in line number 12 of printed bill, and insert the words "emptying into the waters of Puget Sound."

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

J. Z. NELSON, Chairman.
J. D. HAGADORN.
PAUL LAND.
J. A. GILKEY.
J. B. LIBBY.

On vote, the report was adopted, and the bill passed to third reading.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC MORALS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 30, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Public Morals, to whom was referred House bill No. 197, entitled "An act to amend section 35 of the Penal Code, as
compiled in volume 2, Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, defining and punishing the crime of seduction," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted. J. C. CONINE, Chairman.

I concur in this report: MILES T. HOOPER.

On vote, the report was adopted, and the bill passed to third reading.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 30, 1897.

We, your Committee on Public Morals, to whom was referred House bill No. 178, entitled "An act in relation to the use or issue of free passes by or to public officials, providing penalties and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that House bill No. 176 be substituted.

Respectfully submitted. J. C. CONINE, Chairman.

We concur in this report: HANS HANSEN.
MILES T. HOOPER.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 30, 1897.

We, your Committee on Public Morals, to whom was referred House bill No. 12, entitled "An act to prevent the transportation of public officers by common carriers, without charge, or upon terms other than those offered to the general public," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that House bill No. 176 be substituted.

Respectfully submitted. J. C. CONINE, Chairman.

We concur in this report: HANS HANSEN.
MILES T. HOOPER.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 30, 1897.

We, your Committee on Public Morals, to whom was referred House bill No. 7, entitled "An act providing a penalty for public officers of the State of Washington who accept or use a pass, or who purchase transportation from any railroad or other corporation other than as the same may be purchased by the general public," etc., etc., have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives with the recommendation that House bill No. 176 be substituted.

Respectfully submitted. J. C. CONINE, Chairman.

We concur in this report: HANS HANSEN.
MILES T. HOOPER.
Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Public Morals, to whom was referred House bill No. 176, entitled "An act to prohibit any state or county or municipal or precinct officer, elected or appointed to such office, in the State of Washington from accepting or using a pass to ride over or on any line of railroad or other transportation company," etc., have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives with the recommendation that it be amended as follows:

In line 8 of section 5, strike out the word "two" and insert in lieu thereof the word "one." In line 4 of section 5, strike out the words "one year" and insert in lieu thereof the words "six months." Strike out section 6. Section 7 shall be known as section 6. Strike out section 8.

And as so amended that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

J. C. CONINE, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

HANS HANSEN.

MILES T. HOOPER.

On vote, House bill No. 176 was substituted for House bills Nos. 178, 12 and 7, which bills, on motion, were indefinitely postponed.

Amendments by committee to House bill No. 176: In line 3 of section 5 strike out the word "two" and insert in lieu thereof the word "one;" adopted. In line 4 of section 5 strike out the words "one year" and insert in lieu thereof the words "six months;" lost. Strike out section 6; adopted. Section 7 shall be known as section 6; adopted. Strike out section 8; adopted.

On vote, the motion to adopt the report, as amended, was carried.

Amendment by Mr. Forbes: To section 5 after the word "misdemeanor," in line 2, "Provided, That nothing in this act shall be construed to apply to members of fraternal societies going to or from the sessions of their respective grand or supreme lodges."

On vote, the amendment was defeated.

Amendments by Mr. Mohundro: Insert the words "United States senator or other member of congress" after the word "any" in the first line.

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

Also, after the word "any" in the third line of section 3.

The amendment was adopted.

Also, after the word "any" in the first line of section 2.

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Geraghty: Amend by striking out section 6.
The amendment was lost.
The bill was ordered engrossed, and passed to third reading.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC MORALS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 30, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Public Morals, to whom was referred House bill No. 107, entitled "An act to prohibit capital punishment in the State of Washington, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted. J. C. CONINE, Chairman.

I concur in this report: MILES T. HOOPER.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 30, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, a minority of your Committee on Public Morals, to whom was referred House bill No. 107, entitled "An act to prohibit capital punishment in the State of Washington, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted. HANS HANSEN, of Committee.

Mr. Hicks moved to adopt the majority report.

On vote, the majority report was adopted: Ayes 37, noes 31, absent or not voting 10.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker S. W., Couch, de Mattos, Freeman, Gerry, Kittinger, Koehler, Powell, Warner, and Wolf—10.

Amendment by Mr. Gilkey: Insert after the end of first section, "Provided, That no pardon shall be granted to any one imprisoned
for life unless it is clearly proved that such person was not guilty of the crime for which he was convicted.

On vote, the amendment was lost, and the bill ordered to third reading.

Mr. Guie moved to adjourn.

On vote, the motion was lost.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 30, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Constitutional Revision, to whom was referred House bill No. 90, entitled "An act to provide for voting on a constitutional amendment at the general election to be held in November, 1898, relative to amendments to the constitution of the State of Washington," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

L. E. RADER, Chairman.
J. C. CONINE.
HANS HANSEN.
J. B. SMITH.
A. W. STUHRMAN.
J. P. DE MATTOS.
MILES T. HOOPER.
JOHN A. GILKEY.

Amendment by Mr. F. R. Baker: In section 1, lines 3 and 4, strike out, after the first words in section 1, the following: "Section 1 to be amended to read as follows."

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was ordered engrossed and passed to third reading.

By request, House bill No. 162 was called from the Committee on Fisheries and Game and referred to Committee on Tide Lands.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS AND AUDITING.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., FEBRUARY 1, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Claims and Auditing, to whom was referred sundry accounts, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that the following be allowed: To A. W. Wilson, for hauling
stationery, $1.50; to Allen Minshead, for six cords of wood, $15.00; to the Central News Company, $701.77, for stationery and supplies.

Respectfully submitted.

C. J. Moore, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

C. S. Barlow.

Henry Carr.

John Forbes.

John L. Canutt.

Geo. H. Baker.

Phil. M. Smith.

On vote, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC MORALS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, OLYMPIA, WASH., January 30, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Public Morals, to whom was referred House joint resolution No. 13, relating to affidavits of persons who are candidates for United States senator, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be adopted.

Respectfully submitted.

J. C. Conine, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

Hans Hansen.

Miles T. Hooper.

On vote, the resolution was passed to third reading.

By general consent, the following bills were introduced out of order.

House bill No. 284, by Mr. Marshall: An act for the erection and establishment of a state orphan’s home, and to provide for the same.

Read the first time, and referred to Committee on Public Morals.

House bill No. 285, by Mr. Fritz: "An act providing that corporations may be held liable for injuries sustained by employes when resulting from negligence."

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Geraghty, the House adjourned at 4:40 o’clock P. M.

Chas. E. Cline, Speaker.

S. P. Carusi, Chief Clerk.
Pursuant to adjournment, the House convened at 10 o'clock A. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Rev. W. G. M. Hays, of the United Presbyterian Church.

The roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names, except Mr. S. W. Baker, who was excused.

Mr. Guie moved to dispense with the reading of yesterday’s journal.

The motion was lost.

The journal was read, corrected, and approved.

A petition from citizens of Falls City, relating to dairy commissioner, was presented, and read by the clerk.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

A petition from citizens of Clarke, Skamania, and Klickitat counties, relating to state road in said counties, was presented, and read by the clerk.

Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

A communication from citizens of Everett, addressed to Mr. A. D. Warner, relating to age of consent bill, was presented by Mr. Warner, and read.

Referred to Committee on Public Morals.

A petition from citizens of San Juan county, relating to school districts, was presented, and read by the clerk.

Referred to Committee on Education.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 117, entitled “An act to amend section 4 of an act approved March 18, 1893, entitled ‘An act to provide for the organization and incorporation of companies for clearing out and improving rivers and streams in this state, and for the purpose of driving, sorting, holding and delivering logs and other timber products thereon,
and fixing maximum tolls therefor," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.
Respectfully submitted. H. D. Jory, Chairman.

Mr. Speaker:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 176, entitled "An act to prohibit any state or county or municipal or precinct officer, elected or appointed to such office in the State of Washington, from accepting or using a pass to ride over or on any line of railroad or other transportation company, etc., and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.
Respectfully submitted. H. D. Jory, Chairman.

Reports of Standing Committees.

House bill No. 209 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 75 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be amended and passed; minority asking for three days' time.

House bill No. 108 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be amended and passed; minority asking for more time.

House bill No. 131 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 137 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 8 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Resolution, was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 112 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 152 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 135 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 15 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

House bill No. 158 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 65 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.
INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were read first time, ordered printed and referred to appropriate committees:

House bill No. 286, by Mr. H. D. Smith: An act providing for the collection of jury fees in civil actions.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 287, by Mr. Gilkey: An act to amend, and to repeal paragraph two of section 5, chapter 109, of the Session Laws of 1893, an act to establish a general uniform system of common schools in the State of Washington, and declaring an emergency, approved March 10, 1893.
Referred to Committee on Education.

House bill No. 288, by Mr. Lusher: An act to amend an act entitled "An act relating to the state board of horticulture, amending sections 6, 7, 8 and 10 of the act approved February 16, 1891, entitled 'An act to create a state board of horticulture and appropriate money therefor, and declaring an emergency, and providing a penalty for a violation of the provisions of this act'" approved March 11, 1895.
Referred to Committee on Forestry and Horticulture.

House bill No. 289, by Mr. Clapp: An act relating to the acceptance of municipal warrants in payment of taxes.
Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

House bill No. 290, by Mr. J. M. Edwards: An act relating to the duties of the boards of county commissioners and the organization thereof, and declaring an emergency.
Referred to Committee on Counties and County Boundaries.

House bill No. 291, by Mr. Geraghty: An act relating to the qualifications of officers of cities and towns in this state.
Referred to Committee on Municipal Corporations.

House bill No. 292, by Mr. Mathiot (by request): An act to amend chapter 130 of the Laws of 1893, entitled "An act in relation to the fees of state and county officers, witnesses and jurors, and amending section 2086 of the Code of Washington of 1881."
Referred to Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.

House bill No. 293, by Mr. Nelson (by request): An act relative to recognizances, stipulations, bonds and undertakings, and to allow certain corporations to be accepted as surety thereon, and to provide for the payment of the charges of such suretyship on cer-
tain of the same as part of the lawful expense of the principal or principals on the same, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 294, by Mr. Canutt: An act to establish and fix reasonable maximum rates of charges for the transportation of freight by railroad companies and other common carriers doing business in the State of Washington, and to correct abuses and to prevent and prohibit discrimination by railroad companies and other common carriers doing business in the State of Washington, against persons, firms, companies, corporations and localities in the matter of such rates and facilities for shipment, and providing for the due enforcement and observance of the rates so fixed, and providing for penalties by fine or imprisonment or both such fine and imprisonment for a failure to observe the rates and regulations and prohibitions so established and fixed as aforesaid, and providing a method for determining the reasonableness of such rates and regulations, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

House bill No. 295, by Mr. Way: An act to amend sections 3 and 5 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the assessment and collection of taxes in the State of Washington, and declaring an emergency," approved March 23, 1895.

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

House bill No. 296, by Mr. Fritz: An act relating to jury trials and prohibiting courts from taking cases from the jury after trials have commenced.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 297, by Mr. Williams: An act providing for granting new trials and correcting mistakes by justices of the peace, at any time within four days after the rendition of judgment, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 298, by Mr. Kittinger: An act providing that persons indicted or informed against in the superior court may plead guilty and the sentence of the court may be suspended during good behavior and sufficient recognizance being executed, upon showing good behavior for seven years and payment of all costs and all damages the recognizance to be released and the proceedings dismissed, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.
House bill No. 299, by Mr. Freeman: An act reducing the number of superior judges from twenty-one to twelve, and restoring the judicial districts to twelve, as provided by the constitution of the State of Washington.

Referred to Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.

House bill No. 300, by Mr. Rader: An act to amend section 2 of chapter 136 of the Session Laws of the State of Washington, session of 1895, said act being entitled "An act to establish the legal rate of interest in the State of Washington, and to prevent usury."

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House concurrent resolution No. 16, by Mr. Witt: Relating to appointment of committee to draft bills relating to state boards.

Referred to Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINES AND MINING.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 30, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Mines and Mining, to whom was referred a copy of the resolutions adopted by the Washington State Mining Bureau, at a meeting held in Seattle January 27, 1897, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be referred to the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 131.

Respectfully submitted.

J. O. EDWARDS.
FRANK WILKESON.
J. C. KINCAID.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the resolution referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE AND CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., FEBRUARY 1, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Mileage and Contingent Expenses, to whom were referred sundry claims arising from the Rader-Seymore election contest case, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that the following amounts be allowed: To W. B. Seymour, a balance of $2; to H. M. Williams, witness fees $6, mileage $23.40; Henry C. Winslow, witness fees $2, mileage $15.60; to James E. Crawford, witness fees $6, mileage $23.40; to John B. Anderson, witness fees $6, mileage $23.40; to L. A. Blackwell, witness fees $6, mileage $22.40; to C. P. Dam,
witness fees $2, mileage $15.60; to A. G. Lane, witness fees $2, mileage $15.60; to C. E. Cline, telegraph charges, 70 cents; to L. E. Rader $94.50, for attorneys' fees and expenses in contest case, and $14.80 mileage.

Respectfully submitted.

J. G. FRITZ, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

LEWIS LINDSTROM.

L. E. RADER.

R. W. CAYWOOD.

J. PARKER.

Moved by Mr. Roberts to strike out all reference to attorney's fees amounting to fifty dollars.

On vote, the motion was carried.

On vote, the report as amended was adopted.

On motion of Mr. ———, fifty dollars was deducted from the above account, as amount for attorney's fees, making the balance due Mr. L. E. Rader forty-four dollars and fifty cents.

The Committee on Revenue and Taxation asked for more time on House bills Nos. 115 and 168, which, on motion, was granted.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 2, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed House bill No. 30, entitled "An act to amend section 1439 of the General Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington, arranged and annotated by William Lair Hill, concerning the recording of deeds and mortgages," with the following amendments:

Line 5 of printed bill, after word "filing" strike out "or recording" and insert in lieu thereof "for record."

And the same is herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 2, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 21, entitled "An act amending section 2411, volume 1, Hill's Annotated Code of Washington, in relation to an act for bond of contractors for security of laborers."

Also, Senate bill No. 119, defining motions and orders.

Also, Senate bill No. 120, to amend section 3289 of the Code of 1881, relating to the removal and suspension of attorneys.

Also, Senate bill No. 121, amending section 1 of an act entitled "An act relating to new trials, and amending section 282 of the Code of Washington of 1881, and repealing sections 279 and 289 of said Code of 1881," approved February 26, 1881, relating to new trials.

And the same are herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.
STATE OF WASHINGTON

SPECIAL ORDER.

The hour of 11 o'clock A. M. having arrived, the House went into committee of the whole House for the consideration of House bill No. 97: "An act in relation to and to prevent the introduction or spread of disease among sheep, and declaring an emergency."

The speaker called Mr. Hargrave to the chair.

The committee arose at 11:45 A. M.

The speaker resumed the chair, whereupon the following report was submitted:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 2, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your committee of the whole House, to whom was referred House bill No. 97, entitled "An act in relation to and to prevent the introduction or spread of disease among sheep, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it pass as amended:

In section 1, to insert in line 8, after the word "inspection," the words "is unnecessary or.

In section 1, in line 7, strike out the words "and appoint his successor."

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN HARGRAVE, Chairman.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Mr. H. D. Smith moved to lay the amendments on the table.

On vote, the motion was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Roberts: Strike out the two words "when actually" in the first and second lines of sec. 14 and insert in lieu thereof the word "necessarily." Strike out the word "actually" in line three, sec. 14, and insert the word "necessarily."

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Williams, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 73, noes 3, absent or not voting 2.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker S. W. and Day —2.

Moved by Mr. Rader, that the clerk be instructed to cast the same vote on the emergency clause.

The motion was lost.

On vote, the emergency clause was passed: Ayes 67, noes 9, absent or not voting 2.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker S. W. and Day —2.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE.

House bill No. 80 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that a substitute bill be passed.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the House adjourned at 12 o'clock.
AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House convened at 2 o'clock p.m.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

A quorum being present, business was resumed.

House concurrent resolution No. 17, by Mr. Lusher, providing for joint session of education committee of House and Senate, to examine school laws, was read.

On motion of Mr. Lusher, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the resolution considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the resolution passed: Ayes 78.


INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

House bill No. 301, by Mr. Witt: An act amending sections 2, 3, 4, 7 and 8 of an act to establish a bureau of statistics, labor, agriculture and immigration.

Referred to Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics.

House bill No. 302, by Mr. Moore: An act to regulate the leasing of mineral lands belonging to the State of Washington, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Mines and Mining.
MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 2, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The president has signed Senate bill No. 75, entitled "An act appropriating money for clerical assistance in the office of the board of state land commissioners," and the same is herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

In open session, the speaker announced that he had signed Senate bill No. 75.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 90, entitled "An act to provide for voting on a constitutional amendment at the general election to be held in November, 1898, relative to amendments to the constitution of the State of Washington," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. H. D. JORY, Chairman.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 94 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 55, noes 14, absent or not voting 9.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.
House bill No. 41 was read the third time, and placed on final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 57, noes 14, absent or not voting 7.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 139 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill failed to pass: Ayes 26, noes 49, absent or not voting 3.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker S. W., Koehler, and Lindstrom—3.

House bill No. 17 was read third time and placed on final passage.
On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 73, noes 2, absent or not voting 3.


Nees: Messrs. Powell and Straue—2.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker S. W., Marshall, and Wilkeson—3.

On vote, the clerk was instructed to cast the same vote for the emergency clause: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Nees: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 2, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed concurrent resolutions Nos. 12, 13 and 14, relative to appointment of committee to visit Cheney normal school,
New Whatcom normal school, and agricultural college, and the same are herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

House bill No. 184 was read third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 73, noes 0, absent or not voting 5.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker S. W., Kittinger, Pierson, Struve, and Wilkeson—5.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Mr. Ross was called to the chair at 3:15 o'clock p. m.

House bill No. 197 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 63, noes 10, absent or not voting 5.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker S. W., Merrifield, Pierson, Wolf, and Mr. Speaker—5.
There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 90 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was lost: Ayes 42, noes 34, absent or not voting 2.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker S. W., and Wolf—2.

A telegram received from citizens of Ilwaco was read by the clerk.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE BUILDINGS, PUBLIC GROUNDS AND LIBRARIES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 2, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on State Buildings, Public Grounds and Libraries, to whom was referred concurrent resolution No. 11, in reference to office rooms for the state officers, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be adopted.

Respectfully submitted.

DAVID MITCHELL, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

G. B. RICHMOND.
J. O. EDWARDS.
HENRY CARR.
J. H. MARSHALL.
D. R. LUSHER.
JOHN L. CANUTT.
A. W. STUHRMAN.
V. R. PIERSO.
On motion of Mr. Mitchell, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the resolution considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the resolution was adopted: Ayes 74, noes 0, absent or not voting 4.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker S. W., Guie, Powell, and Wolf—4.

A petition from 311 ladies of Seattle, relating to the passage of age of consent bill, was read.

Referred to the Committee on Public Morals.

Speaker Cline resumed the chair at 3:55 o'clock p.m.

House bill No. 107 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 40, noes 35, absent or not voting 3.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to be amended as to emergency clause.

Mr. J. M. Edwards gave notice of his intention to move the reconsideration on House bill No. 90, as follows:

I desire to give notice that I will on to-morrow move a reconsideration of the vote by which House bill No. 90 was defeated.

House bill No. 176 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 65, noes 8, absent or not voting 5.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker G. H., Baker S. W., Guie, Wilkeson, and Wolf — 5.

On vote, the emergency clause was passed: Ayes 61, nays 13, absent or not voting 4.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker G. H., Baker S. W., Guie, and Wolf—4.

Amendment by Mr. F. R. Baker: Strike out the title and substitute the following, "An act relating to the use or issue of free passes or transportation by or to public officials, providing a penalty and declaring an emergency."

On motion, the amendment was adopted.

Moved by Mr. Fritz, that we adjourn.

The motion was lost.

House bill No. 95 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

On motion of Mr. McAtee, the House adjourned at 4:40 o'clock P. M.

S. P. Carusi, Chief Clerk.

TWENTY-FOURTH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, Wednesday, February 3, 1897,
10 o'clock A. M.

The House convened at 10 o'clock A. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

The Rev. J. B. McCallum, of the Christian Church, offered prayer.

Roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names except Messrs. Baker S. W., and Edwards J. O.

The reading of the journal of yesterday was dispensed with, and the same approved on motion of Mr. Phelps.

Mr. J. M. Edwards moved to reconsider the vote on House bill No. 90.

On vote, the motion was carried.

On motion of Mr. Rader, House bill No. 90 was made a special order for 2:30 o'clock P. M. Monday, February 8th.
REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

House bill No. 70 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 74 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 93 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 21 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 215 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 22 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 179 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 51 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 57 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 121 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 160 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 148 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 146 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

Senate bill No. 54 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 129 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed; the minority report that the bill do pass.

House bill No. 128 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 98 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 125 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 132 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.
House bill No. 155 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 109 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 156 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 145 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 123 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES AND GAME.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 2, 1897.

We, your Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House bills Nos. 16, 143, 150, 162, 175, 195, 198, 203, 227, 239, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the request that further time be granted your committee for considering the same.

Respectfully submitted.

HANS HANSEN, Chairman.

E. L. KOEHLER.

J. M. EDWARDS.

B. F. DAY.

W. H. THACKER.

J. Z. NELSON.

J. G. FRITZ.

A. S. BUSH.

We concur in this report.

On motion, the request was granted.

House bills Nos. 221 and 223 were recalled from the Committee on Education, and referred to Committee on State, School and Granted Lands.

SENATE BUSINESS.

House bill No. 30, by Mr. Guie, was returned from the Senate amended.

On motion of Mr. Guie, the House concurred in the amendment of the Senate.

The bill was passed, and sent to the enrolling clerk.

The following Senate bills were read the first time, and referred to appropriate committees:

Senate bill No. 6, by Senator Taylor: An act entitled "An act amending section 28 of the Penal Code of the State of Washington, relating to the crime of rape."
Referred to Committee on Public Morals.

Senate bill No. 9, by Senator Plummer: An act entitled "An act providing for the sale of real property to foreclose liens created for internal improvements in cities of the first class, declaring that such liens shall be a first lien, prohibiting vexatious litigation, providing for the confirmation of assessment rolls, the redemption from sale, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.


Referred to Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics.

Senate bill No. 118, by Senate Judiciary Committee: An act entitled "An act amending section 4 of an act entitled 'An act in relation to attorneys and counselors at law, providing for admission to the bar,' and approved March 19, 1895."

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senate concurrent resolution No. 9, by Senator High: Relating to procuring copies of Session Laws of 1893 and 1895 for members of House and Senate, by the sergeant-at-arms; also a copy of the journal of each house, of session of 1895, for each member.

Mr. C. P. Bush moved that the resolution be read the second and third times, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the motion was lost, and the resolution referred to Committee on Mileage and Contingent Expenses.

Concurrent resolution No. 12, by Senator Dorr: Relative to the appointment of a committee to visit the New Whatcom normal school.

Referred to Committee on Normal Schools.

Concurrent resolution No. 13, by Senator Cole: Relative to the appointment of a committee to visit the Cheney normal school.

Referred to Committee on Normal Schools.

Concurrent resolution No. 14, by Senator Crow: In relation to the appointment of a committee to investigate the agricultural college.

Referred to Committee on Agricultural College and School of Science.

Senate bill No. 119, by Senate Committee on Judiciary: An act defining motions and orders.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.
Senate bill No. 120, by Senate Committee on Judiciary: An act to amend section 3289 of the Code of 1881, relating to the removal and suspension of attorneys.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, ordered printed and referred to appropriate committees:

House bill No. 303, by Mr. C. P. Bush: An act to create a state board of horticulture, and appropriating money therefor.
Referred to Committee on Forestry and Horticulture.

House bill No. 304, by Mr. C. P. Bush: An act abolishing the office of adjutant general, and providing for the performance of the duties of the said adjutant general.
Referred to Committee on Soldiers' Home.

House bill No. 305, by Mr. Richmond: An act to prohibit bulls from running at large.
Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

House bill No. 306, by Mr. Geraghty: An act to amend sections 1 and 2 of an act entitled “An act to amend sections 58, 59 and 60 of title 2, chapter 2 of volume 2 of the General Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington, as arranged and annotated by William Lair Hill, providing the manner of drawing and certifying lists of grand and petit jurors, and declaring an emergency,” approved March 19, 1895.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 307, by Mr. Koehler: An act to provide for the establishment of a state road from Grand Forks, on the Wishkah river, in Chehalis county, to La Push, in Clallam county, Washington.
Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

House bill No. 308, by Mr. C. Smith: An act to provide for the incorporation, and to regulate the business of co-operative mining companies.
Referred to Committee on Mines and Mining.
House bill No. 309, by Mr. C. Smith: An act for the protection of persons storing grain in warehouses, and providing a penalty.
Referred to Committee on Agriculture.
House bill No. 310, by Mr. Gilkey: An act to establish and maintain a fish hatchery on the Chehalis river or one of its tributaries, and making an appropriation therefor.
Referred to Committee on Appropriations.
House bill No. 311, by Mr. de Mattos: An act providing for the proper charge of rebate allowed on taxes, and the proper disposition of penalties and interest collected on the delinquent taxes.
Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.
House bill No. 312, by Mr. Likins: An act making an appropriation for the state normal school at New Whatcom, Washington.
Referred to Committee on Appropriations.
House bill No. 313, by Mr. de Mattos: An act to amend section 227 of the Penal Code of the State of Washington, arranged and annotated by William Lair Hill, concerning the discharge of ballast in navigable waters.
Referred to Committee on Harbors and Waterways.
House bill No. 314, by Mr. Ross: An act providing for the safety of passengers on street railways, and declaring an emergency.
Referred to Committee on Municipal Corporations.
House bill No. 315, by Mr. Ross: An act to repeal an act to provide for the economical management of county affairs, Statutes of 1893, approved March 15, 1893.
Referred to Committee on Counties and County Boundaries.
House bill No. 316, Mr. G. H. Baker: An act amending section 12 of title 4 of an act to establish a general uniform system of common schools in the State of Washington, and declaring an emergency.
Referred to Committee on Education.

SECOND READING OF BILLS.
Moved by Mr. Warner to go into the committee of the whole House for the consideration of House bill No. 1.
Moved as substitute by Mr. Hodgdon that the bill be indefinitely postponed.
On vote, the bill was indefinitely postponed.
MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Public Morals, to whom was referred House bill No. 29, entitled "An act to provide for the custody and control of minor children in certain cases," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

J. C. CONINE, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

MILES T. HOOPER.

HANS HANSEN.

On motion of Mr. Powell, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mrs. Fannie Austin was sworn in, as assistant engrossing clerk, by Speaker Cline.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Constitutional Revision, to whom was referred House bill No. 86, entitled "An act to provide for voting on a constitutional amendment at the general election to be held in November, 1898, relative to the salaries of state officers," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed, for the reason that its provisions are covered by House bill No. 52, which is at present receiving the consideration of this committee.

Respectfully submitted.

L. E. RADER, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

J. P. DE MATTOS.

J. C. CONINE.

HANS HANSEN.

J. B. SMITH.

A. W. STUHRMAN.

MILES T. HOOPER.

JOHN A. GILKEY.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill indefinitely postponed.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Constitutional Revision, to whom was referred House bill No. 25, entitled "An act to provide for voting on a constitutional amendment at the general election to be held in November, 1898, relative to the jurisdiction and powers of the supreme court," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back
to the House of Representatives with the recommendation that it be amended as follows:

That the word "import," on line 11 of section 1 in the printed bill, be stricken out and the word "impost" inserted in its place.

That the said bill do pass as herein amended.
Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

L. E. RADER, Chairman.
J. P. DE MATTOS.
J. C. CONINE.
HANS HANSEN.
J. B. SMITH.
A. W. STUHRMAN.
MILES T. HOOPER.
JOHN A. GILKEY.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill passed to third reading.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 30, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Constitutional Revision, to whom was referred House bill No. 24, entitled "An act to provide for voting on a constitutional amendment at the general election to be held in November, 1898, relative to the qualifications of electors," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives with the recommendation that it do pass.
Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

L. E. RADER, Chairman.
J. P. DE MATTOS.
J. C. CONINE.
HANS HANSEN.
JOHN A. GILKEY.
J. B. SMITH.
A. W. STUHRMAN.
MILES T. HOOPER.

On motion, the bill was passed to third reading.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC MORALS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 30, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Public Morals, to whom was referred joint resolution No. 6, relating to affidavits of persons who are candidates for United States senator, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.
Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

J. C. CONINE, Chairman.
MILES T. HOOPER.
HANS HANSEN.
On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill indefinitely postponed.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 30, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Public Morals, to whom was referred concurrent joint resolution No. 7, in relation to affidavits of persons who are candidates for United States senator, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

MILES T. HOOPER.
HANS HANSEN.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill indefinitely postponed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINES AND MINING.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 30, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Mines and Mining, to whom was referred House bill No. 131, entitled "An act amending the duties of state geologist," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

HENRY CARR, Chairman.
J. O. EDWARDS.
FRANK WILKESON.
J. C. KINCAID.
L. J. MCAFEE.
F. I. PHELPS.
J. H. MARSHALL.
THERON STAFFORD.
E. H. GIUE.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill indefinitely postponed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., FEBRUARY 2, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Insurance, to whom was referred House bill No. 209, entitled "An act relative to recognizance, stipulations, bonds and undertakings," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, at request of the speaker, the same having been referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Respectfully submitted.

L. J. MCAFEE, Chairman.
On motion, the request was granted, and the bill referred to
Committee on Judiciary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 1, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was re­
ferred House bill No. 137, entitled “An act providing for the registra­
tion of voters in all school elections, in districts having a population of
10,000 or more inhabitants, and regulating elections in such districts, have
had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same
back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it
be amended as follows: Strike out all of section 5 between last word
“female,” second line, and word “shall,” same line, and insert after the
word “reside,” line 4, “if otherwise legally qualified.”

Section 13, strike out balance of section after word “appointed,” in
line 5, and recommend it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

Paul Land.
Robt. Gerry.
John Hargrave.

Amendment: Strike out all of section 5 between the word “fe­
male,” in line 2, and the word “shall” in same line.

The amendment was lost.

Insert after the word “reside,” in line 4, “if otherwise legally
qualified.”

The amendment carried.

In section 13, strike out balance of section after the word “ap­
pointed” in line 5.

The amendment carried.

On vote, the report as amended was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Warner: Amend section 5, line 2, by insert­ing
the words “who are of the age of twenty-one years,” after the
word “female.”

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. F. R. Baker: Strike out the word “other­
wise” in section 5, line 1.

The amendment was withdrawn.

Amendment by Mr. Johnston: Insert the words “if legally quali­
fied” after the word “female” in line 2, section 5.

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Gilkey: “Or a married woman if not of
that age” after the word “days” in line 2, section 8.
The amendment was lost.
Amendment by Mr. Ross: Strike out all after the word "qualification" in line 4.
Moved by Mr. Land, to re-refer the bill to the Committee on Education.
The motion carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMPENSATION AND FEES OF STATE AND COUNTY OFFICERS.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers, to whom was referred House bill No. 8, entitled "An act providing for a board of state affairs, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

C. A. MENTZER, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

LEWIS LINDSTROM.
A. MATHIOT.
HANS HANSEN.
GEO. M. WITT.
C. S. BARLOW.
C. F. CLAPP.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill indefinitely postponed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FEDERAL RELATIONS AND IMMIGRATION.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Federal Relations and Immigration, to whom was referred House bill No. 15, entitled "An act to repeal an act to provide for state grain weighing and grading, creating the office of state grain inspector, establishing a state grain commission, and making an appropriation of $9,000," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Respectfully submitted.

A. W. STUHRMAN, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

A. MATHIOT.
THOS. WINSOR.
JAS. HUGH ROSS.
JOHN FORBES.

On motion, the report was adopted.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE UNIVERSITY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 2, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on State University, to whom was referred House bill No. 158, entitled "An act to amend section 1 of an act entitled 'An act prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors on or near the grounds of the university of Washington,'" have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

J. A. Gilkey, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

J. Parker.
Miles T. Hooper.
V. R. Piersen.
David Mitchell.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill indefinitely postponed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 2, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Constitutional Revision, to whom was referred House bill No. 80, entitled "An act to provide for voting on a constitutional amendment at the general election to be held in November, 1898, relating to the legislative power of the legislature and electors," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that the bill hereto attached be substituted therefor, and that said substitute do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

L. E. Rader, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

Thos. Winsor.
Miles T. Hooper.
J. C. Conine.
Hans Hansen.
J. O. Edwards.
J. B. Smith.
D. R. Lusher.
John A. Gilkey.
E. T. Way.
Phil. M. Smith.

On motion, the bill was substituted and passed to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 1, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 95, entitled "An act providing for the levy, collection and disburse-
ment of an inheritance tax, and declaring an emergency," have had the
same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to
the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be
amended as follows: In line 1, section 1, strike out the word "ten" and
insert in lieu thereof the word "five;" in line 2 of section 1, strike out
the word "ten" and insert in lieu thereof the word "twenty;" in line 2
of section 2, strike out the word "ten" and insert in lieu thereof the
word "five," and as so amended that the same do pass.
Respectfully submitted.

S. T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

J. B. JOHNSTON.

W. L. FREEMAN.

F. R. BAKER.

H. D. SMITH.

J. P. DE MATTOS.

E. H. GUINE.

H. K. STRUVE.

On motion, the first and second amendments were adopted, and
the third amendment lost.

On vote, the report of the committee was adopted as amended.

Amendment by Mr. Roberts: Add after section 5 the words,
"Provided, This act shall not apply to estates having direct heirs."
On vote, the amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Hodgdon: To make a graduated tax in-
creasing of 5 per cent. on each ten thousand above $10,000.
It was moved by Mr. F. R. Baker to re-refer the bill.
On vote, the bill was re-referred.

On motion of Mr. Roberts, the House adjourned at 11:55 o'clock
A. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House convened at 2 o'clock p.
m.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

There being a quorum present, the business of the House was
taken up.

THIRD READING OF BILLS:

House bill No. 120 was read the third time, and placed on its
final passage.
On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 65, noes 1, absent or not vot-
ing 12.

Noes: Mr. Hargrave.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker S. W., Couch, de Mattos, Freeman, Gerry, Jory, Levin, Mathiot, Merrifield, McAtee, Powell, and Stafford — 12.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 3, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 13, entitled "An act relating to assignments and satisfactions of mortgages," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 3, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 103, entitled "An act to amend sections 12 and 13 of an act entitled An act to define, regulate and govern the state penitentiary and declaring an emergency," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 3, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 94, entitled "An act to define the qualifications of county superintendent of public schools, and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 3, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 16, entitled "An act to amend sections 1075 and 1076, of volume 2, Hill's Annotated Code and Statutes
Mr. Williams moved that the special committee on investigation be excused from the afternoon session.

On vote, the motion was carried: Ayes 43, noes 25, absent or not voting 10.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker S. W., Couch, de Mattos, Freeman, Gerry, Jory, Mathiot, Merrifield, Powell, Warner—10.

The following resolution was introduced by Mr. Geraghty:

Resolved. That the special committee of this House, appointed to investigate charges of corruption in the election of a United States senator, be ordered to report their findings to this House immediately.

On motion; the resolution was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Kittinger, House bill No. 201 was made a special order for Friday, at 10 o'clock A. M.

House bill No. 117, was read the third time and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 70, noes 0, absent or not voting 8.

Thacker, Tobiassen, Warner, Williams, Winsor, Wilkeson, Way, Witt, Wolf, Windust, and Mr. Speaker—70.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker S. W., Couch, de Mattos, Freeman, Geraghty, Gerry, Jory, and Powell—8.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House joint resolution No. 13 was read and placed on its final passage.

On motion, the resolution was returned to second reading.

Amendment by Mr. Rader: "Provided, That this committee shall also be empowered to initiate and propose legislation to cure defects in the control and management of any state institution, or in relation to the conduct of any state officer, and such other legislation as the committee's investigations and deliberations may show to be necessary; and said committee shall cause such measures to be printed and copies forwarded to each member-elect and placed upon the desks of the same of the sixth regular session of the Washington legislature."

On motion, the amendment was adopted.

Moved by Mr. Williams, that the resolution be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Ross was called to the chair at 3 o'clock P. M.

Moved by Mr. C. P. Bush, to make joint resolution No. 13 a special order for Thursday, February 18, at 10 o'clock A. M.

The motion was carried.

Mr. Ross offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

AMENDMENT TO HOUSE RULES.

Rule 37½. That in the event of committees having a number of bills on the same subject, of which none can be agreed upon by the committee, and it is their wish to present a different bill upon the same subject, such bill must be reported to the House and accepted before any of the other bills can be recommended for indefinite postponement.

Moved by Mr. Ross, that the rules be suspended and the resolution be passed.

The motion was carried.

On vote, the rule was adopted and ordered printed.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Mohundro, and its adoption moved:

Resolved by this House, That no newspapers be allowed sold within the bar of this House while the House is in session, and, also, that the pages
of this House be not allowed to sell newspapers while in the employ of this House.

On vote, the resolution was lost.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees:

House bill No. 318, by Mr. Winsor: An act providing for the disposition of certain funds collected for road purposes from the property subsequently included within the corporate limits of any city or town.

Referred to Committee on Municipal Corporations.

House bill No. 319, by Mr. Mitchell: An act to promote and protect the horticultural interests of the State of Washington; to provide for the appointment of two commissioners of horticulture; the division of the state into two horticultural districts; to repeal certain laws in conflict therewith; to appropriate money therefor, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Forestry and Horticulture.

House bill No. 320, by Mr. Levin: An act amending sections 69, 72 and 73 of chapter 124 of the Laws of 1893, as amended by sections 14, 15 and 21 of chapter 173 of the Laws of 1895, relating to revenue, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.


Referred to Committee on State Buildings, Public Grounds and Libraries.

House bill No. 322, by Mr. Pierson: An act establishing the state museum at the university of Washington.

Referred to Committee on State University.

House bill No. 323, by Mr. Pierson: An act making the high schools of the state available to all residents of the state free of tuition, and making an appropriation therefor.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

House bill No. 324, by Mr. Gilkey: An act to amend an act entitled an act directing the state treasurer to invest certain money in the tide land fund in general warrants, and declaring an emergency, approved January 22, 1897.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.
A petition from citizens of Clallam county, relating to pilot laws, was read.
Referred to Committee on Commerce and Manufactures.
A petition from citizens of Skagit county, relating to dairy commissioner, was read.
Referred to Committee on Agriculture.
Moved by Mr. Gilkey: That the sergeant-at-arms have several large cards "No smoking" printed and placed in conspicuous places in the House.
The motion was adopted.
House bill No. 65 was, by request of J. O. Edwards, re-referred to Committee on Mines and Mining.
Moved, by Mr. Jory: That the vote by which House bill No. 197 was passed be reconsidered.
On vote, the motion was lost.
Mr. Libby was excused until Friday, February 5, at 12 M.
Mr. F. R. Baker was excused from to-morrow's session.
Mr. Rader was excused for two days.
Mr. Phelps was excused until 2 o'clock p. m. to-morrow.
On motion, the House adjourned at 3:30 o'clock p. m.

S. P. Carusi, Chief Clerk.

CHAS. E. CLINE, Speaker.

TWENTY-FIFTH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Washington, Thursday, February 4, 1897.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met in session at 10 o'clock A. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.
Prayer was offered by Rev. A. G. Swain of the Baptist Church.
The roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names except Messrs. Libby, Baker F. R., Rader and Phelps, excused.
Moved by Mr. Scott to dispense with reading of the journal.
On vote, the motion was lost.
The journal was read and approved.
REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 30, entitled "An act to amend section 1439 of volume 1 of the General Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington, arranged and annotated by William Lair Hill, concerning the recording of deeds and mortgages," has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. H. D. JORY, Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 25, entitled "An act to provide for voting on a constitutional amendment at the general election to be held in November, 1898, relative to the jurisdiction and powers of the supreme court," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 317, substituted for House bill No. 80, entitled "An act to provide for voting on an amendment to section 1 of article 2 of the constitution of the State of Washington, embodying the right of direct legislation by the people," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. H. D. JORY, Chairman.

A petition, signed by thirty-one citizens of Washington, relating to revenue exemption on personal property, was read and referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

A petition from certain ministers of the gospel of Walla Walla, relating to services at the penitentiary, was read and referred to Committee on State Penitentiary.

A petition from two hundred and forty citizens of Shoalwater Bay, relating to fish traps, was read and referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

A petition from citizens of Chehalis county, relating to a fish hatchery on the Chehalis river, was read and referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Senate concurrent resolution No. 12 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.
House bill No. 173 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be re-referred to Committee on Dykes and Drainage.

House bill No. 246 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 222 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass; minority report that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 249 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 245 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 240 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 234 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 15 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed; minority report that it do pass.

House bill No. 231 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed; minority report that it do pass.

House bill No. 137 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 243 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 282 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 225 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended; minority report that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 81 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 217 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 206 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 186 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.
House bill No. 199 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.
House bill No. 126 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.
House bill No. 238 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.
House bill No. 103 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.
House bill No. 54 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.
House bill No. 102 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE NORMAL SCHOOLS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 3, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on State Normal Schools, to whom was referred House bill No. 104, entitled "An act to appropriate money to pay for material furnished on account of the state normal school at Cheney, Washington," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the request that the committee be given more time.

Respectfully submitted.

J. L. Likins, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

Miles T. Hooper.

Willis L. Ames.

Charles H. Wolf.

B. S. Scott.

On motion, the request was granted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HARBORS AND WATERWAYS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 3, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Harbors and Waterways, to whom was referred House bill No. 173, entitled "An act to provide for the removal of certain obstructions in the Colville river, Stevens county, and making an appropriation therefor," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be referred to Committee on Dykes, Drains and Drainages.

Respectfully submitted.

J. Z. Nelson, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

John A. Gilkey.

J. G. Fritz.

Paul Land.

J. D. Hagadorn.

J. B. Libby.

On motion, the request was granted.
MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 247, entitled "An act to encourage the production of long line fiber of flax grown in the State of Washington," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the request that your committee be granted further time for considering the same.

Respectfully submitted.

CLEVELAND SMITH, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

LEWIS LINDSTROM.

JOHN FORBES.

GEO. WINDUST.

F. I. PHELPS.

G. H. BAKER.

C. T. IRVIN.

On motion, the request was granted.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 204, entitled "An act to amend section 2506 of volume 1 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, relating to domestic animals running at large," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be referred to the Committee on Public Morals.

Respectfully submitted.

CLEVELAND SMITH, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

JOHN FORBES.

GEO. WINDUST.

F. I. PHELPS.

G. H. BAKER.

C. T. IRVIN.

LEWIS LINDSTROM.

On motion, the request was not granted, and the bill was referred to Committee on Agriculture.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics, to whom was referred House bill No. 71, entitled "An act making it unlawful for any employer or employers of labor to pay the wages of workmen by them
employed, in either store goods, merchandise, written or verbal orders, or time checks, and providing punishment for the violation thereof," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

PAUL LAND, Chairman.
V. R. PIERSOON.
J. D. HAGADORN.
J. O. EDWARDS.
JOHN A. GILKEY.
D. R. LUSHER.
E. H. GUIE.
F. I. PHELPS.
CLEVELAND SMITH.
J. M. EDWARDS.

On motion, the request was granted.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 8, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics, to whom was referred House bill No. 118, entitled "An act to secure the payment of laborers and men who furnish material, and declaring the liability of sureties on bonds for the faithful performance of contracts," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

PAUL LAND, Chairman.
E. H. GUIE.
D. R. LUSHER.
J. D. HAGADORN.
J. O. EDWARDS.
JOHN A. GILKEY.
F. I. PHELPS.
V. R. PIERSOON.
CLEVELAND SMITH.
J. M. EDWARDS.

On motion, the request was granted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 8, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 196, entitled "An act to prohibit contracts on state, county and municipal work," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the
recommendation that it be taken from the Committee on Judiciary and referred to the Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics.

Respectfully submitted.  
SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

We concur in this report:  
H. D. SMITH.  
E. W. WAY.  
J. M. GERAGHTY.  
J. P. DE MATTOS.  
E. H. GIE.  
J. B. JOHNSTON.  
W. L. FREEMAN.  
W. H. THACKER.  
A. D. WARNER.  
H. K. STRUVE.

On motion, the request was granted.

The following resolution by Mr. Jory, was read and its adoption moved.

Resolved, That the engrossing clerk be authorized to rent a typewriting machine for the use of the enrolling and engrossing department, at a rental of five dollars per month.

On vote, the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Williams was called to the chair at 10:45 o'clock A. M.

SENATE BUSINESS.

Senate bill No. 16, by Senator Easterday: An act to amend sections 1075 and 1076 of volume 2, Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, relating to the order of payment of debts of decedents.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Senate bill No. 13, by Senator Easterday: An act relating to the assignment of mortgages.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Senate bill No. 94, by Senator Keith: An act to determine the qualifications of county superintendents of common schools.

Referred to Committee on Education.

Senate bill No. 103, by Senator Yeend: An act to amend sections 12 and 13 of an act entitled "An act to define, regulate and govern the state penitentiary, and declaring an emergency," approved March 9, 1891.

Referred to Committee on Penitentiary.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees:
House bill No. 325, by Mr. Forbes: An act relative to pension money.
  Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 326, by Mr. Gilkey: An act to provide for the use of wagons with wide rims, on the public highways of Washington.
  Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

House bill No. 327, by Mr. Carr: An act providing for the payment of the fees of grand and petit jurors, and declaring an emergency.
  Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 328, by Mr. de Mattos: An act to permit interested persons to sue upon certain bonds, without assignment, and declaring an emergency.
  Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 329, by Mr. Hagadorn: An act to provide for the slashing of timber and brush on county roads.
  Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

House bill No. 330, by Mr. Hagadorn: An act giving to the owners of tide lands or to persons who have contracts with the state for the purchase of tide lands, the exclusive right to fish in the waters thereof.
  Referred to Committee on Tide Lands.

House bill No. 331, by Mr. Williams: An act to require street railroad companies to equip their cars with emergency brakes, and providing a penalty.
  Referred to Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics.

House bill No. 332, by Mr. Wilkeson: An act for the relief of William Monks, and declaring an emergency.
  Referred to Committee on Claims and Auditing.

House bill No. 333, by Mr. A. S. Bush: An act to provide for the working of state and county prisoners on the public highways of the State of Washington.
  Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

House bill No. 334, by Mr. Land: An act to aid in the support of the university of Washington.
  Referred to Committee on State University.

House bill No. 335, by Mr. A. S. Bush: An act to provide for the collection of road poll taxes, and making it a qualification for voting.

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Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

House bill No. 336, by Mr. Mitchell: An act relative to recognizances, bonds and undertakings, and to allow certain corporations to be accepted as surety thereon, and to provide for the payment of the charges of such suretyship on certain of the same as part of the lawful expense of the principal or principals of the same, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 337, by Mr. C. Smith: An act in relation to the election of United States senator.

Referred to Committee on Memorials.

House bill No. 338, by Mr. Witt: An act providing for the publication of summonses, notices of sale and other court notices.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 339, by Mr. Pierson: An act to prevent persons attending theatrical or other performances, where an admission fee is charged, from wearing upon his or her head that which may obstruct the view of any person or persons during the performance in a theater, hall, opera house or building where such performance is given, prescribing a penalty for the violation of the same, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Public Morals.

House bill No. 340, by Committee on Water, Water Rights and Irrigation (substitute for House bills Nos. 75 and 108: An act accepting the terms of the act of congress, approved April 18, 1894, and the act amendatory thereof, providing for the reclamation, settlement and disposition of the one million acres of arid land granted therein, making appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.

Bill ordered printed and made special order for February 18th, at 2:30 P.M.

House bill No. 341, by Mr. Kittinger: An act to amend section 14 of an act entitled "An act providing liens upon saw logs, spars, piles or other timbers, and upon lumber and shingles, and concerning the remedy to secure and obtain such liens, and the benefit thereof, and the manner and procedure of obtaining the same," which act was approved on March 15, 1893, and is known as chapter 132, on pages 432 and 433 of the Laws of Washington for the year 1893.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.
House concurrent resolution, by Mr. Marshall: Relating to a committee for investigation of the hospital for the insane at Steilacoom.

Referred to the Committee on Hospitals for the Insane.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINES AND MINING.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 30, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Mines and Mining, to whom was referred House bill No. 112, entitled “An act to regulate the weighing and measuring of coal mined in this state,” have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows:

In section 2, line 7 of printed bill, after the word “he,” insert the words “or they;” in section 3, line 3, strike out the word “more” and in lieu thereof insert the word “less;” in the same line, after the word “dollars,” insert the words “nor more than a thousand;” strike out all of section 5; and as so amended, said bill do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

HENRY CARR, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

J. O. Edwards.
FRANK WILKESON.
J. C. KINCAID.
L. J. MCATEE.
J. H. MARSHALL.
F. I. PHELPS.
E. H. GUE.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill passed to its third reading.

On motion of Mr. Williams, House bill No. 340, with House bills Nos. 75 and 108, were ordered printed, and made a special order for February 18, at 2:30 o’clock P. M., in the committee of the whole House.

Amended by Mr. Jory, to read Friday next.

On vote, the amendment was lost.

Moved by Mr. Jory, to reconsider the vote whereby the motion to make a special order for Friday was lost.

On vote, the motion was lost.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINES AND MINING.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 30, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Mines and Mining, to whom was referred House bill No. 152, entitled “An act to provide for the recovery of the
bodies of workmen enclosed or entombed in coal mines, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass."

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

HENRY CARR, Chairman.

J. O. EDWARDS.

FRANK WILKESON.

J. C. KINCAID.

L. J. McATEE.

J. H. MARSHALL.

F. I. PHELPS.

THERON STAFFORD.

Amendment by Mr. McAtee: Strike out the words “or workmen shall heretofore have been or,” in line one, section one.

On vote, the amendment was adopted, and the bill ordered engrossed and passed to third reading.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 4, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has indefinitely postponed House bill No. 41, entitled "An act abolishing the office of lieutenant governor," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 4, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The president of the Senate has signed House bill No. 30, and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 4, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed House concurrent resolution No. 17, relative to appointment of committee to examine Superintendent Browne's codification of school laws, and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 4, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate concurrent resolution No. 16, relative to visit of committee to school for defective youth, and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINES AND MINING.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 30, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Mines and Mining, to whom was referred House bill No. 135, entitled "An act for the protection of persons work-
ing in coal mines, and declaring an emergency," have had the same un-
der consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House
of Representatives with the recommendation that it be amended as fol-
low: In section 1, line 2 of printed bill, after the word "not," strike out
the words "than ten nor." [Lost.] In section 2, line 6, strike out the
word "the" and insert in lieu thereof the word "as." In lines 6 and 7 of
said section strike out all after the word "compensation" and insert in
lieu thereof the words "five dollars per day, and five cents per mile for
distance necessarily traveled." [Adopted.] In section 4, line 1, strike
out the word "and" after the word "agent" and insert "or." In line 10
of said section strike out the word "and" after the word "air." [Adopted.]
In section 6, line 2, strike out the words "not less than" after the word "unless." In said section and line insert after the word
"men" the words "or more." [Adopted.] In section 9 strike out all of
line 3 after the word "machinery." In line 4 of said section strike out
the words "of serious interruption of ventilation." [Adopted.] Strike
out all of section 10. [Adopted.] Strike out the words "sec. 11" and
insert in lieu thereof the words "sec. 10." [Adopted.] And that as so
amended said bill do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

HENRY CARR, Chairman.
J. O. EDWARDS.
FRANK WILKESON.
J. C. KINCAID.
L. J. McATEE.
J. H. MARSHALL.
F. I. PHELPS.
E. H. GUUE.
THERON STAFFORD.

Amendment by Mr. Richmond: After the word "traveling," in
line 22, section 1, insert the words "at the rate of five cents per
mile."

The amendment was withdrawn.

Amendment by Mr. Warner: Strike out the word "mileage"
and insert the words "necessary expenses," in line 22, section 1.

On vote, the amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Kittinger: Strike out the words "and as
much more as the inspector may direct," in section 4, line 5.

On vote, the amendment was defeated.

Amendment by Mr. C. P. Bush: In line 21, section 1 of printed
bill, strike out the words and figures "fifteen hundred (1,500)"
and insert in place thereof the words and figures "one thousand
(1,000)."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Scott: In line 4, section 1, insert the words,
“Provided, That there shall be appointed but one inspector until sixty coal mines shall be in operation in the state.”

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Warner: Amend line 25 by inserting after the word “salary” the words “and necessary traveling expenses.”

The amendment was withdrawn.

Amendment by Mr. Gilkey: After words “per day,” in line 6, section 2, insert the words “while necessary, and actually employed.”

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. J. B. Smith: In line 8, section 6, strike out the words “render the offender liable to” and insert the words “be guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable with.”

The amendment was lost.

On vote, the bill was passed to third reading, and ordered engrossed.

On motion, the House adjourned at 12 o’clock M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House convened at 2 o’clock p. m.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

A quorum being present, business was resumed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REVENUE AND TAXATION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES;

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 1, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Revenue and Taxation, to whom was referred House bill No. 70, entitled “An act extending the time for payment of taxes, remitting penalties and interest, and declaring an emergency,” have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

E. W. WAY, Chairman.
W. L. FREEMAN.
B. F. DAY.
S. D. HICKS.
LEWIS LINDSTROM.
C. A. MENTZER.
B. S. SCOTT.
A. W. STUHRMAN.
On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill indefinitely postponed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON STATE, SCHOOL AND GRANTED LANDS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 2, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on State, School and Granted Lands, to whom was referred House bill No. 74, entitled "An act to amend 'An act concerning the formation of school districts, changing the boundaries, and transferring territory from one district to another,' approved March 9, 1893," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

J. C. MERRIFIELD, Chairman.
J. M. EDWARDS.
PHIL. M. SMITH.
J. L. LIKINS.
J. B. JOHNSTON.
PAUL LAND.

Moved by Mr. Scott to refer the bill to the Committee on Education.

On vote, the motion was carried.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 2, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on State School and Granted Lands, to whom was referred House bill No. 93, entitled "An act to perfect the title of the State of Washington in and to certain lands, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

J. C. MERRIFIELD, Chairman.
J. M. EDWARDS.
P. M. SMITH.
J. L. LIKINS.
J. B. JOHNSTON.
PAUL LAND.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill indefinitely postponed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON REVENUE AND TAXATION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 1, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Revenue and Taxation, to whom was referred House bill No. 21, entitled "An act relating to penalty and interest on
state, county and municipal taxes which became due and payable prior to January 1, 1897, and where the property has not been sold to third parties, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

E. W. Way, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

W. L. Freeman.
B. F. Day.
S. D. Hicks.
Lewis Lindstrom.
C. A. Mentzer.
B. S. Scott.
A. W. Stuhrman.

On motion, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Olympia, Wash., February 1, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, a majority of your Committee on Revenue and Taxation, to whom was referred House bill No. 215, entitled "An act to provide for the payment of the outstanding warrant indebtedness of the general county funds of this state," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

E. W. Way, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

W. L. Freeman.
B. F. Day.
S. D. Hicks.
Lewis Lindstrom.
C. A. Mentzer.
B. S. Scott.
A. W. Stuhrman.

MINORITY REPORT.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Olympia, Wash., February 4, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, a minority of your Committee on Revenue and Taxation, to whom was referred House bill No. 215, entitled "An act to provide for the payment of the outstanding warrant indebtedness of the general county funds of this state," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

R. W. Caywood.
J. O. Couch.

Moved by Mr. Caywood: To substitute the minority report for the majority report.

The motion was lost.
On motion, the bill was re-referred to the Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 1, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred House bill No. 22, entitled "An act to govern contests of elections of county and state officers," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

B. F. DAY, Chairman.

G. N. HODGDON.

ROBT. GERRY.

H. K. STRUVE.

JOHN HARGRAVE.

C. T. IRVIN.

On motion, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES AND GAME.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 2, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House bill No. 179, entitled a bill for the protection of fish in stocked lakes, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: That section 3 be stricken out. That in line 2 of section 4, "$50.00" be stricken out, and "$10.00" substituted therefor, in printed bill. That in line 2 of section 4 "$500.00" be stricken out and "$100.00" substituted therefor, in printed bill. That section 5 be stricken out. That section 4 be made section 3. That the bill do pass, as amended.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

HANS HANSEN, Chairman,

E. L. KOEHLER.

A. S. BUSH.

J. M. EDWARDS.

B. F. DAY.

W. H. THACKER.

C. H. WOLF.

J. Z. NELSON.

J. G. FRITZ.

Amendment by Mr. Wilkeson: Strike out the word "pickerel" in line two, section one.

On vote, the amendment was lost.
Amendment by Mr. Canutt: That the word "suckers" be inserted after the word "pickerel" in line 2, section 1. The amendment was lost. The bill was ordered engrossed, and passed to third reading.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON PENITENTIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Olympia, Wash., February 2, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Penitentiary, to whom was referred House bill No. 51, entitled "An act regulating the sale of jute fabrics and brick at the state penitentiary," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

W. B. Roberts, Chairman pro tem.

We concur in this report:

Geo. Windust.
L. J. McAtee.
J. Parker.
J. C. Conine.
G. B. Richmond.
Cleveland Smith.

MINORITY REPORT.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Olympia, Wash., February 2, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, a minority of your Committee on Penitentiary, to whom was referred House bill No. 51, entitled "An act regulating the sale of jute fabrics and brick at the state penitentiary," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

Geo. M. Witt, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

R. W. Caywood.
A. D. Warner.
W. L. Freeman.
J. O. Edwards.
J. C. Merrifield.

Moved by Mr. Witt, to substitute the minority report for the majority report.

On vote, the motion to substitute was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Lindstrom: Add the words "and land owner," in line 5, section 1, after the word "sureties."

On vote, the amendment was lost.

Amendments by Mr. Marshall: In line 6, section 1, insert the word and figure "three (3)" instead of the word and figures "ten
The amendments were lost.

Amendment by Mr. C. Smith: In section 1, line 6, insert the following: "To be approved by the county commissioners in the county in which the sacks are to be used."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Forbes: Amend section 1, line 6, by inserting the word "five" instead of the word "ten."

The amendment was lost, and the bill passed to its third reading.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 1, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 57, entitled "An act to prevent the act of wagering or betting on elections," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: Strike out all that portion between the title and section 1, beginning with the word "whereas" and ending with the word "therefore;" strike the enacting clause from section 1 and replace it before section 1; in line 2, section 1, strike out the following: "In general assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same;" in line 4, section 1, strike out the word "are" and insert in lieu thereof the word "is;" in line 8, section 1, insert between the word "wager" and the word "upon" the following: "Shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and;" in line 8, section 1, insert between the word "pay" and the word "three" in line 9, the following: "To the county wherein the offense was committed;" in line 1, section 2, strike out the words "judge," "mayor," "alderman" and "justice of the;" in line 2, section 2, strike out the word "peace;" strike out all that portion of section 2 following the word "offending" in line 4 thereof; in line 2, section 3, strike out the word "who" and insert in lieu thereof the word "whom;" in line 3, section 3, insert between the words "interested" and "or" the words "in any bet;" strike out all of section 4, and as so amended that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

Solon T. Williams, Chairman.

J. P. de Mattos.

J. B. Johnston.

H. D. Smith.

E. H. Guie.

H. K. Struve.

J. M. Geraghty.

W. B. Roberts.
Amendment by Mr. Richmond: In section 1, after the word "bet," add the words "and the costs of such conviction."
The amendment was lost.
Amendment by Mr. Canutt: In section 1, lines 8 and 9, strike out all the words between "forfeit" and "bet" and insert the word "the" before the word "bet" in line 9 of section 1.
The amendment was lost.

The bill was ordered engrossed and passed to third reading.

Mr. Pierson was called to the chair at 3:55 o'clock p. m.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 1, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 121, entitled "An act to amend section one of an act approved March 2, 1895, entitled "An act relating to nuisances; amending section 2898 of volume 1 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington,"
have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.
Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:
Solon T. Williams, Chairman.
J. B. Johnston.
H. D. Smith.
E. H. GuiE.
H. K. Struve.
J. P. De Mattos.
J. M. Geraghty.
L. E. Rader.
E. W. Way.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 1, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 160, entitled "An act to provide for the examination of hostile and unwilling witnesses," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.
Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:
Solon T. Williams, Chairman.
J. P. de Mattos.
J. B. Johnston.
H. D. Smith.
E. H. GuiE.
H. K. Struve.
J. M. Geraghty.
L. E. Rader.
E. W. Way.
Amendment by Mr. Guie: Add to section 2 the following, "Upon the trial of an action, any party may call his adversary as a witness, and examine him as upon cross examination, and shall not be bound by his testimony."

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

The bill was ordered engrossed and passed to third reading.

**House of Representatives,**

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 1, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 148, entitled "An act aiding indigent persons in the prosecution of suits at law in the courts of the state," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

J. P. de Mattos.

J. B. Johnston.

H. D. Smith.

E. H. Guie.

H. K. Struve.

J. M. Geraghty.

L. E. Rader.

E. W. Way.

On motion, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

**House of Representatives,**

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 1, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 146, entitled "An act fixing the per diem and mileage of witnesses in civil actions," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: Strike out all of section 3. And as so amended that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

J. B. Johnston.

H. D. Smith.

E. H. Guie.

H. K. Struve.

J. M. Geraghty.

L. E. Rader.

E. W. Way.

J. P. de Mattos.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill passed to third reading.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOSPITALS FOR INSANE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 2, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Hospitals for Insane, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 54, entitled "An act to appropriate two thousand five hundred dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to repair damages caused by boiler explosion at the Eastern Washington hospital for the insane," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

R. W. CAYWOOD, Chairman.
C. E. MOHUNDRO.
GEO. WINDUST.
C. A. MENTZER.
J. C. KINCAID.
CLEVELAND SMITH.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill passed to third reading.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 1, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 129, entitled "An act to authorize punitive or exemplary damages for injury to person or property in certain cases," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.
J. P. DE MATTOS.
J. B. JOHNSTON.
H. D. SMITH.
E. H. GUIE.
J. M. GERAIGHTY.
L. E. RADER.
H. K. STRUVE.

I dissent, and recommend passage.

E. W. WAY.

Moved by Mr. Hodgdon, that the minority report be substituted for the majority report.

On vote, the motion to substitute was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Williams: Strike out section 2.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was passed to its third reading.
MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 128, entitled "An act in relation to the leasing, transfer and sale of personal property," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: Strike out all of section 2, and as so amended that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted. SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

We concur in this report: J. P. DE MATTOS.
J. B. JOHNSTON.
H. D. SMITH.
E. H. GUE.
H. K. STRUVE.
J. M. GERAGHTY.
L. E. RADER.
E. W. WAY.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill passed to its third reading.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 98, entitled "An act to amend section twelve hundred and seventy-one (1,271) of volume 2 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Code of Washington," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted. SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

We concur in this report: J. B. JOHNSTON.
H. D. SMITH.
E. H. GUE.
H. K. STRUVE.
J. P. DE MATTOS.
J. M. GERAGHTY.
L. E. RADER.
E. W. WAY.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill indefinitely postponed.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 132, entitled "An act to facilitate efforts to trace and obtain information concerning individuals supposed to have been in public buildings at the time of such buildings being destroyed by fire," have had the same under
consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

S. T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.
J. P. de Mattos.
J. B. JOHNSTON.
H. D. SMITH.
E. H. Guie.
H. K. STRUVE.
J. M. GERAGHTY.
L. E. RADER.
E. W. WAY.

On motion, the report was adopted.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 1, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 125, entitled "An act amending section 4, page 631, Session Laws of 1890, relating to distribution of Session Laws," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

S. T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.
J. P. de Mattos.
J. B. JOHNSTON.
H. D. SMITH.
E. H. Guie.
H. K. STRUVE.
J. M. GERAGHTY.
L. E. RADER.
E. W. WAY.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill indefinitely postponed.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 1, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 155, entitled "An act providing that prisoners, when found guilty, shall be charged with cost of board, stage and car fare, if, in the judgment of the court, they are able to pay the same," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.
J. P. de Mattos.
J. B. JOHNSTON.
H. D. SMITH.
E. H. Guie.
H. K. STRUVE.
J. M. GERAGHTY.
L. E. RADER.
E. W. WAY.
On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill indefinitely postponed.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., FEBRUARY 1, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 109, entitled "An act to confer certain powers upon certain benevolent and charitable corporations incorporated under the laws of Washington in relation to the control and disposition of homeless, neglected or abused children," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed, as the same is covered by House bill No. 28.

Respectfully submitted.

SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

We concur in this report:
J. P. DE MATTOS.
H. D. SMITH.
E. H. GUE.
J. M. GERAGHTY.
H. K. STRUVE.
L. E. RADER.
E. W. WAY.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill indefinitely postponed.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., FEBRUARY 1, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 156, entitled "An act to amend section 1449 of the Code of Washington of 1881, the same being section 955 of the second volume of Hill's Annotated Codes of Washington, and in regard to settlement of estates of decedents," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

We concur in this report:
J. P. DE MATTOS.
J. B. JOHNSTON.
H. D. SMITH.
E. H. GUE.
H. K. STRUVE.
J. M. GERAGHTY.
L. E. RADER.
E. W. WAY.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill indefinitely postponed.

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MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 145, entitled "An act relating to compensation of public officers for expenses incurred in travel in performance of an official duty, and providing an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted. SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

We concur in this report: J. P. de Mattos.
J. B. Johnston.
H. D. Smith.
E. H. Guie.
H. K. Struve.
J. M. Geraghty.
L. E. Rader.
E. W. Way.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill indefinitely postponed.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 123, entitled "An act to regulate contracts in this state and to make certain contracts void," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted. SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

We concur in this report: J. B. Johnston.
H. D. Smith.
E. H. Guie.
H. K. Struve.
J. P. de Mattos.
J. M. Geraghty.
E. W. Way.

I dissent: L. E. Rader.

Moved by Mr. Ross, to lay the bill on the table pending the receipt of the Senate bill on the same subject.

On vote, the motion was carried.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 25 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 57, noes 12, absent or not voting 9.


There being no objection, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 24 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 57, noes 12, absent or not voting 9.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

On motion, the House adjourned at 4:50 o’clock P. M.

CHAS. E. CLINE, Speaker.

S. P. CARUSI, Chief Clerk.
TWENTY-SIXTH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, Friday, February 5, 1897.
10 o'clock A. M.

The House was called to order at 10 o'clock A. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

The Rev. J. L. Thompson, of the Presbyterian Church, offered prayer.

The roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names except Messrs. Rader, Libby and Baker F. R., excused.

On motion, the journal of the preceding session was ordered not read, and the same stand approved.

A petition, presented by Mr. C. Smith (by request), from attorneys of Whitman county, relating to emergency clause on passed bills, was read.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

A petition, presented by Mr. A. S. Bush (by request), from 39 citizens of Pacific county, relating to building of wagon road in county of Pacific, was read.

Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

A petition was presented from the lawyers of Whitman county, by Mr. Canutt, relating to emergency clauses on passed bills.

Read and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

A petition, presented by Mr. Thacker (by request), from citizens of Orcas Island, relating to sheep and hog law.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

A petition, presented by Mr. Hargrave (by request), from citizens of Columbia river, relating to fish traps, was referred without being read.

Referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

A petition, presented by Mr. Richmond (by request), from citizens of Eagleton, relating to a dairy commissioner, was read.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

A petition, presented by Mr. P. M. Smith (by request), from
citizens of Seattle, relating to pilot law, was referred without being read.

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Manufacturing.

Moved by Mr. Mohundro, to re-refer House bill No. 126 back to the committee.

The motion was carried.

By request, the Committee on Banks and Banking was granted more time on certain bills.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Senate bill No. 121 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

Senate bill No. 8 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

Senate bill No. 118 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

Senate bill No. 119 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

Senate bill No. 120 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 213 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 220 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 232 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 299 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

Committee bill No. 16 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 67 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 68 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House joint resolution No. 15 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 233 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 147 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.
House bill No. 82 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that committee bill be substituted.

Concurrent resolution No. 13 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 14 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 172 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 2 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Senate concurrent resolution No. 9 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Substitute House joint resolution attached, and pass.

House bill No. 251 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 244 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 78 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 250 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON COMPENSATION AND FEES OF STATE AND COUNTY OFFICERS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 5, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers, to whom was referred House bill No. 292, entitled "An act to amend chapter 130 of the Laws of 1893, entitled 'An act in relation to the fees of state and county officers, witnesses and jurors, and amending section 2086 of the Code of Washington of 1881,'" have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

C. A. MENTZER, Chairman.
LEWIS LINDSTROM.
HANS HANSEN.
A. MATHIOT.
C. S. BARLOW.
CHARLES N. WOLF.
GEO. M. WITT.
PHIL. M. SMITH.

On motion, the bill was so referred.
Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers, to whom was referred House bill No. 274, entitled "An act regulating the pay of members and employees of the legislature, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted. C. A. Mentzer, Chairman.


On motion of Mr. Lindstrom, the report was not adopted, and the bill was re-referred to committee.

Moved by Mr. Johnston: That the rules be suspended, and substitute House joint resolution for Senate concurrent resolution No. 9 be read the second time, and placed on its final passage. On vote, the motion was lost.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 129, entitled "An act to authorize punitive or exemplary damages for injury to person or property in certain cases," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. Miles T. Hooper, Acting Chairman.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 112, entitled "An act to regulate the weighing and measuring of coal mined in this state," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. Miles T. Hooper, Acting Chairman.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 135, entitled "An act for the protection of persons working in coal mines, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. H. D. Jory, Chairman.
Mr. Speaker:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 146, entitled “An act fixing the per diem and mileage of witnesses in civil actions,” has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.
Respectfully submitted. MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

Mr. Speaker:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 128, entitled “An act in relation to the leasing, transfer and sale of personal property,” has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.
Respectfully submitted. MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

Mr. Speaker:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House Bill No. 160, entitled “An act to provide for the examination of hostile and unwilling witnesses,” has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.
Respectfully submitted. MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

Mr. Speaker:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 152, entitled “An act to provide for the recovery of the bodies of workmen inclosed or entombed in coal mines,” has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.
Respectfully submitted. MILES T. HOOPER, Acting chairman.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced, read first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees:

Senate concurrent resolution No. 16, by Senator High: Relating to committee to visit school for defective youth.
Referred to Committee on School for Defective Youth and Reform School.

House bill No. 342, by Mr. Parker: An act providing for the regulation of flouring mills in relation to the maximum rates of charges for grinding grain, and providing a penalty for the violation of this act.
Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

House bill No. 343, by Mr. J. B. Smith: An act providing for a state board of managers for the penal institutions and hospitals for the insane, and declaring an emergency.
Referred to Committee on State Buildings, Public Grounds and Libraries.

House bill No. 344, by Mr. Likins: An act amending section 65 of chapter 124, relating to revenue, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

House bill No. 345, by Mr. Ross: An act to amend an act entitled "An act to establish a uniform standard of weights and measures in this state, and to provide for a state sealer and inspector of the same."

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

House bill No. 346, by Mr. Witt: An act requiring persons or corporations loaning money on real estate security to place on file in the county auditor's office the name and postoffice address of the firm or corporation to whom any note secured by mortgage on real estate may have been transferred, and compel the recording of assignments of mortgages and providing a penalty for the neglect to comply with its provisions.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 347, by Mr. Day: An act to prevent corrupt practices at elections in the State of Washington, and providing a penalty therefor.

Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections.

House bill No. 348, by Mr. Conine: An act providing for the contest of the election of any person declared elected as a member of the legislature of the State of Washington.

Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections.

House bill No. 349, by Mr. Richmond: An act creating a bureau of statistics, agriculture and immigration.

Referred to Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics.

House bill No. 350, by Mr. Marshall: An act declaring the county of Walla Walla to be a county of the thirteenth class.

Referred to Committee on Counties and County Boundaries.

House bill No. 351, by Mr. Marshall: An act providing against the adulteration of food.

Referred to Committee on Hygiene and Dentistry.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE NORMAL SCHOOLS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Olympia, Wash., February 8, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on State Normal Schools, to whom was referred Senate concurrent resolution in reference to inspection of state normal
schools, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended to include the state university, and as so amended that it be adopted.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

J. L. Likins, Chairman.
Miles T. Hooper.
Willis L. Ames.
Charles H. Wolf.
B. S. Scott.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill passed to its third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HARBORS AND WATERWAYS.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Harbors and Waterways, to whom was referred House bill No. 246, entitled "An act fixing maximum rates of wharfage that may be charged, prescribing penalties, and regulating travel over docks and wharves in the State of Washington," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass, with the following amendment: Insert after the word "ton," in line 17, section 2, the words "and that such wharfage charge shall include storage for a period of twenty-four hours after landing goods or stock."

Respectfully submitted.

J. Z. Nelson, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

J. G. Fritz.
Paul Land.
J. A. Gilkey.
J. B. Libby.
J. D. Hagadorn.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill passed to its third reading.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE.

Mr. Speaker:

We, a majority of your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 222, entitled "An act to destroy the squirrel pest, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

Cleveland Smith, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

John Forbes.
Geo. Windust.
G. H. Baker.
C. T. Irvin.
MINORITY REPORT.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 3, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, a minority of your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 222, entitled "An act to destroy the squirrel pest, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

F. I. PHELPS.
A. MATHIOT.

On motion, the majority report was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Lindstrom: In line 10, section 4, strike out the word and figure "three (3)", and insert the word and figure "two (2)."

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Marshall: In line 2, section 1, insert after the word "thereon" the words "to the best of their ability."

The amendment was lost.

The bill was ordered engrossed, and passed to third reading.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 3, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 165, entitled "An act to amend section 42 of an act entitled 'An act to provide for state grain weighing and grading, and creating the office of grain inspector, establishing a state grain commission, and making an appropriation of $2,000,'" approved March 19, 1895, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

CLEVELAND SMITH, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

JOHN FORBES.
GEO. WINDUST.
F. I. PHELPS.
G. H. BAKER.
C. T. IRVIN.
LEWIS LINDSTROM.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill indefinitely postponed.
MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 240, entitled "An act to amend section 2 of an act entitled 'An act to prevent trespasses by sheep upon certain land in this territory, and to punish the owners of such sheep for violations of this act,' approved February 2, 1888, the same being section 87 of the Penal Code of volume 2 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, and repealing sections 1, 3 and 4 of said act, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

CLEVELAND SMITH, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

JOHN FORBES.
GEO. WINDUST.
F. I. PHELPS.
G. H. BAKER.
C. T. IRVIN.
LEWIS LINDSTROM.

The bill passed to third reading.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 284, entitled "An act for the protection of game animals and birds, and song birds, and to define and punish as misdemeanors all violations thereof, and to repeal sections 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 271, 272 of the Penal Code of the State of Washington, and all other acts in conflict with this act, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: Strike out the word "shall" in line 2 of section 20 and substitute the word "may" therefor. And that the bill do pass as herein amended.

Respectfully submitted.

CLEVELAND SMITH, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

JOHN FORBES.
GEORGE WINDUST.
F. I. PHELPS.
G. H. BAKER.
C. T. IRVIN.
LEWIS LINDSTROM.

On motion, the report was adopted as amended.

Amendment by Mr. C. P. Bush: Strike out section 20.

Moved by Mr. Jory, to re-refer the bill to the Committee on Agriculture.

On vote, the motion was lost.
On vote, the amendment to strike out section 20 was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Pierson: In section 7, line 3, strike out the words "fifteenth of August" and insert the words "first of September."

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Merrifield: In section 7, line 2, strike out the words "or wild pigeons."

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Gilkey: In section 8, line 1, strike out the words "wild goose."

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Marshall: "That it shall be unlawful to shoot craps from January 1st to December 31st, inclusive."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Hodgdon: Strike out the words "not less than" in line 7, section 2.

Mr. Lindstrom moved to strike out section 4.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Koehler moved to make the bill a special order for Tuesday at 2:30 o'clock P. M.

The motion was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Lindstrom: Insert after the word "counties," in line 9, section 23, the proviso, "Provided, That no part of this act shall be so construed as to prohibit any person from killing game upon his or her own land."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Moore: In section 11, line 3, strike out the words "any Mongolian or."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Canutt: Substitute for section 3, "Any person who shall, at any time within four years after the approval of this act, hunt, kill or destroy moose, caribou, antelope, mountain sheep or goat, deer, fawn, grouse or pheasant, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of $50, for each and every offence."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Wolf: Sec. 24. "That the provisions of this act shall not apply to citizens while prospecting for minerals on the public lands of this state."

The amendment was lost.
Amendment by Mr. Gilkey: In section 13, line 6, strike out the words "wild goose."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Hargrave: After the word "hereafter," in line 5, section 6, add the following: "Provided, That the provisions of the foregoing sections shall not apply to any bona fide rancher who kills any of the foregoing male animals for family use."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Jory: In section 11, line 4, strike out the words "or any other wild fowl."

The amendment was lost.

On vote, the bill was ordered engrossed and passed to third reading.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 3, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 249, entitled "An act to protect song birds, and providing a penalty therefor," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed. For the reason that its provisions are covered by House bill No. 234.

Respectfully submitted. CLEVELAND SMITH, Chairman.

We concur in this report: JOHN FORBES.

GEO. WINDUST.

F. I. PHELPS.

G. H. BAKER.

C. T. IRVIN.

On motion, the report was adopted.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 3, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, a majority of your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 15, entitled "An act to repeal an act to provide for state grain weighing and grading, creating the office of state grain inspector, establishing a state grain commission, and making an appropriation of $2,000," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted. CLEVELAND SMITH, Chairman.

We concur in this report: JOHN FORBES.

GEO. WINDUST.

F. I. PHELPS.

G. H. BAKER.

C. T. IRVIN.
MINORITY REPORT.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 3, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, a minority of your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 15, entitled "An act to repeal an act to provide for state grain weighing and grading, creating the office of state grain inspector, establishing a state grain commission, and making an appropriation of $2,000," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

A. Mathiot.
L. Lindstrom.

Moved, by Mr. Mathiot, that the minority report be adopted.

On vote, the motion to adopt was lost.

On vote, the majority report was adopted, and the bill indefinitely postponed.

Messrs. Williams and Winsor were excused until Monday's session.

On vote, the House adjourned at 11:55 o'clock A.M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House convened at 2 o'clock p.m.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

A quorum being present, business was resumed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 3, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, a majority of your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 231, entitled "An act to amend section 87, Penal Code of Washington, relating to herding and driving sheep upon the lands of another," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

Cleveland Smith, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

John Forbes.
F. I. Phelps.
G. H. Baker.
C. T. Irvin.
MINORITY REPORT.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 3, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, a minority of your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 231, entitled "An act to amend section 87, Penal Code of Washington, relating to herding and driving sheep upon the lands of another, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

GEO. WINDUST.

LEWIS LINDSTROM.

Moved by Mr. Couch, to substitute the minority report for the majority report.

On vote, the motion to substitute the minority report was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Ross: Amend section 1 by adding, after the word "imprisonment," in the last line, the words, "Provided, That this act shall not be construed to effect domestic animals in cities and towns."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Ross was called to the chair at 2:15 o'clock P. M.

Amendment by Mr. Johnston: Insert in line 4, section 1, the word "enclosed" after the word "the" before the word "lands."

On vote, the amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Kincaid: Insert after the word "lands," in line 6, "or within one-half mile of any public road, where the general public depend entirely on the grass for the subsistence of their riding or other work horses while traveling."

The amendment was lost.

Amendments by Mr. Phelps: Strike out in line 3 the words "cattle, horses, mules and asses;" after the word "such," in line 4, strike out the word "cattle;" also, in line 5, the words "horses, mules and asses."

The amendments were lost.

Amendment by Mr. Tobiassen: Strike out in line 3 all after the word "goats," and in line 4 all before the word "who."

On vote, the amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Canutt: In line 6, section 1, after the word "lands," insert the following proviso: "Provided, That nothing in this act shall be construed to mean unoccupied lands."
On vote, the amendment was lost.
Moved by Mr. Fritz, to lay the bill No. 231 on the table.
On vote, the motion was lost.
Amendment by Mr. Jory: Insert in line 3, section 1, the words "or drive" between the words "herd" and "any."
The amendment was lost.
The bill was ordered engrossed, and passed to its third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 57, entitled "An act to prevent the act of wagering or betting on elections," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.
Respectfully submitted. MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES AND ELECTION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 3, 1897.

We, your Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred House bill No. 137, entitled "An act to provide for the registration of voters in all school elections in all school districts having a population of ten thousand or more inhabitants, and regulating elections in such districts," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: In line 2, section 5, strike out words "under the constitution of this state."

That section 8 be amended, commencing at line 6, to read:

STATE OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF ........................ SS.

I, ........................ do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I am a legally qualified school elector, under the laws of the State of Washington, and that I have been an actual, permanent resident of said state for eleven months and twenty days last past, and of the county of ........................ for eighty days last past, and the ........................ precinct twenty days last past, and that I have not lost my civil rights by reason of being convicted of any infamous crime.

........................ ........................

Subscribed and sworn to before me this .......... day of .......... .

Said affidavit shall be filed and preserved by the secretary of the board for at least two years.

That section 13 be amended by striking out last sentence.
Respectfully submitted. B. F. DAY, Chairman.

All members of the committee concur in this report.

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Amendment by Mr. Warner: Insert the words "under the provisions of this act" after the word "electors," in line 2, section 5. The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Day: Strike out all words between the period (.) in line 7, of section 7, and the period (.) in line 10 of the same section. The amendment was adopted.

The bill was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

Moved by Mr. Hooper to suspend the rules, and that the House take action on Senate concurrent resolution No. 14. On vote, the motion was lost.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRINTING AND SUPPLIES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 4, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Printing and Supplies, to whom was referred House bill No. 243, entitled "An act providing for a uniform system of public blanks for use in counties of the State of Washington and regulating the manufacture and sale thereof," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass with the following amendments: In section 3, line 2, of printed bill, strike out the word "of" after the word "auditor" and insert the words "free of charge to;" strike out brackets enclosing the word "of," in line 8 of section 3; add to the last line in section 5, the words "and shall be credited by the state treasurer to the printing account."

Respectfully submitted.

W. B. ROBERTS, Chairman.

JAS. HUGH ROSS.

F. I. PHELPS.

THOS. WINSOR.

L. E. RADER.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill passed to its third reading.

Moved by Mr. Kittinger, to suspend the rules and take up Senate concurrent resolution No. 14 for consideration.

On vote, the motion was carried.

The resolution, on motion of Mr. Hooper, was read the second time.

Amendment by Mr. Day: Add the proviso, "Provided, That such committee be allowed only actual traveling expenses."

The amendment was withdrawn.

Amendment by Mr. Lindstrom: That the committee be composed of three, one from the Senate and two from the House.
On vote, the amendment was lost.

On motion of Mr. Hooper, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the resolution considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the resolution was lost: Ayes 34, noes 40, absent or not voting 4.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker F. R., Rader, Williams, and Mr. Speaker—4.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 5, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 22, entitled "An act providing for a lien for employes," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 5, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 131, entitled "An act for the relief of members of the electoral college," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 5, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 95, entitled "An act to provide for an institute fund," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.
Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 85, entitled "An act to amend section 18 of An act to define, regulate and govern the state penitentiary, and declaring an emergency," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

The Senate has passed House bill No. 27, entitled "An act to provide for exemption in cases of assignments for the benefit of creditors," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

Report of Committee on Fisheries and Game.

House of Representatives,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 2, 1897.

We, your Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House bill No. 282, entitled "An act abolishing the office of fish commissioner, dividing the state into districts, and appointing commissioners thereto, also amending and repealing certain sections of Hill's Code, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

Hans Hansen, Chairman.

J. G. Fritz.
C. J. Moore.
W. H. Thacker.
J. P. de Mattos.
J. Z. Nelson.
Charles H. Wolf.
J. O. Couch.
A. T. Tobiassen.
B. F. Day.
J. C. Conine.
J. M. Edwards.
A. S. Bush.

Amendment by Mr. Hansen: Strike out the word "fifteen," in line 2, section 7, and insert the word "ten."
The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Bush: Add to section 7 the words "said salaries and expenses to be paid from the fish hatcheries fund."
The amendment was lost.

The speaker resumed the chair at 3:10 o'clock p. m.
Mr. Gilkey moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.
On vote, the motion was lost.
Amendment by Mr. Guie: In section 4, line 3, strike out the word and figure "five (5)" and insert the word and figure "ten (10)."
The amendment was adopted.
Mr. Johnston moved to amend by striking out the emergency clause.
On vote, the motion was adopted.
Mr. Ross moved to strike out section 9.
The amendment was adopted.
The bill was ordered engrossed and passed to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND LABOR STATISTICS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 3, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, a majority of your Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics, to whom was referred House bill No. 225, entitled "An act to establish the number of hours to constitute a day's work on all state, county and municipal work," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass with the following amendments:

After the word "Provided," in line 8, the remainder of line 8 be stricken out; also all of line 9, and in lieu thereof the following be substituted:

"That no person in the employ of the state or any county or municipality in this state who shall be paid a monthly or annual salary shall be paid for any overtime, unless it shall be shown that such overtime was necessary."

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

PAUL LAND, Chairman.
A. T. TOBIASSEN.
D. R. LUSHER.
V. R. PIERSO.
J. O. EDWARDS.
J. M. EDWARDS.
JOHN A. GILKEY.

MINORITY REPORT.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 3, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, a minority of your Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics, to whom was referred House bill No. 225, entitled "An act to establish the number of hours to constitute a day's work on all state, county and municipal work," have had the same under consideration, and we re-
spectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with
the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.  

F. I. Phelps.  

E. H. Gurn.

On motion, the majority report was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Moore: In line 8 add the proviso: "Provided further, That none but citizens of the United States shall be
employed upon any public works of the State of Washington."
Amendment adopted.

The bill was ordered engrossed and passed to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND LABOR STATISTICS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 3, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics, to whom was
referred House bill No. 81, entitled "An act creating a bureau of labor,
defining its duties, and appropriating money for its maintenance," have
had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same
back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it
do pass with the following amendments:

Strike out section 1, and insert in lieu thereof: "A commissioner of
labor and one assistant commissioner, to act as factory, mill and railroad
inspector, shall be appointed by the governor; they, together with the
inspector of coal mines, shall constitute a bureau of labor. On the first
Monday in April, 1897, and every four years thereafter, the governor
shall appoint two suitable persons, one to act as commissioner of labor,
with headquarters at the capital, and the other appointee to act as
factory, mill and railroad inspector; both of whom shall hold office until
their successor is appointed and qualified."

In section 4, line 1, the words "any officer" be stricken out and in lieu
thereof "either inspector" inserted.

In line 9, of same section, the word "may" be stricken out and the word
"shall" substituted.

In line 10, of same section, the words "exceeding fifty" be stricken out
and insert in lieu thereof "not less than twenty-five dollars nor
more than one hundred dollars."

In section 5, line 1, the word "officer" be stricken out and the word
"inspector" substituted.

Also, in line 7, of same section, the word "officer" be changed for the
word "inspector."

Also, in line 9, of same section, strike out the words "not exceeding"
and insert in lieu thereof the words "of not less than twenty-five dollars
nor more than."

Section 6 be amended as follows: In line 2, strike out the words "its
officers or" and insert in lieu thereof the words "the commissioner or in-
spectors."
Section 7 be amended as follows: Insert after the word "labor" in line 1 the words "by and with the consent of the governor."

In line 5 the figure "3" be substituted for the figure "4," and the words "in addition for" be stricken out and insert in lieu thereof the words "and his."

That section 9 be stricken out and be amended to read as follows: "The salary of the commissioner of labor provided for by this act shall be twelve hundred dollars ($1,200) per annum; the salary of the factory, mill and railway inspector shall be twelve hundred dollars ($1,200) per annum, and they shall be allowed their actual and necessary traveling expenses."

Section 10, line 1, the word "annually" be stricken out.

That sections 11 and 12 be entirely stricken out.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL LAND, Chairman.

E. H. Guie.
F. I. Phelps.
J. D. Hagadorn.
J. O. Edwards.
J. A. Gilkey.
D. R. Lusher.
V. R. Pierson.
J. M. Edwards.

On vote, the committee's report and amendments were adopted.

Moved by Mr. Johnston, to re-refer the bill back to the committee, with instructions to amend the same so as to eliminate the "railroad" and "factory inspector."

On vote, the motion was lost.

The bill was ordered engrossed, and passed to its third reading.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 3, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 206, entitled "An act to amend section 195 of volume 2, Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, the same being section 83 of the Code of Washington of 1881, relating to answers and the contents thereof in civil actions, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

S. T. Williams, Chairman.

H. D. Smith.
E. W. Way.
J. M. Geraghty.
J. P. de Mattos.
J. B. Johnston.
W. H. Thacker.
A. D. Warner.
H. K. Struve.

We concur in this report:
Moved by Mr. Warner, to strike out the emergency clause of the bill.

The motion carried.

The bill was passed to its third reading.

**Mr. Speaker:**

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 186, entitled "An act to restore to Eugene Cullity his full legal rights of citizenship," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: In line 1, strike out the word "that" and insert in lieu thereof the words "Sec. 1;" strike out all that portion of the bill between and including the word "and" in line 3, and the word "enacted" in line 3; strike out the words "the said" in line 9; strike out all of line 12 and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Sec. 2. An emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this act shall be in full force and effect immediately," and as so amended that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

S. T. Williams, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

H. D. Smith.

E. W. Way.

J. M. Geraghty.

J. P. de Mattos.

E. H. Guie.

J. B. Johnston.

W. H. Thacker.

A. D. Warner.

H. K. Struve.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill ordered to third reading.

**Reports of Committee on Railroads.**

**House of Representatives,**

**Olympia, Wash., February 3, 1897.**

**Mr. Speaker:**

We, your Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred House bill No. 99, entitled "An act to provide for the better protection of railway switches," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: Insert the word "company" between the words "railroad companies," in line 1 of section 1, and that the bill do pass as amended.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

J. L. Canutt, Chairman.

Miles T. Hooper.


C. E. Mohundro.

W. B. Roberts.

Charles H. Wolf.

J. C. Kincaid.

Theron Stafford.

J. C. Merrifield.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill passed to the third reading.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 3, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred House bill No. 288, entitled "An act providing that a judgment against a railroad company for injury to person or property shall be a lien upon the property of the company, prior and superior to any mortgage or trust deed executed after the taking effect of this act," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

J. L. CANUTT, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

MILES T. HOOPER.
J. H. MARSHALL.
C. E. MOHUNDRIO.
W. B. ROBERTS.
CHARLES H. WOLF.
J. C. KINCAID.
T. STAFFORD.
J. C. MERRIFIELD.
G. M. WITT.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill passed to third reading.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 3, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred House bill No. 103, entitled "An act requiring railroad companies or corporations to maintain at least two men on every locomotive engine within the State of Washington, for the safety of employes and the public," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

J. L. CANUTT, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

MILES T. HOOPER.
J. H. MARSHALL.
C. E. MOHUNDRIO.
W. B. ROBERTS.
CHARLES H. WOLF.
J. C. KINCAID.
T. STAFFORD.
J. C. MERRIFIELD.
G. M. WITT.
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 8, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred House bill No. 54, entitled an "Act to compel railroads to construct crossings over their tracks, where private land adjoins the right-of-way, and providing a penalty for neglect or refusal to construct such crossings," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

Mr. Levin was excused until Monday's session.

We concur in this report:

John L. Canutt, Chairman.
Miles T. Hooper.
C. E. Mohundro.
W. B. Roberts.
Charles H. Wolf.

Moved by Mr. Marshall, to re-refer the bill to the Committee on Railroads.

On vote, the motion to re-refer was carried.

Mr. Levin was excused until Monday's session.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 3, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred House bill No. 102, entitled "An act to regulate the labor of railway employes," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives with the recommendation, that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

John L. Canutt, Chairman.
Miles T. Hooper.
C. E. Mohundro.
W. B. Roberts.
Charles H. Wolf.

Mr. Geraghty moved to strike out section 3.

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Guie: Strike out the words "or any employe" in section 1, line 2.

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Kincaid: Strike out all in section 1, after line 5.

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Marshall: In lines 6 and 8, substitute the word "ten" for the word "eight."
The amendment was lost.
The bill was passed to third reading.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 112 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.
On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 67, noes 0, absent or not voting 11.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.
Mr. Canutt gave notice that he would move to amend House bill No. 44.

House bill No. 152 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.
On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 68, noes 0, absent or not voting 10.

The title was amended by striking out the words "entitled an act," in the first line of title—and the title of the bill to stand as amended.

House bill No. 100 was taken from the Committee on Municipal Corporations, and referred to Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics.

House bill No. 135 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 67, noes 0, absent or not voting 11.


Noes: None.


On vote, the emergency clause was lost: Ayes 44, noes 24, absent or not voting 10.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 34, recalled from Committee on Municipal Corporations and referred to Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.

House bill No. 179, was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 65, noes 1, absent or not voting 12.


Noes: Mr. Lindstrom.


Moved, that when we adjourn, it be to Monday, at 10 o'clock A. M.

The motion was lost.

On vote, the emergency clause was lost: Ayes 44, noes 24, absent or not voting 10.


Noes: Messrs. Barlow, Edwards J. O., Guie, Geraghty, Gerry, Gilkey, Koehler, Land, Libby, Lindstrom, Marshall, Mathiot,


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Moved by Mr. Land, that we adjourn until Monday at 2 o'clock P. M.

On vote, the motion was carried.

The House adjourned at 4:50 o'clock P. M.

CHAS. E. CLINE, Speaker.

S. P. CARUSI, Chief Clerk.

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TWENTY-NINTH DAY.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House convened at 2 o'clock P. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Rev. C. L. Diven, of the Congregational Church.

Roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names except Mr. Richmond, excused.

The journal of the preceding day was read, corrected and approved.

Miss Jennie Hildebrandt and Miss Minnie Mize were sworn in as assistant enrolling clerks, by Speaker Cline.

A petition was presented, by Mr. Nelson (by request), relating to fisheries, and read.

Referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

A petition from the Seattle Chamber of Commerce, relating to pilot bill, was read.

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Manufactures.

A petition from the citizens of Quinault, relating to public roads and recommending a bill therefor, was read.
Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Eighteen petitions, from 1,272 citizens of the State of Washington, protesting against the passage of a compulsory pilotage law, were, without reading, referred to the Committee on Commerce and Manufactures.

Moved by Mr. Williams that the vote by which House bill No. 234 was passed to its third reading be reconsidered.

On motion, action was deferred.

Moved by Mr. Powell that the reconsideration of the vote by which House bill No. 152 was passed to its third reading be had.

On motion, action was deferred.

Mr. Witt gave notice that he would move to reconsider the vote by which House bill No. 165 was indefinitely postponed.

At the request of Mr. C. Smith, House bill No. 308 was ordered printed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

House bill No. 43 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 33 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 154 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 149 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it pass as amended.

Substitute for House bill No. 65 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 126 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bills Nos. 50, 63, 288, 303, and 319 were reported back from the committee with the recommendation that the committee bill attached be substituted, and do pass.

House bill No. 277 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 185 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 271 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 119 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass as amended.
House memorial No. 1 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass.

House concurrent resolution No. 1 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass.

House memorial No. 7 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House memorial No. 5 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass.

Joint resolution No. 12 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House memorial No. 3 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass.

House memorial No. 6 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass.

House memorial No. 8 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 284 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 255 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass.

Senate bill No. 6 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that House bill No. 6 covers the same subject.

House bill No. 272 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AFFAIRS AND SOLDIERS' HOME.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Olympia, Wash., February 8, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Military Affairs and Soldiers' Home, to whom was referred a petition signed by the officers of D. A. Russell Post No. 35, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation of the adoption of the following House concurrent resolution:

WHEREAS, The attached petition states the soldiers' home at Orting is not properly situated, and that the lands are wholly unfit for agricultural purposes; and

WHEREAS, It has come to the knowledge of this committee from other sources that the home is not at all suited for the purposes for which it was built: therefore, be it

Resolved by the House, the Senate concurring, That a committee of three, two from the House and one from the Senate, be appointed to visit
the soldiers' home at Orting and report its condition, with recommendations.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

J. B. SMITH, Chairman.
G. N. HODGDON.
J. B. JOHNSTON.
WILLIS L. AMES.
CLEVELAND SMITH.
C. E. MOHUNDO.

On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS AND AUDITING.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 8, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Claims and Auditing, to whom was referred petition of George Russell, C. A. Malone and P. A. Boyer, asking that the state reimburse them for four horses, killed by command of the state veterinary surgeon, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be denied.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

C. J. MOORE, Chairman.
JOHN FORBES.
C. S. BARLOW.
PHIL. M. SMITH.
G. H. BAKER.
JOHN L. CANUTT.

On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 234, entitled "An act for the protection of game animals and birds, and song birds, and to define and punish as misdemeanors all violations thereof, and to repeal sections 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 271, and 272 of the Penal Code of the State of Washington, and all other acts in conflict with this act, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted.

H. D. JORY, Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 81, entitled "An act creating a bureau of labor, defining its duties, and appropriating money for its maintenance," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted.

MILES T. HOOKER, Acting Chairman.
MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 137, entitled "An act to provide for the registration of voters in all school districts having a population of ten thousand or more inhabitants, and regulating elections in such districts," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 99, entitled "An act to provide for the better protection of railway switches," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 186, entitled "An act to restore to Eugene Cullity his full legal rights of citizenship," has been compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. H. D. JORY, Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 102, entitled "An act to regulate the labor of railway employes," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 282, entitled "An act abolishing the office of fish commissioner, providing for the division of the state into two districts, and the appointment of commissioners thereto; also amending sections 2568, 2569, 2571, 2572, and 2573, and repealing sections 2570 and 2574 of vol. 1 of Hill's Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. H. D. JORY, Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 225, entitled "An act to establish the number of hours to constitute a day's work on all state, county and municipal work," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 248, entitled "An act providing
for a uniform system of public blanks for use in the counties of the State of Washington, and regulating the manufacture and sale thereof by the state, and making an appropriation therefor," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted.  H. D. Jory, Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 246, entitled "An act fixing maximum rates of wharfage that may be charged, prescribing penalties, and regulating travel over docks and wharves in the State of Washington," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted.  MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House concurrent resolution No. 17, relating to the examining of Superintendent Browne's codification of school laws, has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted.  MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of Senate concurrent resolution No. 12, relating to the investigation of state schools, has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted.  MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 231, entitled "An act to amend section 87, Penal Code of Washington, relating to herding and driving sheep upon lands of another:" has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted.  DAVID MITCHELL, Acting Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 222, entitled "An act to destroy the squirrel pest, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted.  MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 26, entitled "An act to provide for exemptions in case of assignments for the benefit of creditors," has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted.  MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House, the speaker signed the above.
MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
Olympia, Wash., February 8, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has amended House bill No. 31, entitled "An act relating to assignments and satisfaction of judgments," as follows: Section 1 amended to read as follows, "Section 1. Any assignment or satisfaction of judgment, or any certified transcript of such assignment or satisfaction, may be recorded in any county auditor's office or county clerk's office in which the judgment is of record, and from the time of filing for record shall be a notice of such assignment or satisfaction;" and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
Olympia, Wash., February 8, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has indefinitely postponed House bill No. 47, entitled "An act fixing and prescribing the liabilities of companies and corporations operating roadways within the State of Washington," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
Olympia, Wash., February 8, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has amended House bill No. 153, entitled "An act making it unlawful to kill or poison honey bees, and making it unlawful to place any poisoned or sweetened substance for the purpose of injuring honey bees, and prescribing the punishment therefor." In section 2 of printed bill, line 5, strike out all after the word "by" and first five words in line 6; in line 6 strike out "five" and insert "one;" in line 7 strike out "or by both fine and imprisonment;" strike out all of section 3; and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
Olympia, Wash., February 8, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has indefinitely postponed House bill No. 6, entitled "An act defining the crime of rape, and prescribing the punishment therefor," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.
The special investigating committee reported as follows:

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

Gentlemen—We, your committee, appointed by resolution of this honorable body on the 28th day of January, 1897, to investigate certain charges appearing in the Post Intelligencer of that date, purporting to
Your committee finds that at some time prior to the interview between Senator Squire and Mr. Warner, as hereinafter stated, several members of the legislature had attempted to agree to act in concert to prevent a deadlock in the senatorial contest and to secure the election of a suitable man for that position; that this attempt upon the part of these members was honorable and legitimate; that the mere fact that any member of this House or of the Senate may have been connected with that attempt, imputes to him no wrongdoing nor any knowledge of any wrongdoing nor of any attempt at wrongdoing; that it is entirely unwarranted to stigmatize the list of names of these gentlemen as "the list of corruptibles," as appeared in the Post Intelligencer of date of February 5th, 1897.

II.

Your committee further finds that upon the evening of the 24th day of January, 1897, a conversation took place in the room of Senator Squire, being room No. 10 in the Olympia hotel, between Senator Squire and Mr. Warner, and between Dr. G. V. Calhoun and Mr. Warner; that at that conversation a plan for obtaining control of the aforesaid contemplated organization was discussed.

III.

That this plan contemplated the use of money for some purpose.

IV.

Your committee finds that the real question in dispute is whether Senator Squire made a proposition to Mr. Warner or whether Mr. Warner made a proposition to Senator Squire.

V.

Mr. Warner's testimony before the committee was in substance that Senator Squire proposed to him that if he, Mr. Warner, could procure the re-election of Senator Squire, that Senator Squire would give him a thousand dollars in cash with which to entertain members of the legislature who were expected to form this organization referred to, and five thousand dollars when he was re-elected.

VI.

Dr. G. V. Calhoun and Senator Squire gave testimony before the committee in substance to the effect that Mr. Warner proposed to Senator Squire that he, Mr. Warner, would attempt to get control of this contemplated organization, provided Senator Squire would pay him one
thousand dollars down and five thousand dollars contingent upon Senator Squire's re-election.

VII.

Your committee has felt itself oppressed with the responsibility of finding facts upon contradictory testimony but feels constrained to find, from all the evidence that although it may not be beyond a reasonable doubt, the preponderance of evidence shows that the proposition, as claimed by Dr. G. V. Calhoun and Senator Squire, came from Mr. Warner, but your committee further finds that the preponderance of the evidence shows also that Mr. Warner stated that he wanted this thousand dollars for the purpose of entertaining the members of the legislature who were expected to form this contemplated organization.

Your committee is not fully satisfied from the evidence, for what purpose the five thousand dollars was proposed to be used.

VIII.

Your committee further finds that upon this proposition being made by Mr. Warner to Senator Squire, that the senator, in the language of Dr. Calhoun, demurred to a thousand dollars, stating that he had very little money, and that if he was re-elected he might be able to raise some money; but your committee further finds that although the proposition was discussed, that no agreement was consummated between the parties, and no money or any other consideration passed between them.

IX.

Your committee further finds that there is no evidence tending to show that any other members who were expected to take part in this contemplated organization had any knowledge whatever of what occurred between Senator Squire and Mr. Warner, or that any such proposition was to be made.

X.

Your committee further states that in the investigation of other matters relating to the election of a United States senator, several persons have appeared before your committee and given testimony tending to show corrupt solicitation of members of this House, but the testimony thereon has not yet been closed, and your committee is, therefore, not yet prepared to find upon the truth of the same.

JOHN H. POWELL, Chairman.
J. P. DE MATTOS.
ROBERT GERRY.
J. O. COUCH.
W. L. FREEMAN.

February 8, 1897.

Moved by Mr. Phelps, that the report be received and the committee discharged.

Amendment by Mr. Williams, to make the report a special order for Wednesday at 10:30 o'clock A. M.

On vote, the amendment was lost.
Mr. Phelps moved for a division on the motion.

On vote, the request for division on the motion of Mr. Phelps was carried: Ayes 39, noes 37, absent or not voting 2.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Day and Richmond—2.

On vote, the divided motion to receive the report was carried.

On vote, the motion to discharge the committee was carried: Ayes 41, noes 35, absent or not voting 2.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Powell and Richmond—2.

House bill No. 90 was made a special order for tomorrow at 2:30 o'clock p. m.

On request, Mr. A. S. Bush was excused from the session.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees:
House bill No. 352, by Mr. Hansen: An act to regulate and license the catching of fish, and repealing chapter 9 of the Session Laws of 1893 of the State of Washington, and abolishing fish traps, pound nets, weirs, fish wheels or other fixed appliances for catching fish in the waters controlled by the State of Washington.

Referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

House bill No. 353, by Mr. Freeman: An act to regulate the practice of pharmacy, the licensing of persons to carry on such practice, and the sale of poisons, wines, spirituous and malt liquors in the State of Washington, defining crimes and misdemeanors, and prescribing penalties in cases of the violation thereof, and repealing chapter 153 of the Session Laws of 1891, being entitled "An act to regulate the practice of pharmacy, the licensing of persons to carry on such practice, and the sale of poisons in the State of Washington," approved March 9, 1891; and also repealing chapter 113 of the Session Laws of 1893, being entitled "An act to amend section 8, chapter 153, of the Session Laws of 1891 of Washington, regulating the practice of pharmacy, approved March 9, 1891, and declaring an emergency," approved March 10, 1893, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Medicine and Surgery.

House bill No. 354, by Mr. C. P. Bush: An act to provide for the publishing of the third biennial report of the state board of horticulture, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Forestry and Horticulture.

House bill No. 355, by Mr. Wilkeson: An act for the relief of W. B. Davey, and making an appropriation therefor.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

House bill No. 356, by Mr. Scott: An act requiring common carriers to carry bicycles as baggage, free of charge.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

House bill No. 357, by Mr. J. M. Edwards: An act to provide for the formation of new counties from territory of one or more existing counties.

Referred to Committee on Counties and County Boundaries.

House bill No. 358, by Mr. Stafford: An act to regulate common carriers and to create a railroad and transportation commission for the State of Washington, whereby discrimination and extortion in charge of common carriers may be prevented, and reasonable freights and passenger tariffs may be established; to prescribe and
authorize the making of rules and regulations to govern the com-
mission and common carriers, and afford common carriers and other
parties adequate remedies; to prescribe penalties for the violation
of this act, and to provide measures and rules for its enforcement,
and declaring an emergency.

Referred to the Committee on Railroads.

House bill No. 359, by Mr. Kittinger: An act providing a lien
upon property assessed by the State of Washington or any county
or other public corporation therein for taxes or assessments.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 360, by Mr. Kittinger: An act relating to the
time of commencing civil actions amending sections 115 and 122 of
volume 2 of Hill’s General Statutes and Codes of the State of
Washington.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Senate bill No. 22, by Senator Taylor: An act providing for a
lien for employes.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Senate bill No. 85, by Senator Yeend: An act to amend section
18 of an act entitled “An act to define, regulate and govern the
state penitentiary, and declaring an emergency, approved March 9,
1891.”

Referred to Committee on Penitentiary.

Senate bill No. 95, by Senator Keith: An act to provide for an
institute fund.

Referred to Committee on Education.

Senate bill No. 131, by Senator Baum: An act for the relief of
the members of the electoral college.

Referred to Committee on Compensations and Fees of State and
County Officers.

House bill No. 361, by Mr. Kittinger: An act amending section
1 of an act entitled “An act relating to the authorizing of the col-
lection of assessments, for local improvements, by a new assess-
ment or re-assessment of the cost and expense of making same in
cities and towns, and declaring an emergency,” approved March
9, 1893, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 362, by Mr. Canutt: An act in relation to and
providing for the extermination of ground squirrels and coyotes,
in the State of Washington, and providing for the payment of a
bounty by counties for the destruction of said squirrels and coy­otes, and providing for the levy of a tax to pay bounties for kill­ing said squirrels and coyotes, in this state, and providing for the punishment of persons for falsely swearing to any statement re­quired by this act, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

House bill No. 363, by Mr. Forbes: An act to amend section 4, chapter 156, Session Laws of 1895, approved March 21, 1895, re­lating to elections.

Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections.

House bill No. 364, by Mr. Roberts: An act to abolish the boards of trustees, respectively, of the Washington school for de­fective youth, the Washington state reform school, the Western Washington hospital for the insane, the Eastern Washington hos­pital for the insane, the Washington soldiers' home, and the board of directors of the state penitentiary, as now constituted, and to create a state board of audit and control for the government, con­trol and maintenance of said institutions, and declaring an emer­gency.

Referred to Committee on Penitentiary.

House bill No. 365, by Mr. Marshall: An act to amend section 18 of an act entitled "An act to define, regulate and govern the state penitentiary, and declaring an emergency," approved March 9, 1891.

Referred to Committee on Penitentiary.

House bill No. 366, by Mr. Johnston: An act to prevent and preserve from pollution the water supplied to the inhabitants of cities and towns in the State of Washington; to declare what are nuisances in the vicinity of the source of such water supplies, pro­viding for the abatement thereof, and the punishment of violations of this act.

Referred to Committee on Municipal Corporations.

House bill No. 367, by Mr. Wolf: An act to regulate the prac­tice of pharmacy, the licensing of persons to carry on such work, and the sale of poisons in the State of Washington, defining crimes and misdemeanors, and prescribing penalties in the cases of viola­tions thereof; and repealing chapter 153 of the Session Laws of 1891, being entitled "An act to regulate the practice of pharmacy, the licensing of persons to carry on such practice, and the sales of poisons in the -State of Washington," approved March 9, 1891; and also repealing chapter 113 of the Session Laws of 1893, being
entitled "An act to amend section 8, chapter 153, of the Session Laws of 1891 of Washington, regulating the practice of pharmacy, approved March 9, 1891, and declaring an emergency," approved March 10, 1893, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Medicine and Surgery.

House bill No. 368, by Mr. Wolf: An act to regulate corporations engaged in the business of guaranteeing, or acting as security, of persons in public or private offices or positions, and agents of certain corporations, and prescribing penalties for failure to comply therewith.

Referred to Committee on Banks and Banking.

House bill No. 369, by Mr. Hargrave: An act to regulate the salaries of certain county officers of Cowlitz county herein named.

Referred to Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.

House bill No. 370, by Mr. Wolf: An act concerning mining corporations.

Referred to Committee on Mines and Mining.

House bill No. 371, by Mr. de Mattos: An act to fix fees to be collected by the secretary of state in relation to corporations, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.

House bill No. 372, by Mr. Likins: An act to permit cities and towns to take and use the water of the navigable streams, rivers, and lakes of the State of Washington for certain purposes, to regulate the supply thereof, and to prevent the pollution of the same.

Referred to Committee on Municipal Corporations.

House bill No. 373, by Mr. Pierson: An act for the relief of E. G. Bickerton and A. F. Bell, for commission due them as auctioneers in the sale of state school lands, and to make an appropriation therefor.

Referred to Committee on State School and Granted Lands.

House bill No. 374, by Mr. Ross: An act to amend an act entitled "An act requiring street railway companies to provide weather guards on street cars."

Referred to Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics.

House memorial No. 9, by Mr. Williams: Relating to the Washington state immigration association.

Referred to Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics.
REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 4, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 121, entitled "An act amending section 1 of an act entitled 'An act relating to new trials, and amending section 282 of the Code of Washington of 1881, and repealing sections 279 and 280 of said Code of 1881,' approved February 26, 1881, relating to new trials," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

J. B. JOHNSTON.
J. P. DE MATTOS.
H. D. SMITH.
J. M. GERAGHTY.
E. H. GURIE.
A. D. WARNER.
E. W. WAY.
W. H. THACKER.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill passed to third reading.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 8, entitled "An act prohibiting advertisements soliciting business in matters of divorce," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

J. B. JOHNSTON.
J. P. DE MATTOS.
H. D. SMITH.
J. M. GERAGHTY.
E. H. GURIE.
A. D. WARNER.
E. W. WAY.
W. H. THACKER.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Insurance, to whom was referred House bill No. 33, entitled "An act relating to insurance," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that the attached bill be substituted for House bill No. 33, and request that the same be printed.

Respectfully submitted.

L. J. MCATEE, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

G. N. HODGDON.
J. Z. NELSON.
FRANK WILKESON.
C. P. BUSH.
On motion, the request was granted.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill was considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 72, noes 0, absent or not voting 6.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 4, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 118, entitled "An act amending section 4 of an act entitled 'An act in relation to attorneys and counselors at law, providing for admission to the bar,' passed by the legislature of the State of Washington, and approved March 19, 1895," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report: Solon T. Williams, Chairman.

J. B. Johnston.

J. P. de Mattos.

H. D. Smith.

J. M. Geraghty.

E. H. Guie.

A. D. Warner.

E. W. Way.

W. H. Thacker.

The bill was passed to the third reading.
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 4, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 119, entitled "An act defining motions and orders," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.  

SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

J. B. JOHNSTON.
J. P. DE MATTOS.
H. D. SMITH.
J. M. GERAGHTY.
E. H. GRIE.
A. D. WARNER.
E. W. WAY.
W. H. THACKER.

On motion, the bill passed to its third reading.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 4, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 120, entitled "An act to amend section 3289 of the Code of 1881, relating to the removal and suspension of attorneys," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.  

S. T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

J. B. JOHNSTON.
J. P. DE MATTOS.
H. D. SMITH.
J. M. GERAGHTY.
E. H. GRIE.
A. D. WARNER.
E. W. WAY.
W. H. THACKER.

On motion, the bill was passed to its third reading.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 3, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 213, entitled "An act making claims for labor, damages, materials and supplies first and prior lien upon the property and assets of all corporations that may hereafter become insolvent, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully
report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

S. T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

E. H. GUE.

H. D. SMITH.

W. H. THACKER.

E. W. WAY.

J. B. JOHNSTON.

J. P. de MATTOS.

J. M. GERAGHTY.

A. D. WARNER.

The bill was ordered passed to third reading.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 3, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 232, entitled "An act establishing a board of pardons and defining its duties, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

E. H. GUE.

W. H. THACKER.

J. B. JOHNSTON.

J. P. de MATTOS.

J. M. GERAGHTY.

A. D. WARNER.

The bill was passed to third reading.
Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers, to whom was referred House bill No. 299, entitled "An act reducing the number of superior judges from twenty-one (21) to twelve (12), and restoring the judicial districts to twelve, as provided by the constitution of the State of Washington," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

C. A. Mentzer, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

Lewis Lindstrom.

Hans Hansen.

A. Mathiot.

C. S. Barlow.


Phil. M. Smith.

Moved, by Mr. Johnston, that House bill No. 299 be indefinitely postponed.

On vote, the motion to postpone was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Geraghty: Amend line 2 of section 1 by substituting the figures "13" for the figures "12," and add the following: "Provided, That Spokane and Stevens counties shall have two judges."

The amendment was lost.

The bill was passed to third reading.
On motion of Mr. Witt, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the resolution considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the resolution was passed: Ayes 66, noes 7, absent or not voting 5.


REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON MINES AND MINING.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 3, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Mines and Mining, to whom was referred House bill No. 67, entitled "An act to amend sections 4 and 10 of an act entitled an act to regulate the mode of proceeding to appropriate lands, real estate and other property," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

Henry Carr, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

Frank Wilkeson.
J. C. Kincaid.
J. O. Edwards.
C. J. Moore.
E. H. Guie.
Theron Stafford.
F. I. Phelps.
J. G. Fritz.
L. J. McAtee.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Mines and Mining, to whom was referred House bill No. 68, entitled "An act to extend the right of eminent
domain, to mining, milling and reduction works, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives," with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

HENRY CARR, Chairman.
FRANK WILKSON.
J. C. KINCAID.
J. O. EDWARDS.
C. J. MOORE.
E. H. GUIE.
THERON STAFFORD.
F. I. PHELPS.
J. G. FRITZ.
L. J. McATEE.

Amendment by Mr. Kittinger: In line 2, section 3, strike out the words "or for any corporate purpose."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Williams was called to the chair at 4:05 o'clock P. M.

Moved by Mr. Warner, that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

On vote, the motion was lost, and the bill passed to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND LABOR STATISTICS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., FEBRUARY 3, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics, to whom was referred House bill No. 217, entitled "An act to protect employes and guarantee their right to belong to labor organizations," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass, with the following amendments: In section 1, line 3, strike out the word "and" and insert in lieu thereof the word "or;" and in line 8, strike out the word "exceeding" and insert in lieu thereof the words "less than twenty-five dollars nor more than;" and strike out all of section 2.

Respectfully submitted.

PAUL LAND, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

E. H. GUIE.
F. I. PHELPS.
JOHN A. GILKEY.
D. R. LUSHER.
V. R. PIERSON.
J. O. EDWARDS.
CLEVELAND SMITH.
J. M. EDWARDS.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill passed to third reading.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE AND CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 5, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Mileage and Contingent Expenses, to whom was referred joint resolution No. 15, providing for committees to visit the various state institutions, and limiting the number and membership thereof, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass, with the following amendments: Strike out all of that portion of the resolution after the words "inspecting the following named institutions" and insert: "(1) one committee to visit and inspect and report on all claims against the Cheney and Ellensburg normal schools and Medical Lake insane asylum; (2) one committee to visit and inspect the Whatcom normal school and the state university; (3) one committee to visit and inspect the Steilacoom insane asylum; (4) one committee to visit and inspect the reform school at Chehalis and the school for defective youth at Vancouver; (5) one committee to visit and inspect the agricultural college at Pullman and the soldiers' home at Orting.

Respectfully submitted. J. G. FRITZ, Chairman.

We concur in this report: R. W. CAYWOOD.

J. PARKER.

LEWIS LINDSTROM.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill passed to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 3, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 233, entitled "An act in relation to prosecutions for public offenses in the superior courts of the State of Washington, and providing for compulsory process to compel the attendance of witnesses in behalf of accused persons in said courts; and providing the number of witnesses that accused may have compulsory process for at the cost and expense of the county; and providing the mode of procedure necessary to procure and when the accused may have compulsory process issued in his behalf at the cost and expense of the county; and amending section 1363 of volume 2 of the General Statutes of the State of Washington, as arranged and annotated by Wm. Lair Hill, and amending section 766 of the Code of Washington of 1881, as amended by section 90 of chapter 28 of the Laws of 1891, entitled 'An act in relations to the prosecutions of public offenses, and amending section 766, together with other sections of the Code of Washington of 1881, approved February 24, 1891,'" have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the
House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: Strike out the title and substitute therefor the following: “An act to amend section 1363 of volume 2 of Hill’s Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, relating to the issuance of process in criminal cases;” strike out all between and including the word “and,” in line 14 of section 1, and the word “attendance,” in line 18 of section 1; strike out all between and including the word “that” and the word “true,” both in line 19 of section 1; strike out all between and including the word “Provided,” in line 25 of section 1, and the word “affidavit,” in line 27 of section 1; strike out all of section 2, and as so amended that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

S. T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

E. H. GUTIE.

H. D. SMITH.

W. H. THACKER.

J. B. JOHNSTON.

J. P. DE MATTOS.

A. D. WARNER.

J. M. GERAGHTY.

I dissent.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Powell: Insert in line 21 the word “witnesses” in the place of the word “witness.”

Substitute amendment by Mr. Johnston: Insert in line 21, after the word “witness” the words “or witnesses.”

The amendment was adopted.

Moved by Mr. Hargrave, that House bill No. 233 be indefinitely postponed.

On vote, the motion was lost.

The bill was ordered engrossed, and passed to its third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 3, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 147, entitled “An act fixing the per diem and mileage of witnesses in criminal actions,” have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: Strike out all of section 2, and as so amended that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

S. T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

E. H. GUTIE.

H. D. SMITH.

W. H. THACKER.

J. B. JOHNSTON.

J. P. DE MATTOS.

J. M. GERAGHTY.

A. D. WARNER.
On motion, the report was adopted.
Amendment by Mr. Day: In line 3, strike out the word "one" and insert the word "two."
Amendment to amendment by Mr. Land: Section 1 line 3, to read "one fifty per day."
On vote, the amendment to amendment was adopted.
Amendment by Mr. Tobiassen: Strike out all in line 3 after the word "day" to the word "route."
Moved by Mr. Hagadorn, to lay the amendment on the table.
The motion was lost.
On vote, the amendment of Mr. Tobiassen was lost.
The bill was passed to the third reading.
Moved by Mr Marshall, that we do now adjourn.
The motion was lost.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 3, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 82, entitled "An act to provide for the adoption of a legal heir, not a minor," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed, and there be substituted in its place the accompanying bill, entitled "An act to amend section 1418 of volume 1, of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, relating to the adoption of legal heirs," and that said substitute do pass.
Respectfully submitted. S. T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.
We concur in this report: E. H. GUIE.
W. H. THACKER.
H. D. SMITH.
J. B. JOHNSON.
E. W. WAY.
J. P. DE MATTOS.
J. M. GERAGHTY.
A. D. WARNER.

Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, that we do now adjourn.
The motion was lost.
On vote, the motion to adopt the substitute for House bill No. 82, as reported by the committee, was adopted.
On motion of Mr. Williams, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill (House bill No. 375) considered engrossed and placed on its final passage.
On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 70, noes 0, absent or not voting 8.


Noes: None.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

At the request of the chairman of the Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills the speaker added two new members, namely, Messrs. Rader and Lusher, as members of said committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE NORMAL SCHOOLS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., FEBRUARY 4, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on State Normal Schools, to whom was referred Concurrent resolution No. 13, relative to appointment of committee to visit Cheney normal school, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended to read as follows: "One member from the Senate and two from the House," and the same committee be authorized to visit the state normal school at Ellensburg.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. LIKINS, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

CHARLES H. WOLF.
B. S. SCOTT.
FRANK WILKESON.
J. O. COUCH.

On motion, the bill was laid on the table.

Moved by Mr. Powell, that we reconsider the vote whereby House bill No. 233 was passed to its third reading.

The motion was carried.
Amendment by Mr. Powell: Insert in line 18, after the word "satisfied," the words "said witnesses or witness are material and necessary."

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was passed to its third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMPENSATION AND FEES OF STATE AND COUNTY OFFICERS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Olympia, Wash., February 5, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers, to whom was referred House bill No. 14, entitled "An act establishing the mileage rate for state, county and municipal officers, witnesses and jurymen," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: Strike out in line two (2) section one (1), written bill, the words "witnesses and jurymen," and as so amended do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

C. A. MENTZER, Chairman.
GEO. M. WITT.
LEWIS LINDSTROM.
HANS HANSON.
A. MATHIOT.
C. S. BARLOW.
CHAR. H. WOLF.
PHIL. M. SMITH.

On motion, the report was adopted, amendment lost, and bill passed to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE BUILDINGS, PUBLIC GROUNDS AND LIBRARIES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Olympia, Wash., February 5, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on State Buildings, Public Grounds and Libraries, to whom was referred House bill No. 172, entitled "An act to provide for the removal and permanent location of the seat of government of the State of Washington, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

DAVID MITCHELL, Chairman.
J. O. EDWARDS.
J. H. MARSHALL.
HENRY CARR.
V. R. PIERSON.
A. W. STURHMAN.
D. R. LUSHER.
Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, that the report and bill be made a special order for Thursday at 10:30 o'clock A. M., in committee of the whole House.
On vote, the motion carried.
On motion, the House adjourned at 5:25 o'clock P. M.

S. P. Carusi, Chief Clerk.

THIRTIETH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Washington, Tuesday, February 9, 1897.

The House convened at 10 o'clock A. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. W. G. M. Hays, of the United Presbyterian Church.

The roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names, except Mr. Richmond, excused.

The journal of the preceding day was, on motion of Mr. Phelps, approved, without reading.

The speaker presented three petitions from seventy-eight citizens of Lynden, Edwall, and Tolt, relating to continuance of office of state dairy commissioner, and the same, not being read, were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

A petition was presented by Mr. Hansen, from the Seattle fishermen's union, relating to the passage of House bill No. 239, the same not being read.

Referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

A petition presented by Mr. Kincaid, from citizens of Washington, relating to dairy commissioner, was read.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

Moved by Mr. Williams, that the House do now adopt the report of the investigation committee.
Moved by Mr. Williams, to reconsider the vote whereby the investigation committee was discharged.

Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, to lay the motion on the table.

On vote, the motion to table was carried: Ayes 38, noes 36, absent or not voting 4.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Fritz, Hansen, Richmond, and Smith P. M.—4.

Moved by Mr. Williams, that the detailed report of the investigation committee be made a part of the minutes of yesterday.

On vote, the motion was lost.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 233, entitled "An act to amend section 1363 of volume 2 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, relating to the issuance of process in criminal cases," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted.

H. D. JORY, Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House joint resolution No. 15, relating to the appointment of committees to visit state institutions," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. 

DAVID MITCHELL, Acting Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 217, entitled "An act to protect
employes and guarantee their right to belong to labor organizations," has
been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found cor­
rectly engrossed.
Respectfully submitted. DAVID MITCHELL, Acting Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports
that the enrolled copy of House concurrent resolution No. 17, relating to
the examination of the state school superintendent's codification of school
laws has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and
found correctly enrolled.
Respectfully submitted. H. D. JORY, Chairman.

The following resolution was introduced by Mr. Forbes:
WHEREAS, A bill for gas from the Olympia Light and Power Company,
amounting to eighty-four dollars and seventy-five cents ($84.75) has been
referred to the Committee on Claims and Auditing; and
WHEREAS, Said committee has been informed that all of the lights are
kept burning all night in the House: be it
Resolved, That the sergeant-at-arms be and is hereby instructed to see
to the register and report upon all gas bills, and see to it that the night
watchman be not allowed to burn more than two lights in the House each
night, unless members of the House are present and request the same.

On motion, the resolution was adopted.
The following resolution was introduced by the Committee on
Enrolled and Engrossed bills:
Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, That the following per­
sons be elected and be sworn in as assistant enrolling and engrossing
clerks, in the order named, the same being duly appointed and elected
by the Committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills: Mrs. Stewart, of
King county; Miss Jory, of Yakima county; J. E. Baker, of Kitsap
county; Mrs. Dr. Wintermute, of Pierce county; and Miss Alice Strohm,
of Columbia county.

On vote, the report was adopted: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not
voting 0.
Ayes: Messrs. Ames, Baker F. R., Baker G. H., Baker S. W.,
Barlow, Bush A. S., Bush C. P., Canutt, Carr, Caywood, Clapp,
Conine, Couch, Day, de Mattos, Edwards J. M., Edwards J. O.,
Freeman, Fritz, Forbes, Guie, Geraghty; Gerry, Gilkey, Hagadorn,
Hansen, Hargrave, Hicks, Hodgdon, Hooper, Irvin, Johnston,
Jory, Kincaid, Kittinger, Koehler, Land, Levin, Libby, Likins,
Lindstrom, Lusher, Marshall, Mathiot, Mentzer, Merrifield, Mitch­
ell, Mohundro, Moore, McAtee, Nelson, Parker, Phelps, Pierson,
Powell, Rader, Richmond, Roberts, Ross, Scott, Smith C., Smith
H. D., Smith J. B., Smith P. M., Stafford, Stuhrman, Struve,
House joint memorial No. 11, by Mr. F. R. Baker, relating to sale of lands in the reservation at Puyallup and memorializing congress to pass suitable laws therefor, was taken up for consideration.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the memorial considered engrossed and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the memorial was passed: Ayes 61, noes 12, absent or not voting 5.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Clapp, Jory, Land, Richmond, and Smith H. D.—5.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

House bill No. 322 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 330 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 354 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 334 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

Senate bill No. 103 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

Senate bill No. 85 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.
Petition by Mr. Marshall was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Petition No. 1 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced, read first time and referred to appropriate committees:

House bill No. 376, by Mr. Cline: An act relating to trusts, providing for a mode of procedure to carry out the provisions of this act, prescribing penalties and declaring an emergency.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations other than Municipal.

House bill No. 377, by Mr. Couch: An act amending sections 3 and 4 of chapter 128 of the Session Laws of 1893, and providing for the appraisal and payment of stock killed or injured by collision with railroad trains and engines, and providing for penalty, attorney fees, etc.

Referred to the Committee on Railroads.

House bill No. 378, by Mr. Kincaid: An act regulating the sale of spirituous liquors.

Referred to the Committee on Public Morals.

House bill No. 379, by Mr. Thacker: An act to amend section 1 of chapter 156 of the Session Laws of 1895, in relation to elections.

Referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

House bill No. 380, by Mr. Thacker: An act to provide for laying out and establishing private ditches and drains.

Referred to Committee on Dykes, Drains and Drainage.

House bill No. 381, by Mr. Likins: An act providing for the government of cities of the third class, declaring an emergency, and repealing all acts and parts of acts in conflict with the provisions of this act.

Referred to Committee on Municipal Corporations.

House concurrent resolution No. 19, relating to visiting committees of legislature, and prohibiting same.

Referred to Committee on State Buildings, Public Grounds and Libraries.

Moved by Mr. Phelps, to lay the resolution on the table.

On vote, the motion to lay the resolution on the table was lost: Ayes 34, noes 43, absent or not voting 1.


Absent or not voting: Mr. Richmond.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER, OLYMPIA, WASH., February 9, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed Senate concurrent resolution No. 17, relating to state "granted lands," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

Mr. Williams was called to the chair at 11 A. M.

House bill No. 51 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 50, noes 25, absent or not voting 3.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Koehler, Richmond, and Mr. Speaker — 3.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 57 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill failed to pass: Ayes 11, noes 59, absent or not voting 8.


Senate concurrent resolution No. 12 was read the third time, and, on motion of Mr. Roberts, was indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 246 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 65, noes 5, absent or not voting 8.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 9, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president has signed House bill No. 27, entitled "An act to provide for exemptions in cases of assignment for the benefit of creditors," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 9, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president has signed House concurrent resolution No. 17, entitled "An act relating to the examination of the codification of school laws," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

House bill No. 222 was read the third time.

Moved by Mr. Marshall that the bill be re-referred to the committee.

The motion was carried.

House bill No. 240 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

Moved by Mr. Canutt, that the vote by which the bill was passed to third reading be reconsidered, and that the bill be re-referred to the committee.

On vote, the motion was lost.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 62, noes 10, absent or not voting 6.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Hargrave, Irvin, Koehler, Phelps, Richmond, and Witt—6.

The emergency clause was passed: Ayes 62, noes 10, absent or not voting 6.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Hargrave, Irvin, Koehler, Phelps, Richmond, and Witt—6.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 234 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

Moved, by Mr. Williams, that the vote by which the bill was passed to third reading be reconsidered.

On vote, the motion to reconsider was lost.

The following resolution was introduced by Mr. Williams, out of order, and its adoption moved:

Resolved, by the House of Representatives, That the sergeant-at-arms of the House of Representatives be and he is hereby authorized to procure the warrants of the members of this House from the state auditor and deliver them to the individual members.

On vote, the resolution was adopted.

On motion, the House adjourned at 12:20 o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House convened at 2 o'clock p. m.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

A quorum being present, business was resumed.
The further consideration of House bill No. 234 was had.
Moved by Mr. Irvin, to refer the bill back to the committee.
The motion was lost.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 43, noes 28, absent or not voting 7.

Ayes: Messrs. Ames, Baker F. R., Baker G. H., Baker S. W.,
Barlow, Canutt, Clapp, de Mattos, Edwards J. O., Fritz, Forbes,
Guie, Geraghty, Hodgdon, Hooper, Johnston, Kincaid, Kittinger,
Koehler, Levin, Libby, Likins, Marshall, Mathiot, Mentzer, Merrifield,
Mitchell, McAtee, Phelps, Pierson, Powell, Rader, Roberts,
Ross, Scott, Smith C., Smith H. D., Struve, Warner, Williams,
Winsor, Way, and Mr. Speaker — 43.

Noes: Messrs. Bush C. P., Carr, Caywood, Conine, Couch, Day,
Freeman, Hagadorn, Hansen, Hargrave, Hicks, Irvin, Jory, Lindstrom,
Lusher, Mohundro, Moore, Nelson, Parker, Smith J. B.,
Smith P. M., Stafford, Stuhrman, Thacker, Tobiassen, Witt, Wolf,
and Windust — 28.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Bush A. S., Edwards J. M.,
Gerry, Gilkey, Land, Richmond, and Wilkeson — 7.

On vote, the emergency clause was lost: Ayes 32, noes 39, absent or not voting 7.

Ayes: Messrs. Baker F. R., Baker G. H., Baker S. W., Canutt,
Clapp, de Mattos, Fritz, Forbes, Guie, Geraghty, Hodgdon,
Hooper, Kincaid, Kittinger, Koehler, Land, Levin, Libby, Likins,
Mathiot, Mentzer, Merrifield, Mitchell, McAtee, Phelps, Pierson,
Roberts, Ross, Scott, Struve, Williams, and Winsor — 32.

Noes: Messrs. Ames, Bush C. P., Carr, Caywood, Conine, Couch,
Day, Edwards J. M., Edwards J. O., Freeman, Gilkey, Hagadorn,
Hansen, Hargrave, Hicks, Irvin, Johnston, Jory, Lindstrom, Lusher,
Mohundro, Moore, Nelson, Parker, Powell, Rader, Smith C.,
Smith H. D., Smith J. B., Smith P. M., Stafford, Stuhrman,

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Barlow, Bush A. S., Gerry,
Marshall, Richmond, Wilkeson, and Mr. Speaker — 7.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Mr. Williams was called to the chair at 2:30 o'clock P. M.
The hour of 2:30 o'clock having arrived, the special order, House bill No. 90, was taken up for consideration, read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

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On vote, the bill failed to pass: Ayes 49, noes 25, absent or not voting 4.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Day, Gerry, Richmond, and Mr. Speaker—4.

Moved by Mr. Marshall, that House bill No. 231 be made a special order for Monday, at 10:30 A. M.

On vote, the motion was lost.

House bill No. 231 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

The speaker resumed the chair at 3 p. m.

On vote, the bill was re-referred by request of the author.

Moved by Mr. Witt, to reconsider the vote by which House bill No. 165 was indefinitely postponed.

On vote, the motion was carried.

Moved, by Mr. Witt, to re-refer the bill to committee for amendments.

The motion carried.

House bill No. 137 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 58, noes 9, absent or not voting 11.

Amendment, by Mr. F. R. Baker: Strike out the word "June" and insert the word "October."

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

Moved by Mr. Geraghty, that the rules be suspended and the bill placed on its final passage.

On vote, the motion was carried.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 69, noes 3, absent or not voting 6.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Canutt, Gerry, Kittinger, Levin, Marshall, and Richmond — 6.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Mr. Rader was called to the chair at 4:40 o’clock p. m.

House bill No. 238 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 65, noes 5, absent or not voting 8.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 186 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 71, noes 1, absent or not voting 6.


Noes: Mr. Stafford.


The emergency clause was stricken out.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 99 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, that the bill be returned to the second reading.

On vote, the motion was carried.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Canutt, Gerry, Irvin, Johnston, Kincaid, Libby, Marshall, Phelps, Richmond, Scott, and Wilkeson—11.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 81 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 53, noes 14, absent or not voting 11.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 206 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 59, noes 9, absent or not voting 10.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 243, was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 69, noes 3, absent or not voting 6.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 282 was re-referred to the Committee on Fisheries and Game, by request of Mr. Hansen.

House bill No. 225 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 55, noes 12, absent or not voting 11.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Canutt, Gerry, Kittinger, Levin, Libby, Marshall, Richmond, and Wilkeson — 8.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

The speaker resumed the chair at 4:45 o'clock P. M.

House bill No. 102 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 59, noes 8, absent or not voting 11.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker G. H., Canutt, Couch, Day, Gerry, Kittinger, Levin, Libby, Marshall, Richmond, and Wilkeson — 11

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 121 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 67, noes 1, absent or not voting 10.


Noes: Mr. Kittinger.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 277 was re-referred to the committee.

Moved by Mr. Geraghty, that the House adjourn.

The motion was lost.

House bill No. 160 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was re-referred to the committee.

House bill No. 146 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

Moved by Mr. Powell, to reconsider the vote whereby House bill No. 146 was passed to its third reading, and that the bill be re-referred to the committee for amendment.

The motion was carried.

Amendment by Mr. Powell: Strike out in line 2 of section 1 the words "for each day's attendance," and insert in lieu thereof the word "and," and insert after the word "day," in line 3 of section 1, the words "for each day's attendance."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Ross: Amend section 1 by striking out the word "two," and inserting the words "one fifty."

The amendment was lost.

On vote, the rules were suspended, and the bill placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 64, noes 2, absent or not voting 12.

The House was called to order at 10 o’clock A. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Rev. J. B. McCallum of the Christian Church.

The roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names.

The journal of the preceding day was, on motion of Mr. Rader, approved without reading.

A petition presented by Mr. Bush, from citizens of Island county, relating to abolition of state board of horticulture, was read. Referred to Committee on Forestry and Horticulture.

Letter of invitation from Moran Bros. to witness the launching of United States ship Golden Gate, on Saturday, February 13th, was read by the speaker.

A petition by the Seattle bar, relating to removal of state library to Tacoma, was read. Referred to Committee on Judiciary.
REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

House bill No. 352 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 285 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 286 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed; minority report that it do pass.

House bill No. 169 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 170 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 209 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 264 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 279 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 280 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 269 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 263 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 278 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 258 was reported back from the committee with minority recommendation that it pass as amended; the majority recommend that it be indefinitely postponed.

Senate bill No. 16 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

Senate bill No. 13 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 260 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 223 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 180 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.
House bill No. 18 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bills Nos. 236 and 181 were reported back from the committee with recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 192 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

Senate bill No. 21 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 196 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 245 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 164 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees:

House bill No. 382, by Mr. Struve: An act to establish a naval reserve, to be attached to the National Guard of Washington.
Referred to Committee on Military Affairs.

House bill No. 383, by Mr. Barlow: An act providing for the apportionment of tax funds received from the taxation of bicycles.
Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

House bill No. 384, by Mr. Barlow: An act providing for the reservation and improvement of a portion of the public highways for the accommodation of bicycles and foot passengers.
Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

House bill No. 385, by Mr. Forbes: An act to regulate and control all powers and duties connected with and incidental to the appointment, removal, government and discipline of the officers and members of the fire and police departments of the cities of the first class, in the State of Washington, and to have control of all buildings, implements and apparatus pertaining to the operation thereof.
Referred to Committee on Municipal Corporations.

House bill No. 386, by Mr. Hooper: An act making an appropriation for the improvement and equipment of the agricultural college, experimental station, and school of science, and for the reimbursement of the Morrill fund.
Referred to Committee on Agricultural College.
House bill No. 387, by Mr. Irvin: An act to amend section 1266 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington, relating to the removal of the inmates of hospitals for the insane by friends and relatives.

Referred to Committee on Hospitals for the Insane.

House bill No. 388, by Mr. Ross: An act to amend sections 3122 and 3124 of volume 1, Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, relating to laborers' liens and claims.

Referred to Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics.

House bill No. 389, by Mr. de Mattos: An act to amend section 3, chapter 4, of the Session Laws of 1895, being an act entitled "An act to establish and maintain state fish hatcheries, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency," approved February 13, 1895.

Referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

House bill No. 390, by Mr. Hansen: An act to regulate the business of pawnbrokers.

Referred to Committee on Public Morals.

House bill No. 391, by Mr. Mentzer: An act to amend section 4 of an act entitled "An act amending sections 2710, 2712, 2571, 2713, 2714, 2718, 2720, 2726, 2727 and 2728 of the Code of 1881, and repealing section 2721, Code of 1881, as amended by subdivision 9 of section 1, page 45, Session Laws of 1883, laws of the Territory (now State) of Washington, relating to the duties of county auditors."

Referred to Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.

House bill No. 392, by Mr. Mentzer: An act to authorize the formation of cemetery associations, and prescribing their powers, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 393, by Mr. P. M. Smith: An act to authorize cities and towns which have purchased or constructed water works or gas or electric light works to lease or sell the same, and to ratify and confirm leases or sales of the same hereinbefore made by such cities and towns.

Referred to Committee on Municipal Corporations.

House bill No. 394, by Mr. Kincaid: An act to amend section 1283, Hill's Annotated Code of the State of Washington, volume 1, in relation to the soldiers' home.
Referred to Committee on Military Affairs.

House bill No. 395, by Mr. Wilkeson: An act to provide for the collection, exhibition and maintenance of the products of the State of Washington, at the Trans-Mississippi and International Exposition, to be held at Omaha, Nebraska, in 1898, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

House bill No. 396, by Mr. Mohundro: An act to create and maintain a county contingent fund.

Referred to Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.

House bill No. 397, by Mr. Merrifield: An act to provide for the holding of the sessions of the supreme court at Seattle, and for removing the state library to said city.

Referred to Committee on State Buildings, Public Grounds and Libraries.

House bill No. 398, by Mr. Way: An act to provide for voting on a constitutional amendment at the general election to be held in November, 1898, relative to taxation.

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

House bill No. 399, by Mr. Phelps: An act to authorize the boards of county commissioners of the several counties of this state, and the proper authorities of the incorporated cities and towns of the State of Washington, to issue licenses to sell beer and other malt liquors only.

Referred to Committee on Public Morals.

House bill No. 400, by Mr. J. O. Edwards: An act to provide for the organization of co-operative companies.

Referred to Committee on Corporations other than Municipal.

House bill No. 401, by Mr. Jory: An act to prevent the confiscation, by means of fines and otherwise, of the wages of minors employed by firms and corporations.

Referred to Committee on Mines and Mining.

Mr. Land gave the following notice of amendment to Rule 32:

That no bills introduced "by request" shall be printed until after the committee they are referred to act and report upon the same.

Paul Land.

Senate concurrent resolution No. 17, relating to state granted lands, was read first time.

Moved by Mr. Williams, that the rules be suspended, the second
reading considered the third, Senate concurrent resolution No. 17 considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

The motion was lost.

Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, that the vote by which Mr. Williams' motion was lost be reconsidered.

The motion was carried.

On vote, the motion of Mr. Williams was lost, and the bill referred to the Committee on State, School and Granted Lands.

House bill No. 31, by Mr. Guie, as amended by the Senate, was concurred in by the House, and the bill ordered enrolled.

House bill No. 153, by Mr. Land, as amended by the Senate, was concurred in by the House, and the bill ordered enrolled.

Mr. Rader asked consent to call up House bill No. 317 for third reading.

On motion, consent was refused.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON MEMORIALS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 5, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Memorials, to whom was referred House concurrent resolution by Mr. Mathiot, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

GEO. WINDUST, Chairman.

HANS HANSEN.

A. MATHIOT.

H. D. SMITH.

C. J. MOORE.

SOLON T. WILLIAMS.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, that the rules be suspended, the second reading considered the third, and the resolution be placed on its final passage.

The motion was lost.

The resolution was ordered to third reading.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 5, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Memorials, to whom was referred House memorial No. 1, by Mr. Warner, have had the same under consideration,
and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.


We concur in this report: Hans Hansen, A. Mathiot, H. D. Smith, C. J. Moore, Solon T. Williams.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the memorial passed to the third reading.

House of Representatives, Olympia, Wash., February 5, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Memorials, to whom was referred House memorial No. 5, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.


We concur in this report: Hans Hansen, A. Mathiot, H. D. Smith, C. J. Moore, Solon T. Williams.

On motion, the memorial was passed to third reading.

House of Representatives, Olympia, Wash., February 5, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Memorials, to whom was referred House joint memorial No. 6, a memorial addressed to congress in regard to Indian wars, extending from 1847 to 1856, urging the passage of a pension bill for
the benefit of the veterans engaged in those wars, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted. GEO. WINDUST, Chairman.

We concur in this report: HANS HANSEN.

A. MATHIOT.

H. D. SMITH.

C. J. MOORE.

SOLON T. WILLIAMS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 5, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Memorials, to whom was referred House memorial No. 8, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted. GEO. WINDUST, Chairman.

We concur in this report: HANS HANSEN.

A. MATHIOT.

H. D. SMITH.

C. J. MOORE.

SOLON T. WILLIAMS.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS AND AUDITING.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 8, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Claims and Auditing, to whom was referred House bill No. 43, entitled "An act for the relief of Snohomish county," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted. C. J. MOORE, Chairman.

We concur in this report: JOHN FORBES.

C. S. BARLOW.

PHIL. M. SMITH.

G. H. BAKER.

JOHN L. CANUTT.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill passed to third reading.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC MORALS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 5, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Public Morals, to whom was referred House bill No. 255, entitled "An act repealing all acts or portions of acts au-
authorizing the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors, and providing for the further regulation, restraint or prohibition of the manufacture and traffic in intoxicating liquors under a system of state control thereof, and prescribing penalties for violation of the same," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

J. C. CONINE, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

MILES T. HOOPER.

D. R. LUSHER.

HANS HANSEN.

Moved by Mr. Guie, that the House resolve itself into a committee of the whole House for the consideration of House bill No. 255.

The motion was amended to read "Tuesday next, at 2:30 o'clock p.m.," and adopted.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 5, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Public Morals, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 6, relating to the crime of rape, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the information that we have already reported favorably on House bill No. 6, covering the same subject.

Respectfully submitted.

J. C. CONINE, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

MILES T. HOOPER.

D. R. LUSHER.

HANS HANSEN.

The bill was advanced to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FORESTRY AND HORTICULTURE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 6, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Forestry and Horticulture, to whom was referred House bills Nos. 50, 63, 288, 303 and 319, each relating to horticulture, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that there be substituted House bill No. 402, the bill hereto attached, for said bills.

Respectfully submitted.

C. P. BUSH, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

CLEVELAND SMITH,
A. MATHIOT,
JOHN L. CANUTT,
GEO. WINDUST,
B. S. SCOTT,
J. C. KINCAID.
On motion, the report was adopted, and substitute House bill No. 402, ordered engrossed and printed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PENITENTIARY,

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 8, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Penitentiary, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 103, by Senator Yeend, entitled "An act to amend sections 12 and 13 of an act entitled 'An act to define, regulate and govern the state penitentiary, and declaring an emergency,'" have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted. CLEVELAND SMITH, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

GEO. WINDUST.
J. PARKER.
L. J. McATEE.
J. C. CONINE.
W. L. FREEMAN.
J. O. EDWARDS.
GEO. M. WITT.
W. B. ROBERTS.
A. D. WARNER.

Amendment by Mr. Marshall: "That the salary of clerk shall read $800."

On vote, the amendment was carried, and the bill advanced to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FORESTRY AND HORTICULTURE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 8, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Forestry and Horticulture, to whom was referred House bill No. 354, entitled "An act to provide for the publishing of the third biennial report of the state board of horticulture, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted. C. P. BUSH, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

B. S. SCOTT.
A. MATHIOT.
GEO. WINDUST.
S. W. BAKER.
JOHN L. CANUTT.
CLEVELAND SMITH.
J. C. KINCAID.
Amendment by Mr. Scott: Strike out emergency clause. The amendment was lost.

Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, that House bill No. 354 be indefinitely postponed.

Motion lost, and the bill ordered to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINES AND MINING.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 6, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Mines and Mining, to whom was referred House bill No. 119, entitled "An act relating to the recording of mining location notices, bonds, assignments and transfers of mining claims," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: Strike out sections 2 and 3, and as so amended, said bill do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

HENRY CARR, Chairman.

J. O. EDWARDS.

C. J. MOORE.

FRANK WILKESON.

L. J. MCATEE.

F. I. PHELPS.

THERON STAFFORD.

J. G. FRITZ.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill advanced to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RAILROADS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 6, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Railroads, to whom was re-referred House bill No. 126, entitled a bill for an act entitled "An act for the relief of the Ilwaco Railway and Navigation Company and granting to said company the right to construct, equip, maintain and operate its railroad over and upon certain tide lands in front of the town of Ilwaco, Pacific county, Washington, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: Strike out the words "an act entitled," in the title. Insert the words "wharf and" between the words "its" and "railroad," in second line of title, printed bill. Insert the words "unrestricted use" between the words "the" and "right," in line 4 of section 1. Insert the words "and wharf
for its unrestricted use" between the words "railroad" and "where," in line 5, section 1, all in printed bill. That the bill pass as amended.
Respectfully submitted. JOHN L. CANUTT, Chairman.
Re concur in this report:
J. H. MARSHALL.
THERON STAFFORD.
J. B. SMITH.
GEO. M. WITT.
A. T. TOBIASSEN.
MILES T. HOOPER.
CHARLES H. WOLF.
C. E. MOHUNDRO.

Moved by Mr. Hargrave, that House bill No. 126 be indefinitely postponed.
The previous question was ordered.
On vote, the motion to indefinitely postpone was lost: Ayes 35, noes 36, absent or not voting 7.
On motion, the bill was re-referred to the committee.
On motion, the House adjourned at 12:10 o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House convened at 2 o'clock p. m.; Speaker Cline in the chair.
A quorum being present, business was resumed.
The bill of the auditor of Cowlitz county was presented, and referred to Committee on Mileage and Contingent Expenses.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RAILROADS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 6, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred House bill No. 149, entitled "An act to prevent railroad companies and other common carriers of passengers for hire issuing limited tickets or return tickets, and to enforce the same by adequate penalties," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: Insert the words "for less than 30 days" before the word "and" in the second line of the title; strike out the word "limited" in the first line of title; insert the words "for less than 30 days" between the words "ticket" and "for," in line 2, section 1; strike out the words "until all such passage shall be used," in line 5, section 1; insert the word "for" between the words "issue" and "them," in line 4, section 2; strike out the word "for," in line 4 of section 2; insert the words "for less than 30 days" between the words "ticket" and "as," in line 4, section 2; all in printed bill; and that the bill pass as amended.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN L. CANUTT, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

J. H. MARSHALL.

THERON STAFFORD.

J. B. SMITH.

GEO. M. WITT.

A. T. TOBIASSEN.

MILES T. HOOPER.

CHARLES H. WOLF.

C. E. MOHUNDRO.

On motion, the report was not adopted.

Mr. Wolf moved to reconsider the vote by which the report of the committee on certain amendments was adopted.

The motion was carried.

Mr. Wolf moved to strike out all amendments.

The motion was carried.

Mr. Barlow moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

The motion was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Mohundro, offered as a substitute for section 1: "That no railroad company or other common carrier shall issue any ticket limited to less than ninety days."

The amendment was lost.

Moved to amend, by striking out the word "for" and inserting the word "to" before the word "issue," in line 4.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was ordered to third reading.
MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 86, entitled "An act providing for a constitutional amendment relating to the reduction of the salary of the superintendent of instruction," and the same is herewith transmitted.
R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 76, entitled "An act to prescribe the mode of payment of all obligations of debt to be paid in money," and the same is herewith transmitted.
R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 5, entitled "An act relating to the duration of judgments, and repealing sections 462 and 463, volume 2, Hill's Code of Washington," and the same is herewith transmitted.
R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has amended House concurrent resolution No. 11, in relation to selecting quarters for state offices, as follows: Strike out all of last line after the word "House," and insert the words "as soon as practicable," and the same is herewith returned.
R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINES AND MINING.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 6, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Mines and Mining, to whom was referred House bill No. 271, entitled "An act providing for discovery shaft, recording notice, and marking boundaries of lode mining claims, and repealing section 2213, chapter 2, volume 1 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: Strike out section 5, and as so amended, said bill do pass.
Respectfully submitted.
We concur in this report:

HENRY CARR, Chairman.
J. O. EDWARDS.
C. J. MOORE.
J. C. KINCAID.
L. J. MCAWEE.
F. I. PHELPS.
THERON STAFFORD.
E. H. GUE.
Amendment by Mr. Warner: Strike out section 2.
The amendment was lost.
Moved by Mr. Fritz, to lay House bill No. 271 on the table.
The motion was lost.
Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, that the bill be recommitted.
The motion was carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE AND CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., FEBRUARY 5, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Mileage and Contingent Expenses, to whom was referred Senate concurrent resolution No. 9, relative to sergeant-at-arms procuring copy of Session Laws of 1893 and 1895, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed, and that the House joint resolution attached be substituted and passed by the House.

Respectfully submitted.

J. G. FRITZ, Chairman.
R. W. CAYWOOD.
J. PARKER.
LEWIS LINDSTROM.

Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, to lay both resolutions on the table.
On vote, the motion to lay the resolutions on the table was carried.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE "SONS OF VETERANS."

OLYMPIA, WASH., FEBRUARY 10, 1897.

To the Members of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington:

GENTLEMEN — In accordance with instructions, which I have received from Sheridan Camp No. 24, Sons of Veterans, I hereby extend to you a cordial invitation to be present at Unity Auditorium, on Friday evening, February 12th, at 8 p.m., at which time the anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln will be observed with an appropriate program. Admission free.

Yours respectfully,
C. V. SAVIDGE, First Sergeant.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PENITENTIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., FEBRUARY 8, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Penitentiary, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 85, by Senator Yeend, entitled "An act to amend section 18 of an act entitled 'An act to define, regulate and govern the state penitentiary,
and declaring an emergency,'" have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted. CLEVELAND SMITH, Chairman.


On motion, the report was adopted.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

Senate bill No. 54 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 65, noes 6, absent or not voting 7.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Senate bill No. 121 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage:

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 73, noes 0, absent or not voting 5.

Ayes: Messrs. Ames, Baker F. R., Baker G. H., Baker S. W.,

Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Canutt, Koehler, McAtee, Wilkeson, and Wolf—5.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Senate bill No. 118 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 67, noes 5, absent or not voting 6.


There being no objection, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Senate bill No. 119 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 68, noes 0, absent or not voting 10.

Ayes: Messrs. Ames, Baker F. R., Baker G. H., Baker S. W.,

Noes: None.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Senate bill No. 120 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 62, noes 2, absent or not voting 14.


Noes: Messrs. Lindstrom and Stuhrman — 2.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

The Senate amendments to House concurrent resolution No. — were concurred in by the House, and the resolution ordered enrolled.

Senate bill No. 36, by Senator High: An act providing for a con-
stitutional amendment, relating to the reduction of the salary of the superintendent of public instruction.

Referred to Committee on Education.

Senate bill No. 5, by Senator Taylor: An act relating to the duration of judgments, and repealing sections 462 and 463, volume 2, Hill's Code of Washington.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Senate bill No. 76, by Senator Davis: An act to prescribe the mode of payment of all obligations of debt to be paid in money.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has amended House bill No. 32, entitled "An act requiring street railways and street car companies or corporations owning or operating street railways or street car lines, etc.," as follows: The title to read, "An act requiring street railways and street car companies or corporations owning or operating street railways or street car lines, to employ experienced and competent men to operate and assist in operating cars and dummies on such car lines, and providing a penalty for the violation of this act;" section 1 to read, "Section 1. Hereafter, street railways or street car companies, or street car corporations, shall employ none but experienced and competent men to operate or assist as conductor, motorman or gripman in operating cars or dummies upon any street railway or street car line in this state;" section 2 be stricken out; section 3 becomes section 2, and the same is herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president has signed Senate bill No. 8, entitled "An act prohibiting advertising in matters of divorce," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON STATE UNIVERSITY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 9, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on State University, to whom was referred House bill No. 334, entitled "An act to aid in the support of the University of Washington," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: Strike out section 1, and insert in lieu thereof section 2. In line 1 of section 1, strike out the word
“said,” in same line and section, after the word “regents,” insert “of the University of Washington;” in same line and section, strike out the word “also.” Section 3 shall be known as section 2. In line 2 of section 2, strike out the word “said” and insert in lieu thereof the word “all,” before “fees.” Section 4 shall be known as section 3. And as so amended that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

JOHN A. GILKEY, Chairman.

MILES T. HOOPER.

J. PARKER.

PAUL LAND.

DAVID MITCHELL.

Mr. Hodgdon moved to lay the bill on the table.

The motion was lost.

Moved, that the bill be re-referred to the committee.

The motion was carried.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 7, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on State University, to whom was referred House bill No. 322, entitled “An act establishing the state museum at the university of Washington,” have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: In section 2, line 3 of printed bill, after the word “any,” insert the words “documents or;” same section and line, after the word “send,” insert the words “the same;” in same section strike out all of line 4 to the word “to;” same section and line, after the word “the,” insert the word “said;” same section, strike out line 5. In section 3, line 1, after the word “named,” insert the words “documents or,” and as so amended that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

JOHN A. GILKEY, Chairman.

MILES T. HOOPER.

DAVID MITCHELL.

J. PARKER.

PAUL LAND.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill passed to third reading.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON STATE BUILDINGS, PUBLIC GROUNDS AND LIBRARIES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 9, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on State Buildings, Public Grounds and Libraries, to whom was referred House bill No. 230, entitled “An act to amend sections 3 and 16 of an act entitled ‘An act relating to the state library, and
declaring an emergency," approved March 8, 1893, and declaring an
emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully
report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recom-
modation that it be amended as follows: In section 1, line 3 of printed
bill, strike out the words "at his own cost;" in same section, in line 5,
after the word "librarian," insert "whose compensation shall be four
hundred dollars per annum. In section 2, line 3 of printed bill, strike out
the words "one thousand" and insert "eight hundred" in lieu thereof.
Strike out section 3. And as so amended that the same do pass.
Respectfully submitted. DAVID MITCHELL, Chairman.
We concur in this report: J. H. MARSHALL.
HENRY CARR.
J. O. EDWARDS.
V. R. PIERSON.
A. W. STUHRMAN.

Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, that the further consideration of the
bill be indefinitely postponed.
The motion was lost.
Moved by Mr. Williams, that the bill be re-referred to the com-
mittee.
The motion was carried.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 5, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on State Buildings, Public Grounds and Libraries,
to whom was referred House bill No. 2, entitled "An act to repeal chap-
ter 60 of the Laws of 1895, entitled 'An act to amend section 15 of chapter
138 of the Session Laws of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the loca-
tion and erection of a capitol building, and providing an appropriation
therefor," ' have had the same under consideration, and, we respectfully
report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recom-
mandation that it be indefinitely postponed.
Respectfully submitted. DAVID MITCHELL, Chairman.
We concur in this report: J. H. MARSHALL.
HENRY CARR.
J. O. EDWARDS.
V. R. PIERSON.
A. W. STUHRMAN.
D. R. LUSHER.

Moved by Mr. Kittinger, that the House go into committee of
the whole House to consider House bill No. 2, by Mr. Warner.
The motion was carried.
The House went into a committee of the whole House at 3:50
o'clock P. M. to consider House bill No. 2, by Mr. Warner: An act
entitled "An act to repeal chapter 60 of the Laws of 1895, entitled "An act to amend section 15 of chapter 138 of Session Laws of 1893, entitled An act to provide for the location and erection of a capitol building, and providing an appropriation therefor."

The speaker called Mr. Kittinger to the chair.

The committee arose, and the speaker resumed the chair.

The following report was made.

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE.**

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee of the Whole House, to whom was referred House bill No. 2, entitled "An act to repeal chapter 60 of the Laws of 1895, entitled "An act to amend section 15 of chapter 138 of the Session Laws of 1893, entitled An act to provide for the location and erection of a capitol building, and providing an appropriation therefor."

have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

G. B. KITTINGER, Chairman.

Moved by Mr. Williams, to lay the report of the committee on the table.

On vote, the motion was lost.

Moved by Mr. Geraghty, to make the bill a special order for tomorrow, to follow House bill No. 172.

On vote, the motion was carried.

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.**

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 4, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 251, entitled "An act to amend section 6, page 408, Session Laws of 1893, entitled 'An act to provide for the manner of commencing civil actions in the superior courts, and bringing the same to trial,'" have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

J. B. JOHNSTON.
J. P. DE MATTOS.
H. D. SMITH.
J. M. GERAGHTY.
E. H. GUIE.
A. D. WARNER.
E. W. WAY.
W. H. THACKER.

On motion, the report was adopted.
House bill No. 350, was taken from the Committee on County and County Boundaries, and referred to the Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.

House bill No. 153, by Mr. Land, as amended in the Senate, was taken up.

On motion, the House concurred in the first two amendments made in the Senate, but refused to concur in the amendment to strike out section 2.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 4, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 244, entitled "An act establishing legal rate of interest, and to prevent usury," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

S. T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

J. B. JOHNSTON.
J. P. DE MATTOS.
H. D. SMITH.
J. M. GERAGHTY.
E. H. GUIE.
A. D. WARNER.
E. W. WAY.
W. H. THACKER.

On motion, the report was not adopted.

Moved by Mr. Day, that the bill be referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

On vote, the motion was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Gerry: Amend section 2, line 1, by striking out the word "eight" and inserting the word "twelve."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Ross: Strike out section 7.

The amendment was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Parker, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 47, noes 21, absent or not voting 10.

Ayes: Messrs. Ames, Baker F. R., Baker S. W., Bush A. S., Bush C. P., Canutt, Carr, Caywood, Conine, Couch, de Mattos,


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 5, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Education, to whom was referred House bill No. 46, entitled “An act providing for the use of the American flag in the schools of the state;” also House bill No. 78, relating to the county boards of examiners of teachers, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted,

D. R. LUSHER, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

A. S. BUSH.
G. N. HODGDON.
V. R. PIERSON.
JAS. HUGH ROSS.
R. W. CAYWOOD.
J. PARKER.
A. W. STUHRMAN.
LEWIS LINDSTROM.
B. S. SCOTT.

On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 4, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 250, entitled “An act fixing the fees and compensation of sheriffs,” have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the
same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.
J. B. JOHNSTON.
J. P. de MATTOS.
H. D. SMITH.
J. M. GERAGHTY.
E. H. GUIE.
E. W. WAY.
W. H. THACKER.

On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMORIALS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 5, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Memorials, to whom was referred House Memorial No. 7, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

GEORGE WINDUST, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

HANS HANSEN.
A. MATHIOT.
H. D. SMITH.
C. J. MOORE.

On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC MORALS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 5, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Public Morals, to whom was referred House bill No. 272, entitled "An act to amend section 3 of an act approved March 15, 1895, entitled 'An act to provide for the better protection of the public health, in relation to the manufacture and sale of cigarettes,'" have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

J. C. CONINE, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

MILES T. HOOPER.
D. R. LUSHER.
HANS HANSEN.

On motion, the report is adopted.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS AND AUDITING.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 8, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Claims and Auditing, to whom was referred House bill No. 154, entitled “An act for the relief of C. Abrams, of Spokane county,” have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

C. J. MOORE, Chairman.
JOHN FORBES.
C. S. BARLOW.
PHIL. M. SMITH.
G. H. BAKER.
JOHN L. CANUTT.

On motion, the bill was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC MORALS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 5, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Public Morals, to whom was referred House bill No. 284, entitled “An act for the erection or establishment of a state orphans’ home, and to provide for the same,” have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

J. C. CONINE, Chairman.
MILES T. HOOPER.
D. R. LUSHER.

Mr. Warner moved to refer the bill to the Committee on Appropriations.
The motion was carried.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 5, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Public Morals, to whom was referred House bill No. 185, entitled “An act to abolish mileage,” have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

J. C. CONINE, Chairman.
MILES T. HOOPER.
D. R. LUSHER.
On motion, the report was adopted.
Mr. Edwards moved that we do now adjourn.
House memorial No. 12, a substitute by the committee for House
memorial No. 10, was passed to third reading.
On motion, the House adjourned at 5:15 o'clock P. M.

S. P. CARUSI, Chief Clerk.

CHAS. E. CLINE, Speaker.

THIRTY-SECOND DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, Thursday, February 11, 1897.

10 o'clock A. M.

The House was called to order at 10 o'clock A. M., by Speaker
Cline.

Prayer was offered by Rev. A. G. Sawin, of the Baptist Church.

Roll was called; all members being present and answering to
their names except Messrs. Hooper, Powell, McAtee and Clapp,
excused.

The journal of the preceding session was, on motion of Mr.
Pierson, approved without reading.

A petition presented by Mr. Winsor, relating to lobbying
against House bill No. 352, was read.

Referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

A petition presented by Mr. Hargrave, from Cowlitz county
citizens, relating to the fish bill, was read.

Referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

Petitions from 294 citizens of Wahkiakum county, relating to
the abolishing of fish traps, were, without reading, referred to the
Committee on Fisheries and Game.

A petition presented by Mr. Hansen, from fishermen of Ballard,
King county, relating to fish traps, was referred to the Committee
on Fisheries and game.

A petition presented by Mr. Hansen, from fishermen of What-
com, relating to fish traps, was referred to the Committee on Fish-
eries and Game.
A communication presented by the speaker, from a mass meeting of fishermen and citizens of Seattle, held at that city on February 3, 1897, endorsing House bill No. 239, relating to the abolition of fish traps, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

The following resolution was introduced by Mr. P. M. Smith:

Resolved, That the sergeant-at-arms be instructed to procure for the use of the members of this House one copy of the Session Laws of 1895, for each member, also one copy each of the House and Senate journal of 1895, for each member.

The resolution was adopted.

Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker that the vote whereby House bill No. 85 was indefinitely postponed, be reconsidered.

The motion was lost.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House concurrent resolution No. 11, relating to advertising for bids for office room for state officers, has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. L. E. Rader, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 31, entitled "An act relating to assignments and satisfactions of judgments," has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. L. E. Rader, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 153, entitled "An act making it unlawful to kill or poison honey bees, and making it unlawful to place any poisoned or sweetened substance for the purpose of injuring honey bees, and prescribing the punishment therefor," has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. L. E. Rader, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House, the speaker signed the above.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 402, entitled "An act to promote and protect the fruit growing and horticultural interests of the
State of Washington, to provide for the appointment of a commissioner of horticulture, to repeal certain laws in conflict therewith, and to appropriate money therefor," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. H. D. Jory, Chairman.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 322, entitled "An act establishing the state museum at the University of Washington," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. L. E. Rader, Acting Chairman.

The hour of 10:30 o'clock A. M. having arrived, the House took under consideration House bill No. 172, by Mr. Mobundro: An act to provide for the removal and permanent location of the seat of government of the State of Washington, and declaring an emergency.

Also, House bill No. 2, by Mr. Warner: An act to repeal chapter 60 of the Laws of 1895, entitled "An act to amend section 15 of chapter 138 of the Session Laws of 1893, entitled 'An act to provide for the location and erection of a capitol building, and providing an appropriation therefor.'"

The House went into committee of the whole House to consider the bills.

The speaker called Mr. Rader to the chair.

The committee arose at 11:25 o'clock A. M.

The speaker resumed the chair, and the following report was submitted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 11, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your committee of the whole House, to whom was referred House bill No. 172, entitled "An act to provide for the removal and permanent location of the seat of government of the State of Washington, and declaring an emergency," and House bill No. 2, to repeal chapter 60 of the Laws of 1895, entitled "An act to amend section 15 of chapter 138 of the Session Laws of 1893, entitled 'An act to provide for the location and erection of a capitol building, and providing an appropriation therefor,'" have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that House bill No 172 be amended as follows: In section 1, line 5, insert after the word "Pierce" the word "Spokane." When committee do rise
it report the indefinite postponement of House bill No. 172. House bill No. 2 indefinitely postponed.
Respectfully submitted. L. E. RADER, Chairman.
Moved by Mr. Williams, that the report of the committee of the whole House be adopted.
Moved by Mr. Ross, that the question be divided.
The motion carried.
On motion, the adoption of the report as to House bill No. 172 was adopted.
Moved by Mr. Ross, that the reception of report as to House bill No. 2 be indefinitely postponed.
The motion by Mr. Williams, to lay the report of the committee on House bill No. 2 on the table, was lost.
On vote, the motion to indefinitely postpone House bill No. 2 was lost.
On motion of Mr. Warner, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.
On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 41, noes 31, absent or not voting 6.
There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.
Mr. G. H. Baker was, on his own request, excused until Monday.
The following resolution was introduced by the Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills:
We, your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills, beg leave to submit the following resolution:
WHEREAS, On Tuesday, February 9, Miss Alice Strohm was elected by your Committee, and confirmed by the House, for the position of assistant engrossing and enrolling clerk: and
WHEREAS, Miss Strohm has been elected to, and accepted a position in the Senate: therefore, be it
Resolved, That Miss Strohm's election be canceled, and that the name of Katherine Baxter be substituted to fill the vacancy, she having been duly elected by your Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE AND CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 9, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Mileage and Contingent Expenses, to whom was referred the bill of the Olympia water works for $25, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be allowed.

Respectfully submitted. J. G. Fritz, Chairman.

We concur in this report: J. Parker.
R. W. Caywood.
Lewis Lindstrom.

On motion, the report failed of adoption.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bills Nos. 231, 247 and 345, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that your committee be granted further time for the consideration of the same.

Respectfully submitted. Cleveland Smith, Chairman.

We concur in this report: Geo. Windust.
A. Mathiot.
C. T. Irvin.
Lewis Lindstrom.
G. H. Baker.
John Forbes.
F. I. Phelps.

On motion, the request was granted.
It was moved to reconsider the vote whereby the report of the Committee on Mileage and Contingent Expenses was not adopted.
On vote, the motion was carried.
On vote, the report was adopted.
REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

House bill No. 65 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that the substitute bill be passed, and House bill No. 65 be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 313 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 35 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 298 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 77 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that the substitute bill attached do pass.

House bill No. 296 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 71 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed; minority report that it do pass.

House bill No. 323 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

On motion, the House adjourned at 12 o’clock M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House convened at 2 o’clock p. m.; Speaker Cline in the chair. There being a quorum present, the reading of reports of standing committees was resumed.

House bill No. 165 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 204 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 342 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 259 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 305 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 222 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.
House bill No. 309 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 294 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that committee bill be substituted and that it do pass.

It was ordered that same be printed.

Mr. de Mattos gave notice that he would move to amend rule 17.

Mr. Bush gave notice that he would move to reconsider the vote on Senate concurrent resolution No. 9.

Moved by Mr. Couch, that there be elected at this time an assistant journal clerk.

The motion was carried.

Mr. Couch placed in nomination Mr. E. E. Martin, of King county.

Moved that the clerk cast the vote of the House for Mr. Martin for assistant journal clerk.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

Moved by Mr. Kittinger, that the speaker appoint a committee of six, on cities of the first class, to consider certain bills to be brought before it.

On vote, the motion was carried.

The speaker appointed the following persons as a special committee on cities of the first class:

Messrs. Ross, Kittinger, Forbes, Williams, Roberts, and Geraghty.

House memorial No. 12, by Mr. Conine: A memorial to congress;
preamble and resolution acknowledging the honor due Wm. A. Newell, of New Jersey, as the originator of the life saving stations of the United States, etc.

Read the first time.

On motion of Mr. Conine, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the memorial considered engrossed and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the memorial was passed; ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees:

House bill No. 403, by Mr. A. S. Bush: An act to provide for the locating, opening and maintaining of the highways of the State of Washington.

Referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

House bill No. 404, by Mr. Stafford: An act providing for liens upon horses and other animals, for the cost of shoeing the same.

Referred to the Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics.

House bill No. 405, by Mr. Merrifield: An act in relation to mortgages against the estate of a deceased person.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 406, by Mr. Canutt: An act to provide that banks shall give security for deposits, and fixing a penalty.

Referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.
House bill No. 407, by Mr. Mathiot: An act to amend section 1160 of the first volume of Hill’s Code, providing for commutation of sentence of convicts confined in the state penitentiary.

Referred to the Committee on Penitentiary.

House bill No. 408, by Mr. Forbes: An act to provide for the inspection of petroleum oils, and to create the office of state supervisor, to prevent the adulteration of illuminating oils, for the better security of life and property.

Referred to the Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics.

House bill No. 409, by Mr. Witt: An act making appropriation for certain deficiencies of the previous fiscal term, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House bill No. 410, by Mr. Phelps: An act authorizing the United States circuit court commissioners for the State of Washington to take acknowledgments and affidavits.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 411, by Mr. Kittinger: An act authorizing cities and towns to construct, condemn, purchase, and acquire, add to, and maintain, conduct and operate water works, systems of sewerage, works for lighting, heating and fuel, and power purposes, cable, electric, and other railways, cemeteries, parks, and any combination thereof, with all land and property required therefor, repealing “An act relating to and authorizing cities and towns to purchase, construct, and maintain water works, systems of sewerage, gas and electric light plants, and to issue bonds to pay therefor, and declaring an emergency,” approved February 10, 1893, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to special committee.

House bill No. 412, by Mr. Kittinger: An act authorizing boards of county commissioners to expend a part of any road or bridge tax, upon main highways within the limits of incorporated cities and towns within their respective counties, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to special committee.

House bill No. 413, by Mr. Kittinger: An act providing for the construction, maintenance and removal of bulkheads or retaining walls upon or along streets in incorporated cities and towns, and providing for the assessment and collection of the cost thereof upon local districts benefited thereby, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to special committee.
House bill No. 414, by Mr. Kittinger: An act providing for the assessment and collection of the cost of improving street intersections, forming a part of any local improvement in any incorporated city or town, upon the property included in the district established for the payment of the cost of such local improvements, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to special committee.

House bill No. 415, by Mr. Kittinger: An act to provide for the construction and renewal of public water mains and sewers and appurtenances thereto, in incorporated cities and towns, and providing for the assessment and collection of the cost thereof upon property benefited thereby, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to special committee.

House bill No. 416, by Mr. Kittinger: An act amending section 3303 of the Code of Washington, the same being section 1481 of volume 1 of Hill’s Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, relating to the descent of community property.

Referred to special committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND LABOR STATISTICS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 9, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 21, entitled “An act amending section 2415, volume 1, Hill’s Annotated Code of Washington, in relation to an act for bond of contractors for security of laborers,” have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

Paul Land, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

Cleveland Smith.

J. D. Hagadorn.

F. R. Baker.

F. I. Phelps.

E. H. Gue.

J. O. Edwards.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill passed to its third reading.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 11, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 114, entitled “An act to amend section 37 of chapter 127 of the Laws of 1893,” and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.
Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 104, entitled "An act to amend section 14 of an act entitled 'An act to provide for the establishment and location of a state reform school, and to declare an emergency,'" and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 153, entitled "An act to amend section 2776 of the Code of 1881, relating to the duties of coroner when sheriff is incapacitated," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed House bill No. 184, entitled "An act relating to dairy products," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has indefinitely postponed House concurrent resolution No. 16, relating to appointment of committee to draft certain acts pertaining to state commissions, and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

Mr. Speaker:
We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 209, entitled "An act relative to recognizances, stipulations, bonds and undertakings, and to allow certain corporations to be accepted as surety thereon, and to provide for the payment of the charges of such suretyship on the same as part of the lawful expense of the principal or principals on the same, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

Solon T.-Williams, Chairman.

E. H. Guie.

J. P. de Mattos.

H. D. Smith.

J. M. Geraghty.

J. H. Powell.

H. K. Struve.

J. B. Johnston.
Amendment by Mr. Williams: After the word "board" and before the word "body," in line 2 of section 1, on page 1 of the act, insert the words "court judge."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Williams: After the word "same" and before the word "and," in line 29 of section 1 on page 2, insert the words "and no justification by such company shall be necessary or required."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Day, strike out section 2.

Moved, that House bill No. 209 be indefinitely postponed.

The motion was lost.

On vote, the motion to strike out section 2 was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Williams: After the word "pending," in line 9, of section 2, on page 2, insert the following: "That it shall be lawful for any party, of whom a bond undertaking or other obligation is required, to agree with his surety or sureties for the deposit of any or all moneys and assets for which such surety or sureties are or may be held responsible, with a bank, savings bank, safe deposit or trust company, authorized by law to do business as such, or other depository approved by the court or a judge thereof, if such deposit is otherwise proper for the safe keeping thereof, and in such manner as to prevent the withdrawal of such moneys and assets or any part thereof without the written consent of such surety or sureties, or an order of the court or a judge thereof, made on such notice to such surety or sureties, as such court or judge may direct."

It was moved to lay the amendment on the table.

The motion was lost.

On vote, the amendment was lost.

Mr. Ross was called to the chair at 3 o'clock P. M.

Amendment by Mr. Guie: Strike out the words "guardian, executor or administrator," in line 1 of section 2, and insert in line 2 of section 2, after the word "fiduciary," the words "except a guardian, executor or administrator."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Williams: Insert in lieu of section 13, the following: "Sec. 13. That if any such company shall neglect or refuse to pay any final judgment or decree rendered against it upon any such recognizance, stipulation, bond or undertaking,
made or guaranteed by it under the provisions of this act, from which no appeal has been taken for three months after the rendition of such judgment or decree, it shall forfeit all right to do business under this act.”

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Williams: Add as section 14 the following: “Sec. 14. That an act of the legislature of the State of Washington, entitled ‘An act relating to official bonds of state, county, city, town and precinct officers,’ approved March 20, 1895, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.’”

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Williams: Change the number of section “13” to section “15.”

The amendment was adopted.

The bill laid over under the rules, and passed to third reading.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 8, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 264, entitled “An act to amend section 4 of an act, entitled ‘An act to secure creditors a just division of the estates of debtors who convey to assignees for the benefit of creditors,’ approved March 6, 1890,” have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

Solon T. Williams, Chairman.

J. P. de Mattos.
H. D. Smith.
J. M. Geraghty.
J. H. Powell.

We concur in this report:

E. H. Guie.
H. K. Struve.
J. B. Johnston.

We dissent:

The bill passed to third reading, under the rules.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 8, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 278, entitled “An act subjecting the franchises of private corporations to sale upon execution and upon order of sale under foreclosure of
mortgage," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

E. H. GUE.

J. P. DE MATTOS.

H. D. SMITH.

J. M. GERAGHTY.

J. H. POWELL.

H. K. STRUVE.

J. B. JOHNSON.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 63, noes 0, absent or not voting 15.


Noes: None.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE, SCHOOL AND GRANTED LANDS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., FEBRUARY 9, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on State, School and Granted Lands, to whom was referred House bill No. 223, entitled "An act for relief of claimants on section 16, township 38 north, range 2, east Willamette meridian," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the
same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted. 

We concur in this report: J. C. MERRIFIELD, Chairman.
J. L. LIKINS.
J. B. JOHNSTON.
PHIL. M. SMITH.
J. M. EDWARDS.
B. S. SCOTT.

On motion, the bill was re-referred to the committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOSPITALS FOR THE INSANE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, 
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 9, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Hospitals for the Insane, to whom was referred concurrent resolution No. 18, by Mr. Marshall, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted. R. W. CAYWOOD, Chairman.

We concur in this report: GEO. WINDUST.
CLEVELAND SMITH.
C. E. MOHUNDRO.
B. F. DAY.
J. M. GERAGHTY.
J. C. KINCAID.
C. A. MENTZER.

The bill was ordered to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, 
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 10, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Education, to whom was referred House bill No. 192, entitled "An act to amend section 53 of chapter 12 of the Laws of 1889-90, entitled 'An act to establish a general uniform system of common schools in the State of Washington, and declaring an emergency,'" have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted. D. R. LUSHER, Chairman.
LEWIS LINDSTROM.
JOHN A. GILKEY.
A. W. STUHRMAN.
R. W. CAYWOOD.
J. PARKER.
MILES T. HOOPER.
B. S. SCOTT.
On motion, the bill was laid on the table, pending the codification of the school laws.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND LABOR STATISTICS.

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Wash., February 9, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics, to whom was referred House bill No. 196, entitled "An act to prohibit contracts on state, county and municipal work," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

Paul Land, Chairman.

Cleveland Smith.

J. D. Hagadorn.

F. R. Baker.

F. I. Phelps.

E. H. Guie.

J. O. Edwards.

J. M. Edwards.

Amendment by Mr. Roberts: In line 3, section 1, strike out the words "or within any printing office."

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Gilkey: In line 2 strike out the words "wagon road."

On vote, the amendment was lost.

The bill was ordered engrossed, and passed to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND LABOR STATISTICS.

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Wash., February 9, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics, to whom was referred House bill No. 245, entitled "An act to establish a state board of inspection for steam boilers and for the examination and licensing of engineers," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

Paul Land, Chairman.

Cleveland Smith.

J. D. Hagadorn.

F. R. Baker.

F. I. Phelps.

E. H. Guie.

J. O. Edwards.

J. M. Edwards.
Amendment by Mr. Ross: In section 16, strike out the word and figures "twelve (12)" and insert the word and figures "fifteen (15)."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Scott: In section 8, page 2, line 2, insert, after the word "apparatus," "except as herein provided."

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was ordered engrossed, and passed to third reading.

On motion, the further consideration of the committee's report on House bill No. 352 was deferred until Monday, February 15, at 2:30 o'clock p. m., in committee of the whole House.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 146, entitled "An act to amend section 227 of volume 2, Penal Code of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, in relation to the discharge of ballast in navigable waters." and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The president of the Senate has signed House bill No. 31, entitled "An act relating to assignments and satisfactions of judgments."

Also, House bill No. 153, entitled an act making it unlawful to kill or poison honey bees, and making it unlawful to place any poisoned or sweetened substance for the purpose of injuring honey bees, and prescribing the punishment therefor."

Also, House concurrent resolution No. 11, relative to the appointment of a joint committee to advertise for bids for supplying office room for state officers.

Also, Senate bill No. 54, entitled "An act to appropriate two thousand five hundred dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to repair damages caused by boiler explosion at the Eastern Washington Hospital for the Insane."

Also, Senate bill No. 119, entitled "An act defining motions and orders."

Also, Senate bill No. 120, entitled "An act to amend section 3289 of the Code of 1881, relating to the removal and suspension of attorneys."

And the same are herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.
MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 285, entitled "A bill for an act providing that corporations may be held liable for injuries sustained by employees, when resulting from negligence," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: In line 4, section 1, strike out the words "any other;" strike out all of section 3. And as so amended that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

We dissent:

SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.
J. P. DE MATTOS.
H. D. SMITH.
J. M. GERAGHTY.
J. H. POWELL.
J. B. JOHNSTON.
E. H. GUINE.
H. K. STRUVE.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill ordered engrossed, and passed to third reading.

The speaker resumed the chair at 3:45 o'clock P. M.

Moved by Mr. Bush, that substitute for House bill No. 352 be ordered printed. The motion was carried.

The speaker gave notice that he had signed, in open session, senate bills Nos. 119, 54 and 120.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 8, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 169, entitled "An act to prescribe the mode of appeal and what the transcript shall contain in all equity cases," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: Strike out all between and including the word "also," in line 6, section 1, and the word "founded," in line 7, section 1; in line 13, section 1, strike out the word "testimony" and insert in lieu thereof the word "evidence;" strike out all of section 2. And as so amended that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.
E. H. GUINE.
J. P. DE MATTOS.
H. D. SMITH.
J. M. GERAGHTY.
J. H. POWELL.
H. K. STRUVE.
J. B. JOHNSTON.
On motion, the bill was ordered engrossed, and passed to the third reading.

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Wash., February 8, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 258, entitled "An act to regulate and prescribe the manner in which debts and choses in action, for the payment of money, shall be paid," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: Strike from the title the words "and choses in action;" strike the words "chose in action" from line 1, section 1, from line 1, section 2, from line 4, section 2, from line 5, section 2; strike out all of section 3; strike out the words "Sec. 4," and insert in lieu thereof the words "Sec. 3." And as so amended, that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

J. P. De Mattos.
H. D. Smith.
J. M. Geraghty.
H. K. Struve.

Of the Committee.

Minority Report.

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Wash., February 8, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, a minority of your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 258, entitled "An act to regulate and prescribe the manner in which debts and choses in action, for the payment of money shall be paid," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

Solon T. Williams, Chairman.
We concur in this report:
E. H. Guie.
John H. Powell.
J. B. Johnston.

Mr. Williams was called to the chair at 4:20 o'clock P. M.

Moved by Mr. Johnston, to substitute minority report for majority report.

The motion was lost.

The bill was ordered engrossed, and passed to third reading.

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Wash., February 8, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 16, entitled "An act to amend sections 1075-76 of volume 2, Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, relating to the order of
payment of debts of decedents," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows:

In line 3, section 2, strike out the words "mortgages and judgments," and insert, in lieu thereof, the words "a mortgage or judgment."

In line 4, section 2, strike out the word "mortgages," and insert, in lieu thereof, the words "such mortgage."

And as so amended that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

S. T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.
E. H. GUE.
J. P. DE MATTOS.
H. D. SMITH.
J. M. GERAGHTY.
J. H. POWELL.
H. K. STRUVE.
J. B. JOHNSTON.

On motion, the amendments offered by the committee were adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Warner: In section 1, strike out line 7.
The amendment was lost.
The bill was ordered engrossed, and passed to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE, SCHOOL AND GRANTED LANDS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 4, 1897.

We, your Committee on State, School and Granted Lands, to whom was referred House bill No. 260, entitled "An act making an appropriation for the relief of T. M. Alvord on account of failure in the title to university lands," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

J. C. MERRIFIELD, Chairman.
J. L. LIKINS.
P. LAND.
H. D. SMITH.
PHIL. M. SMITH.
J. M. EDWARDS.
F. I. PHELPS.
J. B. JOHNSTON.

The bill was ordered passed to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 8, 1897.

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 13, entitled "An act relating to assignments and satisfaction of mort-
gages," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: In line 7, section 1, strike out the word "from" and insert in lieu thereof the word "of." And as so amended that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

Solon T. Williams, Chairman.

E. H. Guie.

J. P. de Mattos.

H. D. Smith.

J. M. Geraghty.

J. H. Powell.

H. K. Struve.

J. B. Johnston.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill passed to third reading.

The speaker resumed the chair at 4:50 o'clock p. m.

On his own request, Mr. F. R. Baker was excused from the session.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND MANUFACTURES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 8, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Commerce and Manufactures, to whom was referred House bill No. 180, entitled an "Act to provide for the official scaling of logs and timber," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows:

In the title, strike out the last two words.

In section 1, line 2, after the word "that," insert the word "the;" in the same line, after the word "counties," insert the word "of." In line 3, after the word "Pierce," insert the word "Mason." In line 5, after the word "that," insert the word "the." In line 6, after the word "counties," insert the word "of."

In section 2, line 8, after the word "office," insert the words "within thirty days of the day he vacates his office." In line 10, after the word "office," insert the words "for a period of thirty days."

In section 3, line 8, strike out the words "deposited with," and insert in lieu thereof the words "recorded in the office of."

In section 4, line 6, after the word "county," strike out balance of said section.

In section 5, line 13, strike out first word, and insert in lieu thereof the word "for." In lines 26 and 27, strike out the words "Scribner's rule," and insert in lieu thereof the words "the Drew rule;" in line 27, after the word "state," strike out balance of said section.

Strike out section 7.

In section 8, line 1, after the word "general," insert the words "or his
deputy." In line 2, after the word "more," insert the words "which may be offered for sale." In line 5, strike out the words "saw use," and insert in lieu thereof the word "sell;" in same line, after the word "any," insert the word "such." In line 7, strike out the words "saw used," and insert in lieu thereof the word "sold."

In section 9, line 2, strike out the word "five," and insert in lieu thereof the words "three and one-half." In lines 3 and 4, strike out the words "For surveying lumber, twenty-five cents per thousand feet." In lines 5, 6 and 7, strike out the sentence "For traveling to perform any service, more than two miles from their respective offices, five cents per mile, for going and returning." In line 14, strike out the word "traveling." In line 15, strike out the words "or lumber." In line 20, strike out the words "saw use," and insert in lieu thereof the word "sell."

In section 10, strike out articles 1 and 2.

In article 4, section 10, line 12, after the word "timber," strike out the word "to," and insert the word "for."

Strike out sections 11 and 12.

In section 13, line 2, strike out the words "and lumber."

Strike out sections 14 and 15.

And as so amended, said bill do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

V. R. PIERSON, Chairman.
A. MATHIOT.
C. F. CLAPP.
H. K. STRUVE.
THOS. WINSOR.
PHIL. M. SMITH.
JOHN FORBES.
F. R. BAKER.

Amendment by Mr. Struve: Strike out the word "timber" wherever it occurs in the bill.

The amendment was adopted.

Moved by Mr. Roberts, that the official title be "timber inspector" wherever it occurs in the bill, instead of "surveyor general."

Substitute by Mr. Ross, that the official title be "state log scaler," instead of "timber inspector."

The substitute amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Stafford: Strike out the words "Kittitas county," also "Wabkiakum county," in section 1.

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Hicks: In section 10, line 17, strike out the word "fifty" and insert the word "twenty-five."

The amendment was lost.

The bill was ordered engrossed, and passed to its third reading.
Moved by Mr. Warner, that the House stand adjourned to 7:30 o'clock P. M.
The motion was carried.
The House adjourned at 5:25 o'clock P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

The House convened at 7:30 o'clock P. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.
A quorum was present.
Mr. J. O. Edwards offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The Senate today has appointed a committee to investigate the Ellensburg normal school and Pullman college, and also a committee to investigate Cheney school and Medical Lake asylum: be it

Resolved, That the speaker of the House be requested to appoint a committee of three members to investigate Ellensburg school and Pullman college, and also a committee of three members to investigate Cheney school and Medical Lake asylum, immediately, and that said committees shall act in conjunction with the Senate committees in the investigations.

On motion, the resolution was laid on the table.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 8, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, a majority of your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 286, entitled "An act providing for the collection of jury fees in civil actions," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

Solon T. Williams, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

E. H. Guie.

J. M. Geraghty.

J. H. Powell.

H. K. Struve.

J. B. Johnston.

MINORITY REPORT.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, a minority of your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 286, entitled "An act providing for the collection of jury fees in civil actions," have had the same under consideration, and we re-
spectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

H. D. SMITH.
J. P. DE MATTOS.

Moved by Mr. H. D. Smith, that the minority report be substituted for the majority report, and that the bill do pass.

On vote, the motion was carried.

Moved by Mr. Geraghty, that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

The motion was lost.

Moved by Mr. Williams, that the bill be referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

The motion was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Canutt: Strike out the word "may" and insert the word "shall," in line 3, section 7.

On vote, the amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Roberts: Insert in line 2 of section 7, after the word "fee" the words "and has a meritorious case."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Warner: Amend section 2, line 2, by inserting the figures and word "($10) ten" in place of the figures and word "($20) twenty."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. J. O. Edwards: Strike out the figures and word "($10) ten" and insert the figures and word "($5) five," in line 3, section 2.

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Warner: Strike out section 3 and insert the following:

"Sec. 3. The plaintiff shall pay the jury fees."

The amendment was lost.

Moved by Mr. Geraghty, that the rules be suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

The motion was lost.

The bill was ordered passed to third reading.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., FEBRUARY 8, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 297, entitled "An act providing that summonses and subpœnas in
. justices' court may be served by any person of full age and competent to be a witness in the case, and not a party to the cause, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed, as it is covered by a bill already passed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.
E. H. Guie.
J. P. de Mattos.
H. D. Smith.
J. M. Geraghty.
J. H. Powell.
H. K. Struve.
J. B. Johnston.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 280, entitled "An act relating to the nomination, by a political party, of state and congressional officers, and providing for mandamus proceedings in certain cases," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.
E. H. Guie.
J. P. de Mattos.
H. D. Smith.
J. M. Geraghty.
J. H. Powell.
H. K. Struve.
J. B. Johnston.

On motion, the bill was referred to the Committee on Public Morals.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 269, entitled "An act to amend section seventy-one (71), volume 2, of the Penal Code of the State of Washington, and defining trespass upon uninclosed premises, and providing punishment therefor," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.
E. H. Guie.
J. P. de Mattos.
H. D. Smith.
J. M. Geraghty.
J. H. Powell.
H. K. Struve.
J. B. Johnston.

The report of the committee was adopted.
MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 263, entitled "An act to amend section 2 of an act entitled 'An act in relation to attorneys and counselors-at-law, providing for admission to the bar,'" approved March 19, 1895, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed, as the subject of the bill is covered by another bill already passed.

Respectfully submitted.

SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

E. H. GUIE.
J. P. DE MATTOS.
H. D. SMITH.
J. M. GERAGHTY.
J. H. POWELL.
H. K. STRUVE.
J. B. JOHNSTON.

The report of the committee was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ORDERS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Rules and Orders, recommend that the following rule be adopted as a standing rule of the House:

RULE 32½. No bill introduced "by request" shall be printed until after the committee to which said bill has been referred has acted and reported upon the same.

Respectfully submitted.

J. H. ROSS, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

S. T. WILLIAMS.
F. I. PHELPS.
W. B. ROBERTS.
A. D. WARNER.

On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Education, to whom was referred House bills No. 181 and 236, each entitled "An act to amend section 52 of chapter 12 of the Laws of 1899-90, entitled 'An act to establish a general uniform system of common schools in the State of Washington, and declaring an emergency,'" etc., have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with
the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed, as House bill No. 192, covering the same subject, has been substituted.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

D. R. Lusher, Chairman.
Lewis Lindstrom.
John A. Gilkey.
A. W. Stuhrman.
J. Parker.
R. W. Caywood.
Miles T. Hooper.
B. S. Scott.

On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND LABOR STATISTICS.

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Wash., February 9, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics, to whom was referred House bill No. 164, entitled "An act for the protection of life and property against loss or damage from steam boilers and steam machinery operated by incompetent persons," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed, for the reason that the subject matter of said bill is covered in House bill No. 245, which is recommended for passage.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

Paul Land, Chairman.
F. R. Baker.
J. D. Hagadorn.
Cleveland Smith.
E. H. Guie.
J. O. Edwards.
J. M. Edwards.

On motion, the report of the committee was adopted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Wash., February 8, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 170, entitled "An act providing for the appointment, compensation, and duties of court stenographers," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

Solon T. Williams, Chairman.
E. H. Guie.
J. M. Geraghty.
J. H. Powell.
H. K. Struve.
MINORITY REPORT.

Mr. Speaker:

We, a minority of your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 170, entitled "An act providing for the appointment, compensation and duties of court stenographers," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

P. J. de Mattos.
H. D. Smith.
J. B. Johnston.

Moved by Mr. de Mattos, to substitute the minority report for the majority report.

On vote, the motion was carried.

The bill was ordered to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Wash., February 10, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Education, to whom was referred House bill No. 78, entitled "An act relating to the county boards of examination of teachers," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

D. R. Lusher, Chairman.
A. S. Bush.
B. S. Scott.
G. N. Hodgdon.
A. W. Stuhzman.
R. W. Caywood.

We concur in this report:

L. J. Lindstrom.
A. S. Bush.
G. N. Hodgdon.
A. W. Stuhzman.
R. W. Caywood.

The report of the committee was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE.

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Wash., February 7, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Insurance, to whom was referred House bill No. 33, entitled "An act relating to insurance," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that the bill hereto attached, a substitute for said House bill No. 33, do pass, and request that it be printed.

Respectfully submitted.

L. J. McAttee, Chairman.
J. Z. Nelson.
C. P. Bush.
G. N. Hodgdon.
Frank Wilkeson.

We concur in this report:
The substitute bill was passed to the third reading.

House bill No. 420, by Mr. Hooper, was introduced out of order, entitled "An act to regulate and establish reasonable rates of compensation for carrying passengers on railroads in the State of Washington," was ordered printed and referred to Committee on Railroads.

Moved by Mr. Phelps that we do now adjourn to 10 o'clock A. M. Saturday.

The motion was lost.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 317, substitute for House bill No. 80, by Mr. A. S. Bush, was made a special order for Tuesday, February 17, at 10:30 o'clock A. M.

House bill No. 129 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 47, noes 11, absent or not voting 20.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

On motion, the House adjourned at 9:45 o'clock P. M. to meet on Saturday at 10 o'clock A. M.

S. P. Carusi, Chief Clerk.                  Chas. E. Cline, Speaker.
Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 10 o'clock A. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Representative Couch.

The roll was called; all members answering to their names except Messrs. Baker G. H., Powell, Edwards J. O., Gilkey, Freeman, Ames, McAtee, Day and Winsor, excused; Messrs. Baker S. W., Clapp, Guie, Gerry and Ross, absent.

The journal of the preceding day was ordered read.

On motion of Mr. Marshall, the same was considered read and was approved.

A petition from citizens of Okanogan county, relating to road along the Columbia river, was read.

Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

A petition presented by Mr. Wilkeson, from citizens of Hamilton, relating to road to the fish hatcheries on Baker Lake, was read.

Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

A petition from citizens of Kittitas county, relating to road to mining district, was read.

Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

A petition from citizens of Washington, relating to employment offices, was read.

Referred to Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics.

A petition from 125 citizens of Tacoma, protesting against compulsory pilot law, was read.

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Manufactures.

Several petitions from shipmasters, protesting against compulsory pilot law, were, without reading, referred to the Committee on Commerce and Manufactures.

A petition was presented from ninety-five citizens of Tacoma and West Seattle, protesting against compulsory pilot law.

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Manufactures.
A petition presented by Mr. Speaker, from citizens, relating to a ditch in section 1, township 40 north, range 4 east, was read. Referred to Committee on Dykes and Drainage.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 184, entitled "An act relating to dairy products, amending sections 2 and 3 of an act approved March 11, 1895, entitled 'An act regulating the manufacture of dairy products, to prevent deception or fraud in the sale of the same, or imitations thereof, providing for the appointment of a dairy commissioner and defining his duties, creating a state board of dairy commissioners and defining their duties, imposing certain duties upon chemists of state institutions, providing penalties for violations of this law, making an appropriation, and declaring an emergency,'" has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted.  
L. E. RADER, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House, the speaker signed the above.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 285, entitled "An act providing that corporations may be held liable for injuries sustained by employees, when resulting from negligence," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted.  
H. D. JORY, Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 189, entitled "An act to prescribe the mode of appeal, and what the transcript shall contain in all equity cases," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted.  
H. D. JORY, Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 258, entitled "An act to regulate and prescribe the manner in which debts for the payment of money shall be paid," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted.  
A. T. TOBIASSEN, Acting Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 245, entitled "An act to establish a state board of inspection for steam boilers and for the examination
and licensing of engineers," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. H. D. JORY, Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully report that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 209, entitled "An act relative to recognizances, stipulations, bonds and undertakings, and to allow certain corporations to be accepted as surety thereon, and to provide for the payment of the charges of such suretyship on the same as part of the lawful expense of the principal or principals on the same, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. DAVID MITCHELL, Acting Chairman.

Moved by Mr. Williams, that the House reconsider the vote whereby House bill No. 2 was passed.

Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, to lay the motion on the table.

On vote, the motion to table was lost: Ayes 29, noes 32, absent or not voting 17.


Mr. Merrifield was called to the chair at 10:35 o'clock A. M.

The speaker resumed the chair at 11:10 o'clock A. M.

Moved by Mr. Johnston, that the vote to reconsider House bill No. 2 be made a special order for February 17, at 2:30 o'clock P. M.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

House bill No. 337 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass.

Joint resolution No. 12 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass.
House bill No. 277 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 339 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass.

Senate concurrent resolution No. 16 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 347 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 127 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that the substitute, the printed bill attached, as amended, do pass; minority report recommends that the original bill do pass.

House bill No. 348 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 363 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 242 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS AND AUDITING.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 8, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Claims and Auditing, recommend that the following bills be allowed: To L. Bettman, for rent of committee rooms, $90; to Olympia Light and Power Company $84.75.

Respectfully submitted.

C. J. Moore, Chairman.

John Forbes.

C. S. Barlow.

Phil. M. Smith.

G. H. Baker.

John L. Canutt.

We concur in this report:

On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC MORALS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 13, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Public Morals, to whom was referred House bill No. 378, entitled "An act regulating the sale of spirituous liquors," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, that action is deferred pending the report on House bill No. 255.

Respectfully submitted.

J. C. Conine, Chairman.

Hans Hansen.

D. C. Lusher.

We concur in this report:
MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 13, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has refused to recede from amendments to House bill No. 32, and the president of the Senate has appointed the following committee, Senators Taylor, Davis and Dorr, to confer with a like committee from the House, to report as early as convenient the result of their conference to their respective houses, and the same is herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

The hour for special order of February 12 having arrived, House bill No. 201 was taken up at 11:30 o'clock A. M.

The bill was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 51, noes 10, absent or not voting 17.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 13, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The president of the Senate has signed Senate bill No. 121, entitled "An act relating to new trials," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 13, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The president of the Senate has signed Senate bill No. 118, entitled "An act relating to admission to the bar," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.
Mr. Speaker:
The president of the Senate has signed House bill No. 184, entitled "An act relating to dairy products," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

Moved by Mr. Roberts, that a committee of three be appointed to confer with a like committee of the Senate, to confer on House bill No. 32.

The chair appointed Messrs. Roberts, Land and Rader as a conference committee.

The speaker gave notice that he had signed, in open session, Senate bills Nos. 121 and 118.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced, read first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees:

House bill No. 421, by Mr. Canutt: An act providing for the foreclosure of mortgages upon real estate, and for the sale, and redemption of such real estate thereunder, preventing deficiency judgment, extending the time of redemption and possession of such real estate, and applying the rents and profits thereto.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 422, by Mr. Hooper: An act to regulate and establish reasonable rates of compensation for the transmission of messages by telegraph in the State of Washington, and fixing a penalty.

Referred to the Committee on Railroads.

House bill No. 423, by Mr. Hooper: An act to regulate and establish reasonable rates of compensation for the carrying of freight or express matter by express companies doing business within this state, and fixing a penalty.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations other than Municipal.

House bill No. 424, by Mr. Hooper: An act to provide for the safe keeping and deposit of all funds, revenues, taxes and moneys, received and receivable by the state treasurer, until the same may be disbursed by him according to law, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

House bill No. 425, by Mr. Rader: An act relating to the instructing of jurors in the superior court.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.
House bill No. 426, by Mr. Rader: An act defining false pretenses, fixing the punishment, and declaring an emergency.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 427, by Mr. Barlow: An act to provide for the custody and preservation of the records and mementos of the Grand Army of the Republic.
Referred to Committee on Military Affairs.

House bill No. 428, by Mr. Kincaid: An act providing for the survey and establishment of a state road, creating a commission, defining their duties, and making an appropriation therefor.
Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

House bill No. 429, by Mr. Pierson: An act fixing rates for, and making regulations concerning, travel on sleeping cars, and providing a penalty for violations of its provisions.
Referred to Committee on Railroads.

House bill No. 430, by Mr. F. R. Baker: An act to provide for the assessment and collection of taxes, where the property has escaped taxation by reason of some error or irregularity.
Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

House bill No. 431, by Mr. F. R. Baker: An act to provide for the better security of life and property from the dangers of coal and petroleum oils.
Referred to Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics.

House bill No. 432, by Mr. Stafford: An act to provide for the construction of a wagon road from Cle-Elum lake, in Kittitas county, State of Washington, to Fish lake, in said county.
Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

House bill No. 433, by Mr. Moore: An act to amend sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 of "An act providing for viewing, laying out, surveying and establishing county roads."
Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

House bill No. 434, by Mr. Warner: An act to provide for the erection and completion of a capitol building on the new capitol foundation at the city of Olympia, providing an appropriation therefor, repealing chapter 188 of the Laws of 1893, and chapter 60 of the Laws of 1895, and declaring an emergency.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 435, by Mr. Hodgdon: An act defining and regulating nominations of candidates for office and providing for their election.
Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections.

House bill No. 436, by Mr. Thacker: An act to amend section 13 of chapter 162 of the Session Laws of the year 1895, relating to public roads.

Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

SECOND READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 402, substituted for House bills Nos. 50, 63, 288, 303, 319, was read the second time.

On motion, the House adjourned at 12:10 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House convened at 2 o'clock P. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

A quorum being present, House bill No. 402 was taken up for further consideration.

Amendments by Mr. C. P. Bush: In line 1, section 3, strike out the words "either of," and the letter "s" from "commissioners;" in lines 2 and 3, section 6, strike out the words "either commissioner, district of."

On vote, the amendments were adopted.

In line 6, section 9, strike out the word "horticultural" and insert the word "general."

The amendment was adopted.

In line 12, section 14, strike out the words "of his district."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Rader: Amend section 4, in line 6, by striking out the letter "a," between the words "appoint" and "county," and insert the words "such persons as."

The amendment was adopted.

In section 6, line 4, strike out the words, after word "horticulture," "of the district wherein such business is to be conducted."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Scott: In section 2, line 1, strike out the words "and duties to perform which."
The amendment was adopted.
Amendment by Mr. Wolf: In section 4, line 2, strike out the words "for the better," and insert the word "better" after the word "to," in same line.
The amendment was adopted.
Amendment by Mr. Rader: Strike out the word "for."
The amendment was adopted.
Amendment by Mr. Lindstrom: In line 1, section 4, insert after the word "fruit" the figures and words "25 or more."
The amendment was lost.
Amendment by Mr. Rader: In section 1, lines 1, 2, 3 and 4, strike out all words from the word "it," in line 1, to the word "appointment," in line 4, and insert the words "the commissioner shall be a skilled horticulturist."
The amendment was lost.
Substitute by Mr. Kincaid: In line 3, section 1, strike out the word "the" and insert the word "some."
The amendment was lost.
Amendment by Mr. Rader: In line 4, section 1, strike out the words "and confirm" between the words "make" and "three."
The amendment was adopted.
The bill was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RAILROADS.
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred House bill No. 294, entitled "An act to establish and fix reasonable maximum rates of charges for the transportation of freight by railroad companies and other common carriers doing business in the State of Washington, and to correct abuses and to prevent and prohibit discrimination by railroad companies and other common carriers doing business in the State of Washington, against persons, firms, companies, corporations and localities in the matter of such rates and facilities for shipment, and providing for the due enforcement and observance of the rates so fixed, and providing for penalties by fine or imprisonment, or both such fine and imprisonment, for a failure to observe the rates and regulations and prohibitions so established and fixed as aforesaid, and providing a method for determining the reasonableness of such rates and regulations, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with
the recommendation, that the bill hereto attached be substituted therefor, and that said substitute do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

JOHN L. CANUTT, Chairman.
J. H. MARSHALL.
GEO. M. WITT.
J. C. KINCAID.
A. T. TOBIASSEN.
C. E. MOHUNDRO.
J. P. DE MATTOS.
THERON STAFFORD.
J. G. FRITZ.

Moved by Mr. Fritz, that House bills Nos. 294 and 417 be re-referred to the committee for amendments.

Moved by Mr. Ross, to lay the motion to re-refer on the table.

On vote, the motion was lost.

On vote, the motion to re-refer as amended, was carried: Ayes 36, noes 28, absent or not voting 14.


REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 309, entitled "An act for the protection of persons storing grain in warehouses, and providing a penalty," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

CLEVELAND SMITH, Chairman.
GEO. WINDUST.
A. MATHIOT.
C. T. IRVIN.
LEWIS LINDSTROM.
GEO. H. BAKER.
JOHN FORBES.
The report of the committee was adopted, and the bill passed to its third reading.

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,**
**OLYMPIA, WASH., February 10, 1897.**

**MR. SPEAKER:**

We, your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was re-referred House bill No. 204, entitled "An act to amend section 2506, of volume 1 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, relating to domestic animals running at large," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: Said amendment to be added to and made a part of section 1, viz.: "And provided further, That this act shall not apply to the counties of Okanogan, Lincoln, Douglas, Spokane, Kittitas, Yakima, Franklin, Adams, Whitman, Garfield, Asotin, Columbia, Walla Walla, Klickitat, San Juan, Pierce, Cowlitz, Snohomish, Chehalis, and Clarke;" and that the bill do pass as amended.

Respectfully submitted.

**CLEVELAND SMITH, Chairman.**

We concur in this report:

**GEO. WINDUST.**

**A. MATHIOT.**

**C. T. IRVIN.**

**LEWIS LINDSTROM.**

**G. H. BAKER.**

**JOHN FORBES.**

**F. I. PHELPS.**

On vote, the bill and amendments were laid on the table.

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HARBORS AND WATERWAYS.**

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,**
**OLYMPIA, WASH., February 10, 1897.**

**MR. SPEAKER:**

We, your Committee on Harbors and Waterways, to whom was referred House bill No. 313, entitled "An act to amend section 227 of the Penal Code of the State of Washington, arranged and annotated by William Lair Hill, concerning the discharge of ballast in navigable waters," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass with the following amendment: Section 1, line 7 (printed bill), insert after word "shall," at end of line, the words, "be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and,"

Respectfully submitted.

**J. Z. NELSON, Chairman.**

We concur in this report:

**J. H. GILKEY.**

**PAUL LAND.**

**J. G. FRITZ.**

On motion of Mr. de Mattos, Senate bill No. 146, by Senator Dorr, was substituted for the above bill, and placed on its final passage.
Mr. Kittinger was called to the chair at 3:10 o’clock P. M.

On motion of Mr. de Mattos, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, and Senate bill No. 146 was placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 58, noes 0, absent or not voting 25.


Noes: None.


The emergency clause passed: Ayes 53, noes 0, absent or not voting 25.


Noes: None.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 9, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 77, entitled "An act to amend section 414, of second volume, Hill's Code of the State of Washington, relating to certain costs," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed, and that the substitute hereto attached do pass.

Respectfully submitted. SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

We concur in this report: J. P. DE MATTOS.
W. H. THACKER.
L. E. RADER.
H. D. SMITH.
F. R. BAKER.
J. B. JOHNSTON.
H. K. STRUVE.
E. W. WAY.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Moved by Mr. Witt, that substitute bill No. 437 be re-referred to Committee on Judiciary.

The motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Warner, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the substitute bill No. 437 considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 54, noes 2, absent or not voting 22.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 9, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 296, entitled "An act relating to jury trials and prohibiting courts from taking cases from the jury after trial has commenced," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

Solon T. Williams, Chairman.
J. P. de Mattos.
W. H. Thacker.
L. E. Rader.
H. D. Smith.
J. B. Johnston.
H. K. Struve.
W. B. Roberts.
E. W. Way.

On motion, the report was adopted.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 9, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 298, entitled "An act providing that persons indicted or informed against in the superior court may plead guilty, and the sentence of the court may be suspended during good behavior, upon sufficient recognizance being executed; upon showing good behavior for seven years and payment of all costs and all damages the recognizance to be released and the proceedings dismissed, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

Solon T. Williams, Chairman.
J. P. de Mattos.
W. H. Thacker.
L. E. Rader.
H. D. Smith.
J. B. Johnston.
H. K. Struve.
W. B. Roberts.
E. W. Way.

On motion, the report was adopted.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 12, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House bill No. 323, entitled "An act making the high schools of the state available to all residents of the state free of tuition, and making an appropriation therefor," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.
GEO. M. WITT, Chairman.

We concur in this report:
G. B. RICHMOND.
C. P. BUSH.
C. J. MOORE.
THERON STAFFORD.
J. H. MARSHALL.
H. D. SMITH.
J. C. MERRIFIELD.

On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 305, entitled "An act to prohibit bulls from running at large," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.
CLEVELAND SMITH, Chairman.

We concur in this report:
GEO. WINDUST.
A. MATHIOT.
C. T. IRVIN.
LEWIS LINDSTROM.
G. H. BAKER.
JOHN FORBES.
F. I. PHELPS.

On vote, the bill was laid on the table for deferred action.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 342, entitled "An act providing for the regulation of flouring mills in relation to the maximum rates of charges for grinding grain, and providing a penalty for the violation of this act," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of
Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely post­poned.

Respectfully submitted. CLEVELAND SMITH, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

GEO. WINDUST.
A. MATHIOT.
C. T. IRVIN.
LEWIS LINDSTROM.
GEO. H. BAKER.
JOHN FORBES.
F. I. PHELPS.

On motion, the House refused to adopt the report.

Amendment by Mr. Mohundro: Add as section 5, "Sec. 5. Any mill owner or other person owning or operating a flouring mill in this state who refuses to grind for toll, but claims to be a merchant mill, shall pay a license of two hundred ($200) dollars for each year."

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was ordered engrossed, and passed to third reading.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 259, entitled "A bill for the preservation of feathered game," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed, for the reason that House bill No. 234 covers the same ground, and has been recommended to pass by your committee.

Respectfully submitted. CLEVELAND SMITH, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

GEO. WINDUST.
A. MATHIOT.
C. T. IRVIN.
LEWIS LINDSTROM.
GEO. H. BAKER.
JOHN FORBES.
F. I. PHELPS.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill indefinitely postponed.

On vote, the House adjourned at 4:15 o'clock P. M.

CHAS. E. CLINE, Speaker.

S. P. CARUSI, Chief Clerk.
Pursuant to adjournment, the House convened at 10 o'clock A. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

The roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names except Mr. Williams, excused, and Mr. McAtee, absent.

The journal of the preceding day was ordered read.

On motion of Mr. Land, the further reading of the minutes was dispensed with and the same approved.

A petition was presented by Mr. Hansen, from 195 citizens of Ballard, relating to House bill No. 232.

Referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

A petition was presented by Mr. de Mattos, from ninety citizens of Whatcom, protesting against the passage of House bill No. 106, relating to the practice of medicine.

Referred to Committee on Medicine and Surgery.

Mr. de Mattos offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That if any member shall speak more than three times on any one day, he shall only be allowed to occupy three minutes on the fourth and each subsequent occasion, unless with unanimous consent.

On vote, the resolution was lost.

Moved by Mr. C. P. Bush, that the House reconsider the vote whereby Senate concurrent resolution No. 9 was indefinitely postponed.

On vote, the motion was carried.

On vote, the committee's substitute for Senate concurrent resolution No. 9 was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Johnston: Strike out "Session Laws of 1893."

The amendment was adopted.

On vote, the clerk was instructed to cast the vote of the House for Senate concurrent resolution No. 9 as amended.

The resolution was passed: Ayes, 78 noes 0, absent or not voting 0.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

STATE OF WASHINGTON, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
OLYMPIA, February 10, 1897.

Speaker of the House of Representatives, House Chamber, Olympia, Wash.:

SIR—Governor Rogers has this day approved House bill No. 27, providing for exemptions in cases of assignment for the benefit of creditors.

Also, House concurrent resolution No. 17, providing for the codification of the school laws.

Very respectfully,

J. E. BALLAINE, Private Secretary.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

House bill No. 302 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 126 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 261 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees:

House bill No. 438, by Mr. Gilkey: An act entitled "An act to regulate splash dams in the streams of Washington."

Referred to Committee on Harbors and Waterways.

House bill No. 439, by Mr. Hansen: An act entitled "An act to amend sections one, two, four and five of an act entitled 'An act for the prevention of cruelty to children, animals, fowls and birds, and providing punishment therefor,' approved February 23, 1893."

Referred to Committee on Public Morals.

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House bill No. 440, by Mr. Couch: An act entitled "An act regulating attorneys' fees in certain cases, and providing a penalty, and amending chapter 48 of the Session Laws of 1895, and also amending section 829 of volume 2 of Hill's Code of the State of Washington."

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 441, by Mr. Tobiassen: An act entitled "An act limiting the amount of tide lands which any person, company or corporation may purchase or lease from the state, and regulating the selling and leasing of the same, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Tide Lands.

House bill No. 442, by Mr. Tobiassen: An act entitled "An act fixing the minimum size of meshes to be used for catching fish in the waters of this state, and fixing a penalty for the violation thereof."

Referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

House bill No. 443, by Mr. Hicks: An act entitled "An act for the protection and education of farmers and manufacturers in the purchase and sale of fertilizers, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

House bill No. 444, by Mr. Hodgdon: An act entitled "An act to regulate the practice of medicine and surgery in the State of Washington, and to license physicians and surgeons; to punish all persons violating the provisions of this act, and to repeal all laws in conflict therewith."

Referred to Committee on Medicine and Surgery.

House bill No. 445, by Mr. Lusher: An act entitled "An act relating to the survey and assessment of drained or meadow lands, that were once, according to survey, under water, or meandered."

Referred to Committee on Counties and County Boundaries.

House bill No. 446, by Mr. Land: An act entitled "An act relating to road supervision."

Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON MEMORIALS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 12, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Memorials, to whom was referred joint resolution No. 12, by Mr. Koehler, have had the same under consideration,
and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

GEO. WINDUST, Chairman.
H. D. SMITH.
A. MATHIOT.
C. J. MOORE.
HANS HANSEN.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill passed to third reading.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 12, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Memorials, to whom was referred House bill No. 337, entitled "An act in relation to the election of United States senator," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

GEO. WINDUST, Chairman.
H. D. SMITH.
A. MATHIOT.
C. J. MOORE.
HANS HANSEN.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill passed to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC MORALS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 13, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Public Morals, to whom was referred House bill No. 339, entitled "An act to prevent persons attending theatrical or other performances, where an admission fee is charged, from wearing upon his or her head any hat, bonnet, or covering for the head which may obstruct the view of any person or persons during the performance in a theater, hall, opera house, or building where such performance is given; prescribing a penalty for the violation of the same, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

J. C. CONINE, Chairman.
HANS HANSEN.
D. R. Lusher.

Amendment by Mr. F. R. Baker: Strike out "sec. 4."
The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Rader: Strike out "sec. 5."
The amendment was adopted.
Moved by Mr. Marshall, to indefinitely postpone the bill.
The motion was lost.
Amendment by Mr. de Mattos: Insert the following section to be known as "Sec. 2," "Sec. 2. That managers of theaters, opera houses, and places of amusement, shall provide suitable rooms for the placing of such wearing apparel."
The amendment was lost, and the bill passed to third reading.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 165, entitled "An act to amend section 42 of an act entitled 'An act to provide for state grain weighing and grading, and creating the office of state grain inspector, establishing a state grain commission, and making an appropriation of $2,000,' approved March 19, 1895," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: In line 6 of section 1, between the word "grain" (where it first appears in said line) and the word "except" insert the words "shipped by water in less than ten-ton lots," and that the bill do pass as amended.
Respectfully submitted.

CLEVELAND SMITH, Chairman.
GEO. WINDUST.
A. MATHIOT.
C. T. IRVIN.
LEWIS LINDESTER.
GEO. H. BAKER.
JOHN FORBES.
F. I. PHelps.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill ordered engrossed, and passed to third reading.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was re-referred House bill No. 222, entitled "An act to destroy the squirrel pest, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: Strike out the word "township" wherever the same appears in said bill, and substitute therefor the word "precinct" (namely in line 2 of section 3 and line 2 of section 4). Strike out the word "three" in line 10 of section 4 of printed
bill, and substitute therefor the word "two," and that the bill pass as amended.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

CLEVELAND SMITH, Chairman.
GEO. WINDUST.
A. MATHIOT.
C. T. IRVIN.
LEWIS LINDESMITH.
GEO. H. BAKER.
JOHN FORBES.
F. I. PHELPS.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the bill passed to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 12, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, a majority of your Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred House bill No. 127, entitled "An act to amend section 4 of chapter 156 of the Session Laws of 1895, relating to elections," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that the printed bill be substituted for the typewritten bill, and pass as amended: In line 6 strike out the word "full," in line 8 strike out the words "once only," in line 14 strike out the word "party" and insert the word "parties," also strike out the word "title," in same line, and insert the word "titles." After the period in line 3, insert the following: "And the names of the different parties in the left hand column, shall be printed in different faced type, alternately, and the names of the different party candidates in the right hand column shall be printed in different faced type alternately, and the space in which the names are printed shall not be less than one fourth of an inch in width." In line 24, commencing at the word "one-half," strike out "until the words of the ballot, appears," and insert therefor the words "shall extend across the lower left hand corner." In line 36, after the word "arrangement," insert the words "and printing."

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

B. F. DAY, Chairman.
G. N. HODGDON.
JOHN HARGRAVE.
C. T. IRVIN.

MINORITY REPORT.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 12, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, a minority of your Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred House bill No. 127, entitled "An act to amend section
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4 of chapter 156 of the Session Laws of 1895, relating to elections," have
had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same
back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it
do not pass.

Respectfully submitted.

John Forbes.

H. K. Struve.

Moved by Mr. Forbes, to substitute the minority report for the
majority report.

The motion was lost.

Moved by Mr. Land, to refer the bill back to the committee with
House bill No. 363.

The motion was carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINES AND MINING.

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Wash., February 8, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Mines and Mining, to whom was referred
House bill No. 65, entitled "An act to compel any person, firm, corpora-
tion or association in this state, to pay all wages in lawful money of the
United States," have had the same under consideration, and we respect-
fully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the rec-
ommendation that the substitute herewith attached be passed, and the
original bill be postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

Henry Carr, Chairman.

J. O. Edwards.

C. J. Moore.

Frank Wilkeson.

J. C. Kincaid.

L. J. McAtee.

F. I. Phelps.


On motion, the report was adopted, and the substitute bill,
to wit, House bill No. 447, adopted, and the bill ordered printed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Wash., February 9, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, a majority of your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred
House bill No. 71, entitled "An act making it unlawful for any employer
or employers of labor to pay the wages of workmen by them employed
in either store goods, merchandise, written or verbal orders, or time
checks, and providing punishment for the violation thereof," have had
the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back
to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.
Respectfully submitted.

W. B. ROBERTS.
W. H. THACKER.
H. D. SMITH.
J. B. JOHNSTON.
H. K. STRUVE:

MINORITY REPORT.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 9, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
We, a minority of your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 71, entitled "An act making it unlawful for any employer or employers of labor to pay the wages of workmen by them employed in either store goods, merchandise, written or verbal orders, or time checks, and providing punishment for the violation thereof," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.
Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

J. P. DE MATTOS.
L. E. RADER.

Moved by Mr. J. O. Edwards, to substitute minority report for majority report.

On vote, the motion was carried.

Mr. Merrifield was called to the chair at 11:15 o'clock A. M.

Amendment by Mr. C. P. Bush: In lines 1 and 2, section 1, strike out the words "other employer of labor."

Substitute amendment by Mr. Witt: In line 2, section 1, after the word "labor," insert the words "on public works."

The substitute amendment was lost.

On vote, the amendment by Mr. C. P. Bush was lost.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair at 11:40 o'clock A. M.

Amendment by Mr. G. H. Baker: In section 4, line 3, strike out the words "one hundred," and insert the words "twenty-five."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Scott: In section 2, line 10, insert "Provided, This act shall not apply to a company, corporation or other employer of labor employing less than (25) twenty-five employes."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Roberts: After the word "kind," in line 4, section 2, insert the words "unless at the request of the employer and employe."

The amendment was lost.
Amendment by Mr. Lindstrom: Amend by inserting in line 2, section 1, after the word "agents," the words "except farmers."
The amendment was lost.
The bill was passed to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FOR DEFECTIVE YOUTH AND REFORM SCHOOL.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on School for Defective Youth and Reform School, to whom was referred Senate concurrent resolution No. 16, by Senator High, relative to a committee to visit school for defective youth, and to proceed up the Columbia river to examine fish traps, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.
Respectfully submitted.
G. B. RICHMOND, Chairman.
J. PARKER.
JOHN HARGRAVE.
J. M. EDWARDS.

We concur in this report:

On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 12, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred House bill No. 348, entitled "An act providing for the contest of the election of any person declared elected as a member of the legislature of the State of Washington," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.
Respectfully submitted.
B. F. DAY, Chairman.
C. T. IRVIN.
G. N. HODGDON.
JOHN FORBES.
JOHN HARGRAVE.
H. K. STRUVE.

We concur in this report:

On motion, the report was adopted.

On motion, the House adjourned at 11:55 o'clock A. M.
The House convened at 2 o'clock P. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair; a quorum being present.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC MORALS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 13, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Public Morals, to whom was referred House bill No. 277, entitled "An act to provide for the visitation of schools, hospitals, asylums, charitable or benevolent institutions, and religious houses in this state," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

J. C. CONINE, Chairman.
HANS HANSEN.
D. R. LUSHER.

On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 12, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred House bill No. 242, entitled "An act relating to qualifications, and repealing sections 3050, 3051, 3052, 3053, 3054 of the Code of Washington, of 1881," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

B. F. DAY, Chairman.
C. T. IRVIN.
G. N. HODGDON.
JOHN FORBES.
JOHN HARGRAVE.
H. K. STRUVE.

Moved by Mr Day, that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

On vote, the motion was carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred House bill No. 347, entitled "An act to prevent corrupt practices
at elections in the State of Washington, and providing a penalty therefor," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives with the recommendation that it do pass with the following amendment: Strike out section 12.

Respectfully submitted.

B. F. Day, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

G. N. Hodgdon.
John Forbes.
John Hargrave.
C. T. Irvin.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Forbes: Substitute for section 12, "Any person elected to office who shall have been proven to have violated any provisions of this act shall forfeit his office, and said office shall be declared vacant and shall be filled in the manner provided by law for filling vacancies occasioned by death or resignation."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. F. R. Baker: Strike out section 8.

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Day: Strike out sections 9 and 10.

The amendment was adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

STATE OF WASHINGTON, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
OLYMPIA, February 13, 1897.

To the Honorable Speaker of the House of Representatives, State of Washington:

Dear Sir—Governor Rogers has this day approved House concurrent resolution No. 11, relating to advertisements for bids to furnish office rooms for state officers.

Also, House bill No. 31, relating to assignments and satisfactions of judgments.

Also, House bill No. 153, making it unlawful to kill or poison honey bees.

Very respectfully,

J. E. Ballaine, Private Secretary.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 128 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill failed to pass: Ayes 23, noes 46, absent or not voting 9.

STATE OF WASHINGTON.


REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 222, entitled "An act to destroy the squirrel pest, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. MILES T. HOOPER, Acting chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 342, entitled "An act providing for the regulation of flouring mills, in relation to the maximum rates of charges for grinding grain, and providing a penalty for the violation of this act," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. H. D. JORY, Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 180, entitled "An act to provide for the official scaling of logs and lumber," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. H. D. JORY, Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 402, entitled "An act to promote and protect the fruit growing and horticultural interests of the State of Washington, to provide for the appointment of a commissioner of horticulture, to repeal certain laws in conflict therewith, and to appropriate money therefor," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. H. D. JORY, Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 165, entitled "An act to amend section 42 of an act entitled 'An act to provide for state grain weighing
and grading, and creating the office of state grain inspector, establishing a state grain commission, and making an appropriation of $2000, approved March 19, 1895," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted.  DAVID MITCHELL, Acting Chairman.

House bill No. 232 was read third time, and placed on final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 68, noes 7, absent or not voting 3.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Kincaid, McAtee, and Williams—3.

The emergency clause was passed: Ayes 68, noes 7, absent or not voting 3.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Kincaid, McAtee, and Williams—3.
There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 15, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has indefinitely postponed House bill No. 197, entitled "An act to amend section 85 of the Penal Code as compiled in volume 2, Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, defining and punishing the crime of seduction," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 15, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed House bill No. 88, entitled "An act to prevent vivisection and dissection in the schools of the state," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 15, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has amended House bill No. 17, entitled "An act to prescribe the duties and fix the compensation of the supreme court reporter, as follows: Strike out the last four words of title; strike out the words "fifteen hundred," in the last line of first page of written bill, and insert the words "two thousand;" strike out section 2, and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 15, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed Senate memorial No. 2, relative to roads, and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 15, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 56, entitled "An act relating to trade marks," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 15, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 77, entitled "An act making provisions for the incorporation of cemetery associations," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.
MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 66, entitled "An act for the relief of O. M. Hidden," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 106, entitled "An act to provide for the purchasing of stationery, desk supplies, and furnishings for the state legislature," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

House bill No. 299 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, that the bill be re-referred to the Judiciary Committee.

On vote, the motion to re-refer was lost.

Moved by Mr. Hansen, to defer action on House bill No. 352 until Wednesday, February 17, at 10:30 o'clock A. m.

The motion was carried.

Moved by Mr. Rader, that House bill No. 299 be referred to Judiciary Committee, with instructions to amend as to districts.

The motion was carried.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 67 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 70, noes 4, absent or not voting 4.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. McAtee, Nelson, Rader, and Williams—4.

The emergency clause was passed: Ayes 70, noes 4, absent or not voting 4.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. McAtee, Nelson, Rader, and Williams—4.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 68 was read third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 68, noes 6, absent or not voting 4.


The emergency clause passed: Ayes 68, noes 6, absent or not voting 4.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House joint resolution No. 15 was read third time, and placed on its final passage.

Moved by Mr. Canutt, to lay the resolution on the table.

On vote, the motion was lost.

The previous question was ordered.

On vote, the resolution failed to pass: Ayes 31, noes 44, absent or not voting 3.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Geraghty, McAtee, and Williams—3.
INTRODUCTION OF BILLS OUT OF THEIR ORDER.

House bill No. 448, by Mr. Conine (by request): An act to provide for the election of a superintendent of public schools in each of the counties of the state by the school directors of each county, and repealing all laws conflicting therewith.

Referred to Committee on Education.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 233 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 62, noes 5, absent or not voting 11.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Fritz, Geraghty, Gilkey, Hodgdon, Jory, Land, McAtee, Rader, Way, Williams, and Wilkes—11.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Mr. Warner was called to the chair at 4:10 o’clock p. m.

House bill No. 147, by Mr. Johnson, was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 58, noes 5, absent or not voting 15.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 14 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 58, noes 8, absent or not voting 12.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Mr. Pierson moved that we do now adjourn.

The motion was lost.

House concurrent resolution No. 1 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the resolution was passed: Ayes 70, noes 2, absent or not voting 6.

House memorial No. 1 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the memorial was passed: Ayes 58, noes 15, absent or not voting 5.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Geraghty, Gerry, Hooper, McAtee, Smith P. M., and Williams—6.

House memorial No. 1 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the memorial was passed: Ayes 58, noes 15, absent or not voting 5.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker S. W., Geraghty, McAtee, Smith P. M., and Williams—5.

Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, that the House reconsider the vote whereby House memorial No. 1 was passed.

The motion was lost.

House memorial No. 3 was read third time, and placed on final passage.

On vote, the memorial was passed: Ayes 75, noes 0, absent or not voting 3.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. McAtee, Smith P. M., and Williams—3.

House memorial No. 6 was read the third time and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the memorial was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: 0.

Absent or not voting: 0.

House memorial No. 8 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the memorial was passed: Ayes 64, noes 7, absent or not voting 7.

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ford, Thacker, Tobiassen, Warner, Winsor, Wilkeson, Way, Witt, Wolf, Windust, and Mr. Speaker—64.


House bill No. 43 was read the third time; and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 69, noes 0, absent or not voting 9.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Gerry, Hicks, Libby, McAtee, Roberts, Smith P. M., Williams, Wilkeson, and Wolf—9.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 15, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed Senate concurrent resolution No. 19, relating to the appointment of a committee to visit the fishing waters of the State of Washington, and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

On vote, the House adjourned at 5:05 o'clock P. M.

S. P. CARUSI, Chief Clerk.

CHAS. E. CLINE, Speaker.
Pursuant to adjournment, the House convened at 10 o'clock A. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Rev. W. G. M. Hay's, of the United Presbyterian Church.

Roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names.

The journal of the preceding session was read.

On motion of Mr. Struve, the same was considered read and approved.

Mrs. M. A. Stewart was sworn in by Speaker Cline as assistant enrolling clerk.

A petition was presented from citizens of Kittitas county, asking for a road in Cle-Elum district, and for an appropriation to build the same.

Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 38, entitled "An act to prevent vivisection, and regulate dissection in the schools of the State of Washington, except medical and dental schools, or medical department of any school, and providing a penalty therefor," has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. D. R. Lusher, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your committee on Enrolled and Engrossed bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 347, entitled "An act to prevent corrupt practices at elections in the State of Washington, and providing a penalty therefor," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. D. R. Lusher, Acting Chairman.
Moved by Mr. Moore to reconsider the vote whereby House bill No. 128 was defeated.

On vote, the motion to reconsider was carried.

The hour of 10:30 o'clock A.M. having arrived, the House took under consideration House bill No. 317, substitute for House bill No. 80, entitled "An act to provide for voting on an amendment to section (1) one of article (2) two of the Constitution of the State of Washington, embodying the right of direct legislation by the people."

The bill was read the third time.

Mr. Merrifield was called to the chair at 11 o'clock A.M.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair at 11:45 o'clock A.M.

On motion, the previous question was ordered, and the bill was placed on final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 63, noes 12, absent or not voting 3.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

On motion, the House adjourned at 11:45 o'clock A.M.

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AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House convened at 2 o'clock P.M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.
A quorum being present, House bill No. 128 was further considered.

The bill was placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill failed to pass: Ayes 37, noes 37, absent or not voting 4.


REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE AND CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

House of Representatives,

Olympia, Wash., February 15, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Mileage and Contingent Expenses, to whom was referred expense bill for bringing election returns from Cowlitz county and returning same in Hargrave-Sims contest case, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that the sum of $46.50, as per appended itemized statement, be allowed.

Respectfully submitted.

J. G. Fritz, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

J. Parker.
R. W. Caywood.
L. E. Rader.
Lewis Lindstrom.

On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

House bill No. 56 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 290 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.
House bill No. 365 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 407 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 307 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 200 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that substitute be printed, and that it do pass.

House bill No. 87 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 91 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 52 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bills Nos. 16 and 239 were reported back from the committee with recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed, and that substitute House bill No. 352 do pass.

House bill No. 227 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 267 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 203 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 268 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 143 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 274 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed; minority report that the bill do pass.

Senate bill No. 131 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 237 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 417 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended; minority report that the bill be indefinitely postponed, and that House bill No. 167 be substituted therefor, and do pass as amended.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINES AND MINING.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 13, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Mines and Mining, to whom was referred House bill No. 308, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation, and to regulate the business of co-operative mining companies," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be referred to the Committee on Corporations other than Municipal.

Respectfully submitted:  
HENRY CARR, Chairman.
J. H. MARSHALL.
C. J. MOORE.
THERON STAFFORD.
J. O. EDWARDS.
C. H. WOLF.
FRANK WILKESON.

On motion, the request was granted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE ON HOUSE BILL No. 32.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 15, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Conference, to whom was referred House bill No. 32, entitled "An act requiring street railway and street car companies or corporations, owning or operating street railways or street car lines, to employ experienced and competent men to operate and assist in operating cars and dummies on such car lines, and providing a penalty for violation of this act," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that the House concur in the amendments as made by the Senate.

Respectfully submitted:  
W. B. ROBERTS, Chairman.
L. E. RADER.
PAUL LAND.

On motion, the report was adopted.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees.

House bill No. 449, by Mr. Powell: An act to prevent the adulteration of candy.

Referred to Committee on Public Morals.

House bill No. 450, by Mr. Powell: An act to amend sections
1651 and 1652 of volume 1 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington of 1881, relating to foreclosure of chattel mortgages.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 451, by Mr. Williams: An act making provision for compulsory arbitration and award in Washington.

Referred to Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics.

House bill No. 452, by Mr. Williams: An act to amend section 980 of volume 2 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, relating to the verification of claims presented to the administrator or executor of an estate, and validating all claims heretofore verified as in this act provided, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 453, by Mr. Williams: An act to amend section 9 of an act approved March 15, 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the manner of commencing civil actions in the superior courts, and bringing the same to trial," in relation to service of summons by publication in civil actions.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 454, by Mr. Barlow: An act to amend section 1 of chapter 75 of Laws of 1895 of the State of Washington, prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors on or near the grounds of the state university of Washington.

Referred to Committee on State University.

House bill No. 455, by Mr. Rader: An act to provide for the election of certain officers.

Referred to Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.

House bill No. 456, by Mr. Rader: An act to repeal chapter 125 of the Laws of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the creation of a state board of land commissioners, for the management and disposition of the public lands of the state, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.

House bill No. 457, by Mr. Canutt: An act providing for the payment of county and municipal taxes in warrants.

Referred to Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.
House bill No. 458, by Mr. Canutt: An act regulating the charges for services by telephone companies.
Referred to Committee on Municipal Corporations.

House bill No. 459, by Mr. Phelps: An act providing for a state wagon road beginning at a point on the Columbia river, opposite the town of Marcus, Stevens county, thence following the state road as near as practicable as at present laid out, to a point on the east bank of the Methow river, opposite the mouth of the Twisp river; thence over and across the summit of the Cascade mountains, on the line as already laid out and established, to a point on the west bank of the Skagit river, and connecting with the present county road at or near Marble mountain, Skagit county, and making an appropriation therefor.
Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

House bill No. 460, by Mr. Phelps: An act to amend section 2973, of volume 1, of Hill’s Annotated Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington, relative to county officers.
Referred to Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.

House bill No. 461, by Mr. Phelps: An act reducing salaries of county officers, and amending chapter 161 of Session Laws of 1895, approved March 20, 1895.
Referred to Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.

House bill No. 462, by Mr. G. H. Baker: An act to repeal an act entitled “An act to prevent trespass by sheep upon certain lands in this territory, and to punish the owners of such sheep for violation of this act,” approved February 2, 1888.
Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

House bill No. 463, by Mr. Roberts: An act to amend sections 2936 and 2938 of volume 1 of Hill’s Annotated Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington, relating to county printing, providing for penalty for violation of this act, and declaring an emergency, and a repeal of inconsistent laws, and especially section 96 of the Revenue Laws of 1893, and section 23 of the Revenue Laws of 1895, and an act relating to legal publication, approved March 3, 193, as the same appears at page 62 of the 1893 Laws of the State of Washington.
Referred to Committee on Printing and Supplies.

House bill No. 464, by Mr. J. M. Edwards: An act to establish
a board of examiners for surveyors, prescribing their duties, and
the duties of surveyors, and fixing their compensation, and pro-
viding a penalty for violations of this act.

Referred to Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and
County Officers.

House bill No. 465, by Mr. C. P. Bush: An act amending section
489 of volume 2 of Hill's Code, relating to exemptions.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 466, by Mr. Mitchell: An act to prohibit the
adulteration of honey, and to provide a punishment therefor.

Referred to Committee on Hygiene and Dentistry.

House bill No. 467, by Mr. Moore: An act relating to improve-
ments on school land and the leasing thereof.

Referred to Committee on State, School and Granted Lands.

House bill No. 468, by Mr. Couch: An act requiring rail-
roads to provide at points of connection, intersection and bisection
in this state, facilities for transferring cars of freight from the line
or tracks of the one to the line or tracks of the other, and for for-
warding same to destination, and for receiving and forwarding
freight in less than carload lots intended for continuous shipment,
and providing for enforcement thereof, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

House bill No. 469, by Mr. Hansen: An act to prevent the
act of wagering or betting on elections.

Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections.

House bill No. 470, by Mr. de Mattos: An act for the protection
of food fishes, providing penalties and their collection and distribu-
tion, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

House bill No. 471, by Mr. Roberts: An act remitting costs,
penalties and interest on delinquent taxes, and declaring an emer-
gency.

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

House bill No. 472, by Mr. Lusher: An act to establish a gen-
eral uniform system of public schools in the State of Washington,
and repealing chapter 6 of title 4 of Hill's Code, and all amend-
ments thereto; also chapter 7 of title 5 of Hill's Code, and all amend-
ments thereto; also title 10 of Hill's Code, and all amend-
ments thereto; also chapter 4 of title 50 of Hill's Code, and all amend-
ments thereto; also repealing an act entitled "An act con-
cerning the formation of new school districts, changing the boundaries and transferring territory from one district to another," approved March 9, 1893; also repealing an act entitled "An act to provide for the management and control of state normal schools in the State of Washington," approved March 10, 1893, and all amendments thereto; also repealing an act entitled "An act granting to school districts the right to purchase school house sites of school lands belonging to the State of Washington of not less than one acre and not more than five acres, and granting to school districts the preference right to purchase such sites, and declaring an emergency," approved February 26, 1895; also repealing an act entitled "An act relating to the indebtedness of school districts, providing means and methods for paying and funding the same, and means for validating the same or any part thereof incurred in excess of one and one-half per centum of the taxable property of the school district, without the assent of three-fifths of the voters of the school district voting at an election held for that purpose, and declaring that an emergency exists for the taking effect of this act on its passage and approval by the governor," approved March 1, 1895; also repealing an act entitled "An act to provide for the formation of joint school districts, and to prescribe the minimum number of school children required for the formation of new school districts, and declaring an emergency," approved March 13, 1895; also repealing an act entitled "An act to authorize counties, cities, towns and school districts to provide temporary funds for current expenses, in anticipation of revenue," approved March 20, 1895, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Education.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER, OLYMPIA, WASH., February 16, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

The president of the Senate has signed House bill No. 38, entitled "An act to prevent vivisection and regulate dissection in the schools of the State of Washington," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER, OLYMPIA, WASH., February 16, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed Senate concurrent resolution No. 18, relative to appointment of committee to investigate status of state debt, and the same is herewith transmitted. R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.
SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 16, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 19, entitled "An act to protect manufacturers, bottlers and dealers in ale, porters, lager beer, soda, mineral water and other beverages from the loss of their casks, kegs, bottles and boxes," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Rader moved, that the record of yesterday be read on House concurrent resolution No. 15.

Moved, that the Committee on State Buildings, Public Grounds and Libraries, to whom was referred House concurrent resolution No. 19, be instructed to report on said resolution at once.

The hour of 2:30 o'clock p. m. having arrived, the House went into committee of the whole House, for the consideration of House bill No. 255, by Mr. Cline, an act entitled "An act repealing all acts or portions of acts authorizing the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors, and providing for the further regulation, restraint, or prohibition of the manufacture and traffic in intoxicating liquors under a system of state control thereof, and prescribing penalties for violations of the same."

The speaker called Mr. Ross to the chair.

The committee arose at 4:45 o'clock p. m.

The speaker resumed the chair.

The following report was submitted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 16, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee of the Whole House, to whom was referred House bill No. 255, entitled "An act repealing all acts or portions of acts authorizing the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors, and providing for the further regulation, restraint or prohibition of the manufacture and traffic in intoxicating liquors under a system of state control thereof, and prescribing penalties for violations of the same," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that the bill be passed.

Respectfully submitted.

JAS. HUGH ROSS, Chairman.

On motion, the report was adopted.

On motion of Mr. C. P. Bush, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.
Moved by Mr. Winsor, that the vote by which the bill was passed to third reading and final passage be reconsidered.

Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, that the vote to reconsider be laid on the table.

The motion was carried.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 46, noes 31, absent or not voting 1.


Absent or not voting: Mr. Clapp.

There being no objection the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, to reconsider the vote on House bill No. 255.

Moved by Mr. Ross, to lay the motion on the table.

The motion was carried.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE OUT OF ITS ORDER.

Concurrent resolution No. 19 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

On motion, the House adjourned at 5 o'clock p. m.

CHAS. E. CLINE, Speaker.

S. P. CARUSI, Chief Clerk.
THIRTY-EIGHTH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, Wednesday, February 17, 1897.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House convened at 10 o'clock A. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Rev. J. B. McCallum, of the Christian Church.

Roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names, except Mr. S. W. Baker.

The journal of the preceding day was read and approved.

The ruling of the chair on the reading of House bill No. 255 in committee of the whole, was that the House "could not take notice of what happened in committee of the whole House unless embodied in their report."

Moved by Mr. Warner, that the House reconsider the vote whereby the vote to reconsider the vote on House bill No. 255 was lost.

On vote, the motion to reconsider was lost: Ayes 36, noes 38, absent or not voting 4.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker S. W., Jory, Mitchell, and Smith P. M.—4.

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Mr. Roberts arose to a question of privilege, and was given the privilege to change his vote on House bill No. 255.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 32, entitled "An act requiring street railways and street car companies, or corporations owning or operating street railways or street car lines, to employ experienced and competent men to operate and assist in operating cars and dummies on such car lines, and providing a penalty for the violation of this act," has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. D. R. Lusher, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

Moved by Mr. Williams, to take from the table the report of standing committee on investigation.

The motion was lost.

The hour of 10:30 o'clock A.M. having arrived, the House took under consideration House bill No. 352, by Mr. Hansen: An act to regulate and license the catching of fish, and repealing chapter 9 of the Session Laws of 1893 of the State of Washington, and abolishing fish traps, pound nets, weirs, fish wheels or other fixed appliances for catching fish in the waters controlled by the State of Washington.

The House went into committee of the whole to consider the bill.

The speaker called Mr. Kittinger to the chair.

The committee arose at 10:45 o'clock A.M.

The speaker resumed the chair.

The following report was submitted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 17, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your committee of the whole House, to whom was referred House bill No. 352, entitled "An act to regulate and license the catching of fish, and repealing chapter 9 of the Session Laws of 1893 of the State of Washington, and abolishing fish traps, pound nets, weirs, fish wheels, or other fixed appliances for catching fish in the waters controlled by the State of Washington," have had the same under consideration, and we respect-
fully report the same back to the House of Representatives, asking for
further instruction.
Respectfully submitted.  GEO. B. KITTINGER, Chairman.

Moved by Mr. Warner, that the committee of the whole House
be instructed to discuss the minority report on said bill, and then
the majority report on said bill, when the House go into commit­
tee of the whole House.
The motion was carried.

Moved by Mr. Warner, that when the House go into committee
of the whole, the debate shall be but one hour, in discussion on
said House bill No. 352.
Moved by Mr. Day, that two hours be substituted for one hour.
The motion was lost.
On vote, the motion to limit the debate to one hour was lost.
Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, that the House reconsider the vote
whereby the House went into committee of the whole House.
The motion was carried.
The House took under consideration House bill No. 352, and the
minority report on House bill No. 419.
Moved by Mr. Williams, that House bill No. 419, be indefinitely
postponed.
The motion was ruled out of order.
Moved by Mr. Williams, to indefinitely postpone the minority
report on House bill No. 352.
On motion, the House adjourned at 12 o'clock m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House convened at 2 o'clock P. m.; Speaker Cline in the
chair.
A quorum being present, the House resumed the consideration
of House bill No. 352.
Mr. Powell took the chair at 3:20 o'clock P. m.
The speaker resumed the chair at 3:45 o'clock P. m.
The previous question was ordered.
MINORITY REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES AND GAME.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., FEBRUARY 8, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
We, a minority of your Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House bill No. 352, entitled "An act to regulate and license the catching of fish, and repealing chapter 9 of the Session Laws of 1893 of the State of Washington, and abolishing fish traps, pound nets, weirs, fish wheels or other appliances for catching fish in the waters controlled by the State of Washington," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed, and recommend as a substitute therefore the bill attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted.
A. F. TOBIASSEN.
W. H. THACKER.
A. S. BUSH.
C. J. MOORE.
W. L. FREEMAN.
J. O. COUCH.

On vote, the motion to indefinitely postpone the minority report was carried: Ayes 58, noes 17, absent or not voting 3.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker S. W., Lusher, and Stafford—3.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

STATE OF WASHINGTON, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
OLYMPIA, FEBRUARY 16, 1897.

The Honorable, the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, House Chamber, Olympia, Washington:

Gentlemen—In my message to the legislature, January 13, 1897, I called the attention of your honorable body to the urgent importance of
a thorough investigation into the condition of affairs at the state penitentiary. Since that time additional facts have come into my possession which convince me more strongly than ever that this investigation should be prosecuted in a manner that will reveal the full truth as to the methods that have prevailed there. The volume of evidence which I have collected convinces me that such an investigation cannot be completed within a few days. Therefore, considering the brief time yet remaining for the legislative session, and the great amount of important legislation yet to be enacted and demanding the presence of every member, I am of the opinion that an investigation of the penitentiary should not now interfere with legislative duties, but should be postponed until after the close of the session. The investigation should be by a legislative committee, or in such manner as the legislature may direct, such committee to be clothed with full power to summon witnesses, and have ample time to do its work thoroughly.

Very respectfully,

JOHN R. ROGERS, Governor.

Moved, that the communication of the governor be made a special order for to-morrow at 10:30 o'clock A. M.

Moved, that House bills Nos. 434 and 2 be withdrawn from the Committee on Judiciary and that they be referred to the Committee on State Buildings, Public Grounds and Libraries, and that the vote by which they were made a special order for 2:30 o'clock P. M. be canceled.

The motion was carried.

Moved by Mr. ——, that we do now adjourn.

The motion was lost.

Moved by Mr. Witt, that House bills Nos. 294 and 417 be made a special order for Friday, February 19, at 10:30 o'clock A. M.

The motion was carried.

House bill No. 352 was read the second time.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES AND GAME.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 8, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, a majority of your Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House bill No. 352, entitled "An act to regulate and license the catching of fish, and repealing chapter 9 of the Session Laws of 1893, of the State of Washington, and abolishing fish traps, pound nets, weirs, fish wheels and other fixed appliances for catching fish in the waters controlled by the State of Washington," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass with the following amendment: At the end of line 5, section 1, insert the words,
"And provided further, That such nets, gill nets, drift nets or seines shall not at any time be used in any of the stocked lakes of said state.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

HANS HANSEN, Chairman.
J. Z. NELSON.
E. L. KOEHLER.
J. M. EDWARDS.
J. G. FRITZ.
B. F. DAY.
J. C. CONINE.
CHARLES H. WOLF.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Amendments by Mr. Warner: In lines 2 and 3, section 1, strike out the words "public waters" and insert the words "four miles of any fresh waters, or into any of the bays of this state into which any of the streams of the State of Washington empty and."

Amend line 3, section 1, by inserting after the word "jurisdiction" the following: "And for the purposes of this act, Deception Pass shall be deemed the mouth of the Skagit river."

The amendments were lost.

Amendment by Mr. G. H. Baker: After line 5, section 1, insert the words, "Provided further, That the provisions of this bill shall not apply to the Columbia river."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Hansen: In section 1, line 2, after the word "wheel," insert the words "purse nets."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Marshall: Amend section 1 by inserting the words "gill net" in line 2, between the words "net" and "trap," and insert the words "or moveable" between the words "fixed" and "appliance," in line 2 of same section.

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. C. P. Bush: In line 4, section 1, after the word "seines," insert the words "and wheels constructed with their leads above low water mark."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Lindstrom: Strike out the following words, in lines 1 and 2, of section 5, "from 12 o'clock M. to 6 o'clock P. M. Sunday."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Hodgdon: "And provided further, That no fishing of any kind be allowed in any stream of this state, except by hook and line, for the next two years."

The amendment was lost.
Amendment by Mr. Hansen: "Sec. 15. All salmon caught for the purpose of being frozen, canned, salted, cured or smoked, shall be so frozen, canned, salted, cured or smoked in the United States, and the violation of any of the provisions of this section shall work an immediate forfeiture of all licenses, under which any salmon are caught, contrary to the provisions hereof, and the fish commissioner is hereby directed to forthwith cancel any such licenses so wrongfully used."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Hicks: In line 5, section 9, strike out the word "three" and insert the word "five."

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Day: In section 3, line —, strike out the figure "4" and insert the figure "5."

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

In section 12, strike out the word "January" and insert the word "April."

On motion of Mr. Williams, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 50, noes 23, absent or not voting 5.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker S. W., Couch, Lusher, Richmond, and Stafford — 5.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

On motion, the House adjourned at 5:05 o'clock P. M.

S. P. Carusi, Chief Clerk.

Chas. E. Cline, Speaker.
THIRTY-NINTH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Washington, Thursday, February 18, 1897.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House convened at 10 o'clock A. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Rev. A. G. Sawin, of the Baptist Church.

Roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names.

Moved by Mr. Couch, to suspend the reading of the journal.

On vote, the motion was lost.

The journal of the preceding session was read and approved.

A petition from citizens of Waterville, Wash., was presented by Mr. Speaker, relating to state dairy commissioner.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

A petition was presented by Mr. Canutt, from sixty citizens of Colfax, relating to liability of bankers.

Referred to Committee on Banks and Banking.

A petition was presented by Mr. Williams, from the Seattle common council, relating to House bills Nos. 257 and 262, in regard to platting of tide lands.

Referred to Committee on Tide Lands.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 353, entitled "An act to regulate and license the catching of fish, and repealing chapter 9 of the Session Laws of 1893 of the State of Washington, and abolishing fish traps, pound nets, weirs, fish wheels or other fixed appliances for catching fish in the waters controlled by the State of Washington," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted.

H. D. Jory, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND LABOR STATISTICS.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics, to whom was referred House bill No. 408, entitled "An act to provide for the inspection
of petroleum oils, and to create the office of state supervisor; to prevent
the adulteration of illuminating oils; for the better security of life and
property." Also, House bill No. 431, "To provide for the better security
of life and property from the dangers of coal and petroleum oils," have
had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same
back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that they
be referred to the Committee on Commerce and Manufactures.

Respectfully submitted.

PAUL LAND, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

J. O. EDWARDS.

A. T. TOBIASSEN.

CLEVELAND SMITH.

D. R. LUSHER.

F. I. PHELPS.

J. A. GILKEY.

On motion, the request was granted, and the bills so referred.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

House bill No. 100 was reported back from the committee with
the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed, and the bill
attached be substituted, and that same do pass.

House bill No. 388 was reported back from the committee with
the recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 331 was reported back from the committee with
the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 404 was reported back from the committee with
the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 281 was reported back from the committee with
the recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 241 was reported back from the committee with
the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 205 was reported back from the committee with
the recommendation that it do pass as amended; minority report,
that the bill do pass.

House bill No. 367 was reported back from the committee with
the recommendation that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 334 was reported back from the committee with
the recommendation that it pass as amended.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Olympia, Wash., February 16, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom was referred
House bill No. 366, entitled "An act to prevent and preserve from pollu-
tion the water supplied to the inhabitants of cities and towns in the State of Washington; to declare what are nuisances in the vicinity of the source of such water supply, providing for the abatement thereof, and for the punishment of the violation of this act." have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.  
J. P. de Mattos, Chairman.

We concur in this report:
J. L. Likins.
C. A. Mentzer.
Theos. Winsor.
E. W. Way.
C. S. Barlow.
W. B. Roberts.
A. D. Warner.
J. G. Fritz.
D. Levin.

On motion, the bill was re-referred to the same committee.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

House bill No. 3 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 34 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 55 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 59 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 79 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 113 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 140 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 291 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 318 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 366 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 183 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Senate concurrent resolution No. 17 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass.
House bill No. 221 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 224 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 384 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 383 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass; minority report that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 227 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed, and substitute bill attached pass.

House bill No. 182 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 428 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 333 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 436 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 335 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 432 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 311 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 398 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 362 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 231 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended; minority report that bill be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 226 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 324 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed, and that substitute bill do pass.

House bills No. 127 and No. 363 were reported back from the committee with recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed,
and that substitute printed bill do pass; minority report, that substitute do not pass.

House bill No. 35 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 438 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 18, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House bill No. 284, entitled "An act for the erection or establishment of a state orphan's home, and to provide for the same," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, and ask that we be given further time; and further, that all persons or communities having propositions to offer for the location of such a home, submit the same in writing to the chairman of this committee, as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted.

GEO. M. WITT, Chairman.

On motion, the request was granted.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

STATE OF WASHINGTON, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.
OLYMPIA, February 17, 1897.

To the Honorable Speaker of the House of Representatives, State of Washington:

DEAR SIR—Governor Rogers has approved House bill No. 184, amending sections 2 and 3 of an act regulating the manufacture of dairy products, to prevent deception or fraud in the sale of the same; also House bill No. 38, to prevent vivisection, and to regulate dissection in the schools of the State of Washington, except in dental and medical colleges.

Very respectfully,

J. E. BALLAINE, Private Secretary.

By general consent, the Judiciary Committee was given more time on House bill No. 194.

The chair announced as a committee on public offices, Messrs. Freeman, Marshall and Mitchell.

A resolution by Mr. Gilkey, in regard to the passage of House memorial No. 12, relating to public lands, was read, and action deferred thereon until a memorial on the same subject shall come up for action.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees:
House memorial No. 13, relating to appropriation for Clearwater river, addressed to congress.
Referred to Committee on Memorials.

Senate bill No. 77, by Senator Megler: An act relating to the incorporation and regulation of cemetery associations.
Referred to Committee on Public Morals.

Senate memorial No. 2, by Senator T. J. Miller: Relative to roads.
Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Concurrent resolution No. 18, by Senator Crow: Relative to the investigation of the finances of the State of Washington.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Senate bill No. 19, by Senator Plummer: An act to protect manufacturers, bottlers and dealers in ale, porters, lager beer, soda, mineral water, and other beverages, from the loss of their casks, barrels, kegs, bottles and boxes.
Referred to Committee on Public Morals.

Senate bill No. 56, by Senator T. J. Miller: An act relating to trade marks.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Senate bill No. 66, by Senator High: An act for the relief of O. M. Hidden.
Referred to Committee on Claims and Auditing.

Senate bill No. 104, by Senator Yeend: An act to amend section 14 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the establishment and location of a state reform school, and to declare an emergency," approved March 28, 1890.
Referred to Committee on Reform School and Defective Youth.

Senate bill No. 106, by Senator Cole: An act to provide for the purchase of stationery, desk supplies, and furnishings required by the state legislature.
Referred to Committee on State Buildings, Public Grounds and Libraries.

Senate bill No. 114, by Senator Houghton: An act to amend section 37 of chapter 127 of the Laws of 1893 of the State of Washington, entitled "An act to provide for the manner of commencing civil actions in the superior courts, and bringing the same to trial," approved March 15, 1893.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Senate bill No. 153, by Judiciary Committee: An act to amend
section 2776 of the Code of 1881, relating to the duties of the coroner when the sheriff is incapacitated.

Referred to Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.

House bill No. 474, by Mr. Forbes: An act to amend section 200, volume 1, Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, relating to index to be kept by county auditors.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 475, by Mr. Guie: An act to provide for the appointment of commissioners for the promotion of uniformity of legislation in the United States.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 476, by Mr. Stuhrman: An act to aid the Washington State Historical Society.

Referred to Committee on State Buildings, Public Grounds and Libraries.

House bill No. 477, by Mr. J. M. Edwards: An act repealing an act entitled "An act creating a board of pilot commissioners and pilots on the Columbia river and bar," approved November 29, 1871; also repealing an act entitled "An act to amend an act creating a board of pilot commissioners and pilots on the Columbia river and bar, approved November 29, 1871," approved November 9, 1877; also repealing an act entitled "An act to amend sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 14, of an act entitled 'An act creating a board of pilot commissioners and pilots on the Columbia river and bar,' approved November 29, 1871, and to amend sections 1 and 2 of an act entitled 'An act to amend an act creating a board of pilot commissioners and pilots on the Columbia river and bar, approved November 29, 1871,' approved November 9, 1877," approved February 2, 1888.

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Manufactures.

House bill No. 478, by Mr. Nelson: An act to provide for the foreclosure of mortgages by advertisement, and for the redemption thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 479, by Messrs. Cline, Gilkey and Freeman: An act in relation to the title to land, and providing for greater facility in ascertaining the same.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 480, by Mr. Tobiassen: An act authorizing county
commissioners to pay a bounty for the killing of wildcats, cougars and bears, within their respective counties.

Referred to the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

House bill No. 481, by Mr. Stafford: An act to provide for the establishment, construction and maintenance of a state wagon road from the north end of Cle-Elum lake, in Kittitas county, via Fish lake, in said county, to the town of Leavenworth, in Okanogan county.

Referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

House bill No. 482, by Mr. Geraghty: An act to amend sections 2936 and 2938 of volume 1 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington, relating to county printing, providing for penalty for violation of this act, and declaring an emergency, and a repeal of inconsistent laws, and especially section 96 of the Revenue Laws of 1893, and section 23 of the Revenue Laws of 1895, and "An act relating to legal publication," approved March 3, 1893, as the same appears at page 62 of the 1893 Laws of the State of Washington.

Referred to the Committee on Printing and Supplies.

House bill No. 483, by Mr. Rader: An act to amend section 447 of volume 1 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, relating to the registration of voters.

Referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

House bill No. 484, by Mr. Wolf: An act relating to the recording of assignments of mortgages, and satisfaction and cancellation of such mortgages.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 485, by Mr. Carr: An act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a state road along the bank of the Columbia river, from the town of Wenatchee, in Kittitas county, thence northerly on the west bank of said Columbia river, via the bridge of said Wenatchee river (the same formerly being a ferry), to the mouth of the Methow river, thence along the west bank of the Methow river to the mouth of the Twisp river in the county of Okanogan.

Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

House bill No. 486, by Mr. Wolf: An act to amend section 512 of volume 2 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington, relating to the redemption of real estate from sheriff sales.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.
House bill No. 487, by Mr. Merrifield: An act providing for the appraisement of lands sold under execution and order of sale.
Referred to Committee on State, School and Granted Lands.

House bill No. 488, by Mr. Day: An act to provide for the appointment and to prescribe the duties of public examiner for the State of Washington.
Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections.

House bill No. 489, by Mr. Kincaid: An act to amend an act entitled "An act providing for levying and collecting taxes in road districts, for road purposes, and limiting the use of the same, providing that persons owning property in this state, outside of incorporated towns and cities, shall be entitled to pay in labor road taxes levied thereon, and amending sections 2, 5, 7, 9 and 10, and repealing sections 11 and 13 of an act relating to the construction, repair, and improvement of public roads, providing revenue for such purposes, defining the powers and duties of certain officers in relation thereto, and fixing their compensation, and to repeal an act entitled 'An act to provide for keeping highways in repair and for the levy and collection of road poll and road property taxes, and declaring an emergency, approved March 7, 1890,' and declaring an emergency (approved March 9, 1893)," approved March 21, 1895.
Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

House bill No. 490, by Mr. Kincaid: An act to enable settlers to construct any portion of a county road and to be reimbursed therefor.
Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

House bill No. 491, by Mr. Kincaid: An act to enable counties to decide by vote at regular elections whether or not the road property tax shall be collected in money, and expended under contract plan.
Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

House bill No. 492, by Mr. Kincaid: An act to amend an act entitled "An act to amend section 154 of an act entitled 'An act providing for the organization, classification, incorporation and government of municipal corporations, and declaring an emergency,' approved March 27, 1890, the same being section 673 of volume 1 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, and declaring an emergency;" approved March 7, 1895, and declaring an emergency.
Referred to Committee on Municipal Corporations.
House bill No. 493, by Mr. Kincaid: An act to amend an act entitled "An act to amend section 154 of an act entitled 'An act providing for the organization, classification, incorporation and government of municipal corporations, and declaring an emergency,' approved March 27, 1890, the same being section 673 of volume 1 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, and declaring an emergency," approved March 7, 1895.

Referred to Committee on Municipal Corporations.

House bill No. 494, by Mr. Hansen (by request): An act making the use of typesetting machines illegal on the public printing of the State of Washington, and defining the words "style of type" and "general typography" in section 1 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the publication and sale of the Washington supreme court reports, and to provide for the sale of the stereotyped plates of volumes 1 to 9 inclusive, of Washington Supreme Court reports, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics.

House bill 495, by Mr. Conine: An act providing for the appointment of an examiner of state banks, and other corporations and public depositories, defining his duties, fixing his compensation, and affixing penalties for the violation of the provisions of the act.

Referred to Committee on Banks and Banking.

House bill No. 496, by Mr. Moore: An act relating to employment of convicts upon state roads.

Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

House bill No. 497, by Mr. Moore: An act relating to public cemeteries.

Referred to Committed on State Buildings, Public Grounds and Libraries.

House bill No. 498, by Mr. Williams: An act relating to the duties of county treasurers. "An act to permit the county treasurer to separate descriptions of real property into parts on the annual assessment rolls and on the tax judgment sale, redemption and forfeiture records, and to receive, accept and receipt for partial tax payments and to segregate such partial tax payments to the various funds in his hands, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.

House bill No. 499, by Mr. Pierson: An act in relation to the
support of the poor and indigent, and establishing the liabilities of counties in reference thereto, and providing for the enforcement thereof.

   Referred to Committee on Public Morals.

   House bill No. 500, by Mr. Jory: An act for the maintenance and support of the Washington State Fair, and making an appropriation therefor.

   Referred to Committee on State Buildings, Public Grounds and Libraries.

   House bill No. 501, by Mr. Conine: An act providing for the establishment and construction of ditches for drainage purposes.

   Referred to Committee on Dykes and Drainage.

   House bill No. 502, by Mr. Way: An act creating a special state road commission, providing for the appointment of an engineer therefor, and providing for the expenses of such commission and the compensation of such engineer.

   Referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

   The hour of 10:30 o'clock A. M. having arrived, the House took under consideration House joint resolution No. 13, by Mr. Richmond: Relating to standing investigation committee; and, also, the governor's message in relation to investigation of the penitentiary at Walla Walla.

   The House went into committee of the whole House to consider the above.

   Mr. Williams was called to the chair.

   The committee arose at 11:45 o'clock A. M.

   The speaker resumed the chair.

   The following report was made:

   REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE.

   HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
   OLYMPIA, WASH., February 18, 1897.

   MR. SPEAKER:

   We, your committee of the whole House, to whom was referred House joint resolution No. 13, relating to standing investigation committee, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it strike out the words "initiate and," where they occur before the words "proposed legislation."

   Respectfully submitted. SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

   On motion the report was adopted, and the said resolution was referred back to the committee with instructions to amend the
same and report the same back to the House by 2:30 o'clock p. m. to-morrow.

Senate concurrent resolution No. 19, relating to committee being appointed to visit fishing waters, was read the first time.

On motion of Mr. Williams, the resolution was laid on the table.

SENATE BUSINESS.

On motion, House bill No. 17 was returned to the Senate for better instructions as to the amendments made therein by the Senate.

Senate bill No. 131 was read the second time.

On motion of Mr. Roberts, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed and placed on its final passage.

On vote of the House, the bill was passed: Ayes 68, noes 1, absent or not voting 9.


Noes: Mr. Powell.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMPENSATION AND FEES OF STATE AND COUNTY OFFICERS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, OLYMPIA, WASH., FEBRUARY 15, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 131, entitled "An act for the relief of the members of the electoral college," have had the same un-
der consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the
House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.
Respectfully submitted.
C. A. MENTZER, Chairman.
We concur in this report:
A. MATHIOT.
C. S. BARLOW.
HANS HANSEN.
LEWIS LINDSTROM.
W. L. FREEMAN.

On motion, the report was adopted.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 18, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed Senate bill No. 146, entitled "An
act in relation to the discharge of ballast in navigable waters," and the
same is herewith transmitted.
R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 18, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed House bill No. 32, entitled "An
act requiring street railway companies to employ competent men, etc.,"
and the same is herewith returned.
R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

On motion, the House adjourned at 12 o'clock m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House convened at 2 o'clock p. m.; Speaker Cline in the chair.
A quorum being present, business was resumed.

THIRD READING OF SENATE BILLS.

Senate bill No. 6 was read the third time, and placed on its
final passage.
On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 63, noes 5, absent or not
voting 10.
Ayes: Messrs. Baker F. R., Barlow, Bush A. S., Bush C. P.,
Canutt, Carr, Caywood, Clapp, Conine, Couch, Day, de Mattos,
Edwards J. M., Edwards J. O., Freeman, Fritz, Forbes, Guie,

Noes: Messrs. Geraghty, Marshall, Roberts; Scott, and Wolf—5.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Senate bill No. 103 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 66, noes 7, absent or not voting 5.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Kittinger, Lusher, Powell, Struve, and Wilkeson—5.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

The speaker announced that he had signed Senate bill No. 146 in open session.

Senate bill No. 21 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On motion of Mr. Williams, the bill was re-referred to the Judiciary Committee.
Senate bill No. 16 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 74, noes 0, absent or not voting 4.


Noes: None.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Senate bill No. 13 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 75, noes 0, absent or not voting 3.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Lusher, Marshall, and Powell — 3.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.
MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 18, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has amended House bill No. 97, entitled "An act to prevent the introduction or spread of diseases among sheep."
Section 6, insert after the word "county," the words "from localities in any other state or territory."
Strike out section 18, and insert the words: "An emergency exists, and this act shall take effect immediately."
And the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 18, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has amended House bill No. 114, entitled "An act allowing married women to act as administratrix or executrix of estates," etc., as follows: Strike out section 2. Section 3 becomes section 2: SEC. 2. An emergency exists, and this act shall take effect immediately. And the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 18, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed House bill No. 13, entitled "An act to amend section 23 of an act entitled 'An act in relation to garnishments, approved March 8, 1893.'" and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 18, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has indefinitely postponed House bill No. 129, entitled "An act to authorize punitive or exemplary damages for injury to person or property in certain cases," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 18, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has indefinitely postponed House bill No. 146, entitled "An act fixing the per diem and mileage of witnesses in civil actions," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 18, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 93, entitled "An act granting a bounty for the encouragement of the production and manufacture of sugar in the State of Washington," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.
Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 49, entitled "An act to amend section 1662 of the second volume of Hill's Annotated Code of Washington, in regard to the discovery of facts and documents by interrogatories," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 181, entitled "An act authorizing the bringing of suits for the distribution of funds of insolvent insurance companies, in the hands of the treasurer of the state," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 182, entitled "An act relating to bonds in actions and proceedings," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 97, entitled "An act relating to claims against the estates of infants, insane and incompetent persons," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 108, entitled "An act to prevent the unauthorized interference with electric meters, wires and cables used for measuring and conducting electric currents," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

SPECIAL ORDERS.
The hour of 2:30 o'clock p. m. having arrived, the House took under consideration the following bills:

House bill No. 340: An act accepting the terms of the act of congress, approved August 18, 1894, and the act amendatory thereof providing for the reclamation, settlement and disposition of the one million acres of arid land granted therein, making appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.

House bill No. 75: An act amending an act entitled "An act ac-
cepting the terms of the act of congress approved August 18, 1894, providing for the reclamation, settlement and disposition of the one million acres of arid land granted therein, making appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency," providing for an irrigation commissioner, and declaring an emergency.

House bill No. 108: An act to provide ways and means to irrigate the arid lands of this state by the issue of non-interest bearing warrants and interest bearing bonds, and providing for the appropriation and expenditure of one million five hundred thousand dollars for the purposes of irrigation, and providing for the sale of one half of the land so irrigated.

The House went into committee of the whole House for the consideration of the said bills.

The speaker called Mr. Ross to the chair.

The committee arose at 5:15 o'clock P. M.

The speaker resumed the chair.

The following report was submitted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 18, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your committee of the whole House, to whom was referred House bill No. 340, entitled "An act accepting the terms of the act of congress, approved August 18, 1894, and the act amendatory thereof providing for the reclamation, settlement and disposition of the one million acres of arid land granted therein, making appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency;"

Also, House bill No. 75, entitled "An act amending an act entitled 'An act accepting the terms of the act of congress approved, August 18, 1894, providing for the reclamation, settlement and disposition of the one million acres of arid land granted therein, making appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency,' providing for an irrigation commissioner, and declaring an emergency;"

Also, House bill No. 108, entitled "An act to provide ways and means to irrigate the arid lands of this state by the issue of non-interest bearing warrants and interest bearing bonds, and providing for the appropriation and expenditure of one million five hundred thousand dollars for the purposes of irrigation, and providing for the sale of one-half of the land so irrigated," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that when the committee arose it had under discussion the indefinite postponement of all of the said bill; therefore, the committee asks leave to sit again.

Respectfully submitted.

JAS. HUGH ROSS, Chairman.
On motion, the report of the committee was adopted.

The following House resolution was introduced by Mr. Marshall:

WHEREAS, The many letters received by the members of this House and the messages sent to different portions of the state has necessitated the use of a large number of postage stamps, and as the supply of stamps furnished is about exhausted and it being apparent that as many more will be needed by members: therefore, be it

Resolved, That the sergeant-at-arms be authorized to purchase for the use of the members of this House two dollars and fifty cents' worth of stamps to each.

The resolution was carried.

On motion, the House adjourned at 5:20 o'clock P. M.

S. P. Carusi, Chief Clerk.

FORTIETH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Washington, Friday, February 19, 1897.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House convened at 10 o'clock A. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Geo. A. Bailey, of the African M. E. Church.

Roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names except Mr. Lusher, excused.

The journal of the preceding day was read and approved.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 13, entitled "An act to amend section 23 of an act entitled 'An act in relation to garnishments,' approved March 8, 1893," has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted.

L. E. Rader, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.
MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

STATE OF WASHINGTON, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
OLYMPIA, February 18, 1897.

Speaker of the House of Representatives, House Chamber, Olympia, Wash.:

SIR—Governor Rogers has this day approved House bill No. 32, requiring street railway companies to employ none but experienced and competent men in the operating of street cars and dummies.

Very respectfully,

J. E. BELAINE, Private Secretary.

INTRODUCTION OF PETITIONS.

Petitions by Mr. Rader from 32 citizens of Kingston, relating to taxation exemption, was read and referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

House memorial No. 14, by Mr. Hagadorn: Relating to abolition of La Push Indian reservation, and petitioning congress.

Referred to Committee on Memorials.

Moved by Mr. Windust, that the vote on Mr. Marshall's resolution, relating to postage stamps, be reconsidered.

The hour of special order having arrived, the motion to reconsider was laid over.

Moved by Mr. Ross that House bill No. 417 be substituted for House bill No. 294, and that it be considered in committee of the whole House.

On vote, the motion was carried.

The hour of 10:30 o'clock A. M. having arrived, the House took under consideration House bill No. 417: An act to establish and fix reasonable maximum rates of charges for the transportation of freight by railroad companies and other common carriers doing business in the State of Washington, and to correct abuses and to prevent and prohibit discrimination by railroad companies and other common carriers doing business in the State of Washington against persons, firms, companies, corporations and localities in the matter of said rates and facilities for shipment, and providing for the due enforcement and observance of the rates so fixed, and providing for penalties by fine or imprisonment, or both such fine and imprisonment, for a failure to observe the rates and regulations and prohibition so established and fixed as aforesaid, and providing a method for determining the reasonableness of said rates and regulations, and declaring an emergency.

The House went into committee of the whole House to consider the bill.
The speaker called Mr. Williams to the chair.
The committee arose at 11 o'clock A. M.
The speaker resumed the chair.
The following report was submitted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your committee of the whole House, to whom was referred House bill No. 417, substituted for House bill No. 294, entitled "An act to establish and fix reasonable maximum rates of charges for the transportation of freight by railroad companies and other common carriers doing business in the State of Washington, and to correct abuses and to prevent and prohibit discrimination by railroad companies and other common carriers doing business in the State of Washington against persons, firms, companies, corporations and localities in the matter of said rates and facilities for shipment, and providing for the due enforcement and observance of the rates so fixed, and providing for penalties by fine or imprisonment, or both such fine and imprisonment, for a failure to observe the rates and regulations and prohibition so established and fixed as aforesaid, and providing a method for determining the reasonableness of said rates and regulations, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted. Solon T. Williams, Chairman.

Moved by Mr. Ross, that the matter be recommitted to the committee of the whole House.

On vote, the motion to recommit was carried.

Mr. Nelson was excused for the day.

On motion, the House adjourned at 11:55 o'clock A. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House convened at 2 o'clock P. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

A quorum being present, business was resumed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

Mr. Speaker:
We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House joint resolution No. 13, have had the same under consideration, and we re-
spectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that the only way to compel the attendance and testimony of witnesses before such a committee is to enact a law making refusal to so attend and testify a misdemeanor.

Respectfully submitted.

Solon T. Williams, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

E. H. Gute.
J. M. Geraghty.
J. B. Johnston.
H. K. Struve.
W. B. Roberts.
A. D. Warner.
W. H. Thacker.
H. D. Smith.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the committee instructed to draw a bill to cover the case.

Moved by Mr. Richmond, to place the resolution on its final passage.

The motion was lost.

The special order, House bill No. 417, "An act to establish and fix reasonable maximum rates of charges for the transportation of freight by railroad companies and other common carriers doing business in the State of Washington, and to correct abuses and to prevent and prohibit discrimination by railroad companies and other common carriers doing business in the State of Washington, against persons, firms, companies, corporations and localities in the matter of such rates and facilities for shipment, and providing for the due enforcement and observance of the rates so fixed, and providing for penalties by fine or imprisonment, or both such fine and imprisonment, for a failure to observe the rates and regulations and prohibitions so established and fixed as aforesaid, and providing a method for determining the reasonableness of such rates and regulations, and declaring an emergency," was taken up for further consideration.

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House for the consideration of the bill.

The speaker called Mr. Williams to the chair.

The committee arose at 4:20 o'clock P. M.

The speaker resumed the chair.

The following report was submitted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your committee of the whole House, to whom was referred House bill No. 417, entitled "An act to establish and fix reasonable maximum
rates of charges for the transportation of freight by railroad companies and other common carriers doing business in the State of Washington, and to correct abuses and to prevent and prohibit discrimination by railroad companies and other common carriers doing business in the State of Washington against persons, firms, companies, corporations and localities in the matter of said rates and facilities for shipment, and providing for the due enforcement and observance of the rates so fixed, and providing for penalties by fine or imprisonment, or both such fine and imprisonment, for a failure to observe the rates and regulations and prohibition so established and fixed as aforesaid, and providing a method for determining the reasonableness of said rates and regulations, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representative with the recommendation that the following amendments be adopted: In line 3, section 24, change "24" to "22;" in line 2, section 23, change "24" to "22;" in line 14, section 23, change "24" to "22;" in line 6, section 22, strike out "Spokane" and insert "Thurston;" in line 2, section 3, insert after "brick" the words "drain tile and sewer pipe;" in line 9, section 24, strike out "twenty thousand" and insert "ten thousand;" in line 76, section 22, strike out "Spokane" and insert "Thurston;" in line 82, section 22, strike out "Spokane" and insert "Thurston;" in line 77, section 22, strike out "their" and insert "his;" in line 78, section 22, strike out "their" and insert "him;" and as so amended do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

On vote, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RAILROADS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 18, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred House bill No. 417 (substitute for House bill No. 294), entitled "An act to establish and fix reasonable maximum rates of charges for the transportation of freight by railroad companies and other common carriers doing business in the State of Washington, and to correct abuses and to prevent and prohibit discrimination by railroad companies and other common carriers doing business in the State of Washington against persons, firms, companies, corporations and localities in the matter of said rates and facilities for shipment, and providing for the due enforcement and observance of the rates so fixed, and providing for penalties by fine or imprisonment, or both such fine and imprisonment, for a failure to observe the rates and regulations and prohibition so established and fixed as aforesaid, and providing a method for determining the reasonableness of said rates and regulations, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows:

Insert the words "on the basis of the rate charged by the Northern
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Pacific Railway Company on the 2d day of January, 1897;" said words to be inserted between the figures "1897" and the word immediately following the same, in sections 4, 5, 6 and 7, in each place in said sections where said figures appear.

Strike out the words "or less," in line 4 of section 4.

Strike out the figures "75," where same appear in lines 5 and 6 of section 4, and in lines 5 and 6 of section 5, and in lines 5 and 6 of section 6, and in line 7 of section 7, and substitute therefor in each instance the figures "85." (See printed bill.)

Strike out the figures "75," where same appear in line 5 of section 4, and in line 5 of section 5, and in line 6 of section 6, and in line 7 of section 7, and substitute therefor in each instance the figures "85." (See printed bill.)

After the word "sections," in line 6 of section 9, in printed bill, insert the following: "Provided, That no railroad company or other common carrier, its agents or employes, doing business within this state, shall charge any person or persons, or any corporation or company or co-partnership for hauling or carrying any articles not enumerated in this act from one point within this state to another point within this state, a higher rate than was charged by said railroad company or common carrier on said articles on January 2, 1897."

In sections 4, 5, 6 and 7, change the date from "January 1, 1897," to read January 2, 1897," in each and every instance where the same appears in said sections.

In line 10 of section 16, strike out the words "and section 8 and section 11." (See printed bill.)

After the last word of section 20, insert the following sentence: "In any such action, the court shall charge, as a part of the costs of the case, if the plaintiff is successful, a reasonable attorney's fee."

In line 1 of section 26, of printed bill, strike out the figures "22," and substitute therefor the figures "12."

That the bill do pass, as herein amended.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN L. CANUTT, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

GEO. M. WITT.

J. H. MARSHALL.

J. P. de MATTOS.

A. T. TOBIASSEN.

THERON STAFFORD.

C. E. MOHUNDRO.

J. C. KINCAID.

J. B. SMITH.

MILES T. HOOPER.

Amendment by Mr. Witt: In last line of title, after the word "regulation," insert the words "making an appropriation."

The amendment was carried.

The speaker ordered the bill engrossed and passed to third reading.
Mr. Witt moved to make the bill a special order for to-morrow at 10:30 o'clock A.M.
Mr. F. R. Baker moved to amend to read "at 2:30 o'clock P.M."
The motion was lost.
The motion by Mr. Witt that the bill be made a special order for 10:30 o'clock A.M. was carried.
The resolution of Mr. Marshall, relating to postage stamps, was called up.
Mr. Roberts moved to lay the resolution on the table.
The motion was lost.
On vote, the motion to reconsider was carried.
Moved by Mr. Williams, to make the resolution special order for 2:30 o'clock P.M., on Tuesday.
The motion was lost.
On vote, the resolution was lost: Ayes 18, noes 56, absent or not voting 4.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WATER, WATER RIGHTS AND IRRIGATION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 19, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Water, Water Rights and Irrigation, to whom was referred House bill No. 199, entitled "An act to regulate the powers and compensation of the board of pilot commissioners for the Columbia river," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recom-
mendation that it be referred to Committee on Commerce and Manufac-
tures.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

ROBT. GERRY, Chairman.
HENRY CARR.
C. P. BUSH.
JOHN A. GILKEY.
J. L. CANUTT.
H. D. JORY.
J. B. JOHNSTON.
THERON STAFFORD.

On motion, the request was granted.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

House bill No. 230 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.

House Bill No. 321 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 257 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 262 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 330 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 162 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 308 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 358 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.

Moved by Mr. Roberts to make House bill No. 358 a special order for Tuesday at 10:30 o'clock A. M.

Amendment by Mr. Kittinger to make House bill No. 358 a special order for Saturday at 2:30 o'clock P. M.

On motion, the amendment was lost.

The amendment to read "Tuesday, at 2:30 o'clock P. M.," was taken up.

On vote, the amendment was carried.

On vote, the motion as amended was carried.

House bill No. 356 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 202 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that substitute pass as amended.
Senate bill No. 153 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 371 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

Moved by Mr. Hooper, that House bill No. 420 be made a special order for 2:30 o'clock p. m. tomorrow.

On vote, the motion was carried.

House bill No. 369 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 252 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 414 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 413 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 412 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 411 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced, read first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees:

House bill No. 503, by Mr. Way: An act in relation to assessments for local improvements, providing for the enforcement thereof and the refunding of warrants issued therefor, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Special Committee on Cities of the First Class.

House bill No. 504, by Mr. Moore: An act to amend sections 2766, 2708 and 2239, of Hill's Code of 1881, and section 2, chapter 53, of the Session Laws of 1895, and section 4 of chapter 5 of the Session Laws of 1886, relating to official bonds of county officers.

Referred to Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.

House bill No. 505, by Mr. Hodgdon: An act in relation to the leasing, transferring and sale of personal property.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 506, by Mr. Gilkey: An act to amend section 9, of chapter 50 of the Session Laws of 1895, being an act providing
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for viewing, laying out, surveying and establishing county roads, approved March 1, 1895.

Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

House bill No. 507, by Mr. Gilkey: An act to amend section 3 of chapter 77 of the Session Laws of 1895, being an act relating to county surveyors, defining their powers, and regulating their duties.

Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

House bill No. 508, by Mr. Phelps: An act to repeal sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of chapter 166 of the Session Laws of 1895, being an act entitled "An act accepting of the grant of arid land and authorizing the disposal thereof."

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 509, by Mr. Irvin: An act regulating mutual insurance companies.

Referred to Committee on Insurance.

House bill No. 510, by Mr. Pierson: An act fixing and regulating tolls and charges for telegraphic services in this state.

Referred to Committee on Corporations other than Municipal.

House bill No. 511, by Mr. Pierson: An act fixing and regulating tolls and charges for telephone services in this state.

Referred to Committee on Corporations other than Municipal.

House bill No. 512, by Mr. Pierson: An act prohibiting any person who is an officer, clerk, stockholder, cashier, employe, attorney, debtor or creditor, or who has any interest, directly or indirectly, in the property or assets of any corporation from being appointed receiver for such corporation, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Banks and Banking.

House bill No. 513, by Mr. Powell: An act in relation to husbands and fathers who shall abandon their wives and children, or wives or children, without good cause; giving the court power to punish for contempt, providing that wives may maintain a separate action for support, without applying for a divorce, and providing for penalties.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 514, by Mr. Williams: An act to amend chapter 83 of the Laws of 1895, approved March 19, 1895, relating to the appointment powers and duties of superior court commissioners.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.
House bill No. 515, by Mr. Fritz: An act regulating the sale of baking powders containing carbonate of ammonium, and fixing penalty for violation thereof.

Referred to Committee on Harbors and Water Ways.

House bill No. 516, by Mr. Fritz: An act to punish the duress and intimidation of voters, and defining the same.

Referred to Committee on Harbors and Water Ways.

House bill No. 517, by Mr. Fritz: An act regulating charges of telegraph companies, and providing penalties for its violation.

Referred to Committee on Harbors and Water Ways.


Referred to Committee on Tide Lands.

Senate bill No. 106 was recalled from the Committee on State Buildings, Public Grounds and Libraries, and referred to the Committee on Printing and Supplies.

SECOND READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 447, substitute for House bill No. 65, was read the second time, and passed to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES AND GAME.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

OLYMPIA, WASH, February 15, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House bill No. 227, entitled "An act to amend section 9 of an act entitled 'An act to protect salmon and other food fishes in the State of Washington and upon all waters which this state has jurisdiction and concurrent jurisdiction,' and approved February 11, 1890," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

HANS HANSEN, Chairman.

J. P. De Mattos.

B. F. Day.

J. M. Edwards.

C. J. Moore.

A. T. Tobiasen.

W. L. Freeman.

J. B. Nelson.

J. O. Couch.

J. C. Conine.

The bill was passed to third reading.
Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Counties and County Boundaries, to whom was referred House bill No. 290, entitled "An act relating to the duties of boards of county commissioners, and the organization thereof, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

A. S. Bush, Chairman.
C. A. Mentzer.
John Hargrave.
F. I. Phelps.
J. D. Hagadorn.
A. Mathiot.

Moved by Mr. J. M. Edwards, that the second reading be considered the third reading, and the bill placed on its final passage.
The motion was lost.
The bill passed to third reading.

Report of Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers, to whom was referred House bill No. 237, entitled "An act to amend section 3006 of chapter 2 of title 71 of volume 1 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington, relating to the payment of salaries," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

C. A. Mentzer, Chairman.
Hans Hansen.
Lewis Lindstrom.
A. Mathiot.
C. S. Barlow.
Phil. M. Smith.
W. L. Freeman.

Moved by Mr. Guie, that the bill be indefinitely postponed.
The previous question was ordered.
On vote, the motion to indefinitely postpone was carried.
Moved by Mr. J. M. Edwards, to adjourn.
The motion was lost.
Moved by Mr. Geraghty, to reconsider the vote whereby House bill No. 237 was indefinitely postponed.
Moved by Mr. Johnston, to lay the motion on the table.
The motion was lost.
On vote, the motion to reconsider was lost.
On motion, the House adjourned at 5:05 o'clock P.M.

CHAS. E. CLINE, Speaker.

S. P. CARUSI, Chief Clerk.

FORTY-FIRST DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, Saturday, February 20, 1897.

Pursuant to adjournment the House convened at 10 o'clock A.M.; Speaker Cline presiding.
Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Bailey, of the African M.E. Church, of Seattle.
Roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names except Messrs. Lusher, Richmond, Conine and P. M. Smith.
The journal of the preceding day was read and approved.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

House bill No. 394 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.
House bill No. 66 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS AND AUDITING.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 19, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Claims and Auditing, to whom was referred sundry accounts, have had the same under consideration, and we respect-
fully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that the following be allowed: To Bilger & Going, for hardware, lamps, burners, etc., $34.80; to A. L. Laye, for hauling, 50 cents; to Allan Muirhead, for wood, $5; to H. F. Docherty, for hauling printing supplies, $7; to the Central News Company, $100.55, for stationery and house supplies.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

C. J. Moore, Chairman.
John Forbes.
J. Parker.
C. S. Barlow.
Henry Carr.

On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 227, entitled "An act to amend section 9 of an act entitled 'An act to protect salmon and other food fishes in the State of Washington, and upon all waters which this state has jurisdiction and concurrent jurisdiction,' approved 11, 1890," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. L. E. Rader, Acting Chairman.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 417, entitled "An act to establish and fix reasonable maximum rates of charges for the transportation of freight by railroad companies, and other common carriers doing business in the State of Washington, etc.," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. Miles T. Hooper, Acting Chairman.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

House bill No. 481 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 427 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 459 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 314 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 446 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 387 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.
House memorial No. 13 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 326 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed, and bill attached be substituted for the bill.

House bill No. 403 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 519, by the Judiciary Committee: An act to provide for the punishment of recalcitrant witnesses before committees appointed by the legislative bodies of the State of Washington, or either of them, and declaring an emergency.

Read first and second times, and on motion of Mr. Williams the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 64, noes 3, absent or not voting 11.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Conine, Hooper, Jory, Kittinger, Koehler, Levin, Lusher, Nelson, Richmond, Scott, and Smith P. M.,—11.

On vote, the emergency clause was passed: Ayes 58, noes 8, absent or not voting 12.

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Williams, Wilkeson, Winsor, Windust, Witt, and Mr. Speaker — 58.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

House bill No. 486 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.
House bill No. 332 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.
House bill No. 248 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.
House bill No. 336 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.
House bill No. 299 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed, and that the substitute bill do pass.
House bill No. 306 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.
House bill No. 328 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.
House bill No. 292 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.
House bill No. 341 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.
House bill No. 338 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.
House bill No. 325 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.
House bill No. 327 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

House memorial No. 15, by Mr. Cline: Relating to postal savings banks.
Referred to Committee on Memorials.
House memorial No. 16, by Mr. Mohundro: Memorializing congress in regard to a national soldiers' home at Fort Sherman, Idaho.

Referred to Committee on Memorials.

House bill No. 520, by Mr. Wolf: An act providing for the dissolution of irrigation districts, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Water, Water Rights and Irrigation.

House bill No. 521, by Mr. Hargrave: An act to be known as the county government bill, for the purpose of reclassifying the counties of the State of Washington, consolidating certain named county offices, abolishing the office of county attorney in counties of certain classes, and districting said counties of said certain classes for the purpose of electing a district attorney in and for said district.

Referred to Committee on Counties and County Boundaries.

House bill No. 522, by Mr. Ames: An act to extend the time in which certain persons, associations or corporations heretofore having the exclusive or preference right to purchase certain tide lands of the second and third classes may avail themselves of the exclusive and preference right to purchase, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Tide Lands.

House bill No. 523, by Mr. Fritz: An act regulating charges of telephone companies, and providing penalties for its violation.

Referred to Committee on Corporations other than Municipal.

House bill No. 524, by Mr. Fritz: An act regulating sleeping car companies, and providing penalties for its violation.

Referred to Committee on Corporations other than Municipal.

House bill No. 525, by Mr. Mitchell: An act relating to decisions of county boards of equalization.

Referred to Committee on Counties and County Boundaries.

The hour of 10:30 o'clock A. M. having arrived, the House took under consideration House bill No. 417: An act to establish and fix reasonable maximum rates of charges for transportation of freight by railroad companies and other common carriers doing business in the State of Washington, and to correct abuses and to prevent and prohibit discrimination by railroad companies and other common carriers doing business in the State of Washington, against persons, firms, companies, corporations and localities in the matter of said rates and facilities for shipment, and providing
for the due enforcement and observance of the rates so fixed, and providing for penalties by fine or imprisonment, or both such fine and imprisonment, for a failure to observe the rates and regulations and prohibition so established and fixed as aforesaid, and providing a method for determining the reasonableness of said rates and regulations, and declaring an emergency.

Moved by Mr. Geraghty, that the bill be considered read the third time, and placed on final passage.

On vote, the motion was lost.

The bill was read the first time.

Mr. Williams was called to the chair at 10:45 A.M.

The reading was declared the second reading by the chair.

Mr. Geraghty appealed to the House, and the decision of the chair was sustained.

Amendment by Mr. Powell: Strike out all of the title except the first two lines thereof, as they appear in the printed bill, and strike out all after the enacting clause, and insert the following: “All common carriers doing business in this state shall be entitled to charge for carrying freight between points in this state a reasonable rate and no more. In all actions wherein the reasonableness of any such charge shall be in question, such question shall be determined by a jury.”

On vote, the amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Jory: Amend section 1 by adding after the last word of said section the words: “Hops in bales, potatoes, watermelons, onions, muskmelons, apples, pears, peaches and wool.”

On motion, the further consideration of the bill and amendment was deferred, and Captain Beck, of Seattle, was given five minutes’ time to intercede for an appropriation to establish an industrial home for the blind.

On motion, the House adjourned at 12:07 o’clock P.M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House was called to order at 2 o’clock P.M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

A quorum being present, the House resumed the discussion of House bill No. 417, and the amendment offered by Mr. Jory.
Mr. Williams was called to the chair at 2:03 o'clock P. M.

Mr. Hooper offered an amendment to the amendment, as follows: Strike out all the words but the words "hops" and "wool."

On vote, the amended amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Powell: In line 9, section 24, strike out the word "ten" and insert the word "one."

On vote, the amendment was lost: Ayes 14, noes 49, absent or not voting 15.


Amendment by Mr. Rader: In section 24, line 9, strike out the word "ten" and insert the word "five."

Moved, that the bill and pending amendments be made a special order for February 23, at 10:30 o'clock A. M.

The motion was lost.

On vote, the amendment by Mr. Rader was carried.

Moved by Mr. Witt, that the rules be suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the motion was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Williams: In section 24, line 10, after the word "purpose," insert the words "Provided, That all bills for counsel fees shall be approved by the legislature which shall meet after the services have been rendered."

Mr. Geraghty raised the point of order and stated that the bill had been passed to the third reading on yesterday, and the whole proceeding now being had was out of order.

The point of order was not sustained.
On vote, the amendment was lost. Amendment by Mr. Crouch: Strike out section 1, and insert the following:

"SECTION 1. No common carrier operating a line of railroad in this state shall charge for hauling agricultural products in carload lots from one point within this state to another point within this state at rates exceeding the following, to wit: Seventy cents per ton for distances not exceeding twenty miles; and for each mile of distance in excess of twenty and up to a total distance of thirty-five miles, two cents per ton; and for each mile of distance in excess of thirty-five and up to a total distance of fifty miles, one and one-third cents per ton; and for each mile in excess of fifty and up to a total distance of seventy-five miles, one cent per ton; and for each mile of distance in excess of seventy-five and up to a total distance of one hundred miles, eight-tenths of one cent per ton; and for each mile of distance in excess of one hundred and up to a total distance of one hundred and fifty miles, seven-tenths of one cent per ton; and for each mile in excess of one hundred and fifty, one-half of one cent per ton, making the rates allowed hereby not more than seventy cents per ton for distances not more than twenty miles; for thirty-five miles, one dollar per ton; for fifty miles, one dollar and twenty cents per ton; for seventy-five miles, one dollar and forty-five cents per ton; for one hundred miles, one dollar and sixty-five cents per ton; for one hundred and fifty miles, two dollars per ton; for two hundred miles, two dollars and twenty-five cents per ton; for two hundred and fifty miles, two dollars and fifty cents per ton; for three hundred miles, two dollars and seventy-five cents per ton; for three hundred and fifty miles, three dollars per ton; for four hundred miles, three dollars and twenty-five cents per ton; for four hundred and fifty miles, three dollars and fifty cents per ton; for five hundred miles, three dollars and seventy-five cents per ton, with proportionate differences for intermediate distances: Provided, however, That no charge for hauling the freight in carload lots in this section mentioned shall exceed three dollars and seventy-five cents per ton from any point within this state to any other point within this state. Agricultural products shall be held to include grain of all kinds, flour, feed, mill stuffs, flax seed, corn, hay compressed in bales, hops in bales and wool."

On vote, the amendment was lost: Ayes 25, noes 34, absent or not voting 19.


Noes: Messrs. Bush A. S., Bush C. P., Canutt, Carr, Day, de Mattos, Freeman, Geraghty, Hansen, Hargrave, Hicks, Hodgdon, Hooper, Irvin, Johnston, Kincaid, Libby, Likins, Mathiot, Mitchell,


Amendment by Mr. Struve: In section 24, line 3, strike out the word "governor" and insert the words "attorney general," and in line 5 strike out the words "the attorney general of this state."

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Witt, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

Moved by Mr. Struve, that we adjourn until 2:30 o’clock P. M., Tuesday.

On vote, the motion was lost.

The call of the House was demanded by Mr. Powell, and on calling the roll the following members were found to be absent without leave: Messrs. Baker G. H., Fritz, Kincaid, Merrifield, Pierson, Richmond, and Ross.

The sergeant-at-arms was instructed to bring the absentees before the bar of the House.

Mr. Hodgdon was excused on account of sickness in his family.

Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, that the call of the House be dispensed with.

The motion was ruled out of order.

Moved by Mr. Williams, to take a recess for 10 minutes.

The motion was carried.

The motion to adjourn until 2:30 o’clock P. M. Tuesday was lost.

The motion to adjourn until 7:30 o’clock P. M. was lost.

Moved, that Mr. Powell be excused from the session.

The motion was lost.

Moved, that Messrs. Powell and Winsor be excused from the session.

The motion was lost.

Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, that the House reconsider the vote by which the call of the House was demanded.

On vote, the motion was carried.
The vote on call of the House was reconsidered, and call of the House dispensed with.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the House adjourned at 4:50 o'clock P. M. until 2 o'clock P. M. on Tuesday.

CHAS. E. CLINE, Speaker.

S. P. CARUSI, Chief Clerk.

FORTY-FOURTH DAY.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, Tuesday, February 23, 1897.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House convened at 2 o'clock P. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Rev. A. G. Sawin, of the Baptist Church.

The roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names except Mr. Fritz.

Moved by Mr. C. P. Bush, to dispense with the reading of the journal, and that the same be approved.

The motion was lost.

The journal of the preceding session was read in full, and approved.

Moved by Mr. Witt, that the House now take up House bill No. 417 for consideration.

The motion carried.

The bill was considered on third reading, and placed on its final passage.

The previous question was ordered.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 59, noes 17, absent or not voting 2.

Rader, Richmond, Roberts, Ross, Scott, Smith C., Smith H. D.,
Smith J. B., Smith P. M., Stafford, Stuhrman, Tobiassen,
Warner, Winsor, Wilkeson, Way, Witt, Wolf, Windust and Mr.
Speaker — 59.

Noes: Messrs. Ames, Baker G. H., Barlow, Bush A. S., Clapp,
Guie, Hicks, Kittinger, Levin, Marshall, Mathiot, Mentzer, Merri-
field, Powell, Struve, Thacker, and Williams — 17.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Fritz and Gerry — 2.

On vote, the emergency clause failed to pass: Ayes 45, noes 28,
absent or not voting 5.

Ayes: Messrs. Baker F. R., Baker S. W., Bush C. P., Canutt,
Carr, Caywood, Conine, Couch, Day, de Mattos, Edwards J. M.,
Freeman, Geraghty, Gilkey, Hagadorn, Hansen, Hargrave, Hodg-
don, Hooper, Irvin, Jory, Koehler, Land, Libby, Likins, Lind-
strom, Lusher, Mitchell, Mohundro, Moore, McAtee, Nelson,
Parker, Phelps, Pierson, Rader, Ross, Smith C., Smith H. D.,
Smith J. B., Winsor, Wilkeson, Witt, Windust, and Mr.
Speaker — 45.

Noes: Messrs. Ames, Baker G. H., Barlow, Bush A. S., Clapp,
Forbes, Guie, Gerry, Hicks, Johnston, Kincaid, Kittinger, Levin,
Mathiot, Mentzer, Merrifield, Powell, Richmond, Roberts, Staff-
ford, Stuhrman, Struve, Thacker, Tobiassen, Warner, Williams,

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Edwards J. O., Fritz, Marshall,
Scott, and Smith P. M. — 5.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to
stand as the title of the act.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 23, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The president of the Senate has appointed Senators Taylor and Dorr
as members of committee to investigate the penitentiary, and Senators
McReavy, and Miller of Thurston, on committee to advertise for quarters
for state offices.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 19, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 96, entitled "An act relating to
notice to a party after appearance in an action," and the same is here-
with transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.
On motion of Mr. Witt, the rules were suspended, and House bill No. 417 was ordered transferred to the Senate at once.

On vote of the House, special order on House bill No. 358 was deferred, and the special order of February 20th, on House bill No. 420, by Mr. Hooper, was taken up, and the bill read the second time.

Mr. Ross was called to the chair at 3:30 o'clock p.m.

On motion of Mr. Hooper, section 5 was stricken out.

Amendment by Mr. Wolf: In section 6, line 2, committee's amended report, strike out the words "some prominent," and insert the word "every."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. F. R. Baker: In section 6, line 8, strike out all after the word "company."

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RAILROADS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 18, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred House bill No. 202, entitled "An act to regulate and establish reasonable rates of compensation for carrying passengers on railroads in the State of Washington," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that the bill hereto attached be substituted therefor, being No. 420, and that said House bill No. 420 do pass, with the following amendments to printed bill:

Insert the words "and baggage" between the words "passengers" and "on," in the first line of title. [Carried.]

In section 1, line 7, between the words "three" and "cents," insert the words "and one-half." [Lost.]

In section 2, line 8, between the words "compensation" and "for," insert the words "that may be charged." [Carried.]

Between sections 3 and 4 insert the following section:

"Sec. 4. A ticket granting transportation both ways, or to and fro, once only, between the two extreme points named in such ticket, shall be called a round trip ticket; and the sum of money which may be charged for a round trip ticket shall not exceed ninety per cent. of the sum of two full fares: Provided, That one full fare shall be construed to mean the sum of money which may be charged and collected for a ticket sold at regular rates under this act, and granting transportation one way only, between the two extreme points named in such ticket, and such ticket shall be sold to any passenger on demand." [Carried.]

Make all numbers of subsequent sections consecutive.

In section 4, line 3, strike out the words "valid for a period of ninety days" and insert the words "redeemable in transportation only at any time" in place thereof. [Carried.]

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In section 5, line 2, insert the words "one-half of" between the words "of" and "one." In line 3 of section 5, strike out the word "additional" and insert in lieu thereof the words "in addition to regular rates." In line 6 of section 5, strike out the word "also," between the words "provided" and "that," and insert the word "further" in its place; and line 7 of said section, between the words "posted" and "in," insert the words "in a conspicuous place;" and after the last word of section 5 add the words "And provided further, That no penalty for short distances shall be less than ten cents." [On motion, section 5 was stricken out.]

In section 6, line 1, strike out the word "or" where the same appears between the words "owning" and "operating." [Carried.]

In section 6, line 2, insert the word "prominent" between the words "some" and "ticket." [Lost.]

In section 6, line 4, insert the word "five" between the words "twenty" and "dollars." [Lost.]

In section 6, line 7, strike out the word "designated" and insert in lieu thereof the words "written in ink." [Carried.]

In section 6, line 9, strike out the figure "8" and insert in lieu thereof the figure "5." [Stricken out.]

Strike out the whole of section 9, and substitute therefor the following:

"Sec. 9. Any individual, company or corporation, owning, operating, managing or leasing any railroad or part of a railroad within this state, feeling that the rates of compensation provided for in this act are unreasonable and unjust may make complaint to that effect and have the same determined in any court of competent jurisdiction within this state: Provided, That the state shall make answer to said complaint; may subpoena witnesses, examine facts and take testimony, and do whatever it may be needful for it to do to make its answer complete, to the end that the public may have transportation service at the hands of the railroad companies at the lowest rates of compensation consistent with the rights and just claims of all parties and all interests concerned, and should a railroad or transportation commission for this state be provided by law, it shall be the duty of said commission to see that all the provisions of this act are enforced, and all the provisions of law relating to the duties of such commission and the manner and method of its procedure and the manner and method of contesting its action, shall apply and be in force in connection with the provisions of this act." [Lost.]

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

J. L. CANUTT, Chairman.

J. P. de Mattos.

J. G. Fritz.

W. B. Roberts.

Miles T. Hooper.

Charles H. Wolf.

C. E. Mohundro.

J. B. Smith.

Theron Stafford.

Amendment by Mr. Mohundro: Strike out all of section 1.

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Warner: In line 7, section 1, after the word "mile," "and a bicycle in the possession of a passenger shall be deemed to be baggage."
Amendment by Mr. Williams: Add the words "baby carriages."
The amendment was adopted.
On vote, the amendment was lost.
Amendment by Mr. Warner: In section 1, line 2, strike out the words "till the first day of January, 1899."
Substitute by Mr. F. R. Baker: In section 1, lines 1 and 2, strike out the words "and continuing thereafter till the first day of January, 1899."
The amendment was adopted.
Amendment by Mr. Richmond: "Sec. 12. This law shall not prohibit any railroad or transportation company from charging five (5) cents per mile for carrying passengers on any new branch road that may be hereafter built within the State of Washington for a period of five years after the completion of said branch road."
The amendment was lost.
Amendment by Mr. Kincaid: Add to section 1, "Provided, that in all mountain divisions of any railroad an additional one cent per mile may be charged."
The amendment was lost.
Amendment by Mr. Roberts: In line 6 section 1, strike out the word "less" and insert the word "more."
Substitute amendment by Mr. Warner: In lines 6 and 8, section 1, strike out the words "not less than."
The amendment was lost.
On vote, the amendment was adopted.
In line 8, section 1, strike out the word "less" and insert the word "more."
The amendment was adopted.
Amendment by Mr. A. S. Bush: Amend section 1, by adding, "Provided, that the provisions of this section shall not apply to roads less than thirty miles in length, the same not being a part of any system of roads."
The amendment was lost.
Amendment by Mr. McAtee: In section 6, line 4, insert the figure and word "(5) five" between the words "twenty" and "dollars."
The amendment was ruled out of order, the same amendment having been acted on previously.
Amendment by Mr. Jory: In section 6, strike out all words after the word "purchase" in line 5.
The amendment was lost.
Amendment by Mr. Warner: Strike out section 2.
The amendment was carried.

Moved by Mr. Johnston, to reconsider the vote by which the amendment to insert the word “five” between the words “twenty” and “dollars” was lost.
The motion was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Hodgdon: Strike out section 6.
The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Marshall: Amend section 1 by inserting in line 3, between the words “railroads” and “within,” the words “other than a transcontinental line which is less than one hundred and fifty miles in length.”
The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. F. R. Baker: In line 6, section 1, strike out the word “and” and insert the word “or.”
The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Warner: Strike out the whole of section 9 and substitute therefor the following:

“SEC. 9. Any individual, company or corporation, owning, operating, managing or leasing any railroad or part of a railroad within this state, feeling that the rates of compensation provided for in this act are unreasonable and unjust, may make complaint to that effect and have the same determined in the superior court of Thurston county, State of Washington: Provided, That the state shall make answer to said complaint; may subpoena witnesses, examine facts and take testimony, and do whatever it may be needful for it to do to make its answer complete, to the end that the public may have transportation service at the hands of the railroad companies at the lowest rates of compensation consistent with the rights and just claims of all parties and all interests concerned, and should a railroad or transportation commission for this state be provided by law, it shall be the duty of said commission to see that all the provisions of this act are enforced, and all the provisions of law relating to the duties of such commission, and the manner and method of its procedure, and the manner and method of contesting its action, shall apply and be in force in connection with the provisions of this act.”

Amendment to amendment by Mr. Rader: Strike out all reference to “railroad commission.”

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

On vote, the amended amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Lusher: In section 6, line 6, after the word “family” insert the words “or an employee of such purchaser.”
The amendment was lost.
The bill was ordered engrossed and passed to third reading.
Moved by Mr. Roberts, to make the bill a special order for 2:30 o'clock P. M. on February 24.
The motion was lost.
Moved by Mr. Rader, that the rules be suspended, the second reading considered the third, and the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.
The motion was lost.
Moved, that House bill No. 358 be taken up for consideration.
The motion was lost.
Moved by Mr. Roberts, to make House bill No. 358 a special order for 10:30 o'clock A. M., February 24.
The motion was lost.
Three petitions were presented by the speaker from citizens of Seattle, protesting against the passage of the House bill relating to sale of liquors at or near the state university, and read.
Referred to Committee on State University.
A petition was presented from citizens of Kittitas irrigation district, protesting against the passage of arid land bill.
Referred to Committee on Water, Water Rights and Irrigation.
A petition was presented by the speaker from the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, protesting against the passage of railroad measures now pending in the House.
Referred to Committee on Railroads.
A petition was presented from citizens, relating to banking laws.
Referred to Committee on Banks and Banking.
The following resolution was introduced by Mr. Hodgdon:
WHEREAS, There is a standing rule of this House prohibiting smoking within this House; and
WHEREAS, The sergeant-at-arms has been instructed to enforce said rule, and has tried to enforce the same in a courteous and gentlemanly manner by insisting that members of this House or any other person shall not smoke within the House; and
WHEREAS, Some of the members of this House refuse, as well as persons not members of the House, to comply with the said rule; now, be it
Resolved, That the sergeant-at-arms shall bring members of this House, who refuse or fail to comply with the said rule, before the bar of this House, where they shall be censured, and persons not members shall be ejected from the House.
Mr. Hodgdon moved that the resolution be adopted.
It was moved to refer the resolution to the Committee on Public Morals.
On motion, the motion to refer was lost.
On motion, the resolution was adopted.
Mr. Williams tendered his resignation as a member of the Committee on Banks and Banking, and moved its acceptance.
On motion, Mr. Williams' resignation was accepted, and the speaker appointed Mr. Day to fill the vacancy in said committee.
Moved by Mr. Lusher, to make House bill No. 472 a special order for 10:30 o'clock on March 2.
The motion was lost.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.
The following bills were introduced, read first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees:
House concurrent resolution No. 20, by Mr. Conine, relating to the Northern Pacific Railway grant, was read.
Referred to the Committee on Railroads.
House concurrent resolution No. 21, by Mr. Roberts, relating to bimetallism, was read.
Referred to the Committee on Memorials.
House bill No. 527, by Mr. Lindstrom: An act requiring railroad companies to furnish sufficient cars for the transportation of freight.
Referred to the Committee on Railroads.
House bill No. 528, by Mr. Lindstrom: An act to amend section 2 of chapter 128 of the Laws of the State of Washington, passed and approved March 15, 1893, entitled "An act to protect the owners of stock from injury thereto by moving railway trains, declaring the law of negligence and providing for a reasonable attorney's fee in all actions for such injury."
Referred to the Committee on Railroads.
House bill No. 529, by Mr. Hansen: An act providing for the services of summons and complaint upon corporations which have been doing business in this state, when such corporations are in the hands of receivers, and there are no officers in this state upon whom summons and complaint can be served, and declaring an emergency.
Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.
House bill No. 530, by Mr. Struve: An act relating to tide lands, and providing for the relief of upland owners having improvements on abutting tide lands, and declaring an emergency.
Referred to Committee on Tide Lands.
House bill No. 531, by Mr. Irvin: An act to compel railroad companies to fence their tracks and build cattle guards, providing a penalty, and declaring an emergency.
Referred to Committee on Railroads.
House bill No. 532, by Mr. Phelps: An act for the relief of Wm. Day.
Referred to Committee on Claims and Auditing.
House bill No. 533, by Mr. Phelps: An act for the relief of J. B. Slater.
Referred to Committee on Claims and Auditing.
House bill No. 534, by Mr. Barlow: An act authorizing the acquiring, receiving, condemnation, laying out, grading and improving of boulevards, or composite highway and walks, cycle paths and parks in connection therewith, by cities of the first class and by counties, where the said boulevard, highway and walks, cycle paths and parks extend beyond the limits of such cities of the first class, and to provide for levying upon the property benefited thereby and collecting special assessment to pay therefor, and for the issuance of bonds, payable in ten annual installments, with interest, to provide means for carrying out said work.
Referred to Committee on Cities of the First Class.
House bill No. 535, by Mr. Canutt: An act to provide for the catching of saw logs, spars, piles and other timber and cord wood.
Referred to Committee on Commerce and Manufactures.
House bill No. 536, by Mr. Phelps: An act for the relief of C. A. Muntz.
Referred to Committee on Claims and Auditing.
House bill No. 537, by Mr. Nelson: An act repealing House bill No. 505 of the legislature of 1895, entitled "An act providing for the appointment by the governor of state lumber and shingle weighers."
Referred to Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics.
House bill No. 538, by Mr. Nelson (by request): An act to provide for the appointment of state lumber and shingle weighers, and defining their duties.
Referred to Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics.
House bill No. 539, by Mr. Mitchell: An act relating to the collection of taxes on personal property.
Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.
House bill No. 485 was ordered printed.
The resignation of Mr. Raby, committee clerk, was tendered and accepted.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE, OUT OF ITS ORDER.
House bill No. 439 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.
Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, that we now adjourn.
On vote, the motion was lost.
On motion, the House adjourned at 4:55 o'clock P. M.

S. P. Carusi, Chief Clerk.

FORTY-FIFTH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Washington, Wednesday, February 24, 1897.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House convened at 10 o'clock A. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Rev. J. S. McCallum, of the Christian Church.

The roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names.

The journal of the preceding day was read and approved.

A petition was presented by the speaker, from Mr. J. M. Forbes, of Etna, Washington, relating to an exemption of $2,500 on personal property, and $2,500 on improvements on land, and the same was read.

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 420, entitled "An act to regulate and establish reasonable rates of compensation for carrying passengers and baggage on railroads in the State of Washington," has
been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. L. E. RADER, Acting Chairman.

A resolution was offered by Mr. Hodgdon, relating to change of rules regarding time of session.

Referred to Committee on Rules and Orders.

Moved by Mr. Powell, to appoint a "sifting committee" of 9 to have charge of calendar.

The motion was lost.

Resolution by Mr. Wilkeson, relating to land grant of Northern Pacific Railway Company and appointing a committee to investigate same.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

House bill No. 315 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 357 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 282 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 223 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

Senate bill No. 106 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 390 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 399 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Senate bill No. 19 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 106 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 466 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 444 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 73 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House memorial No. 9 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.
House bill No. 451 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 301 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 374 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 42 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed; minority report, that it do pass.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees:

House bill No. 540, by Judiciary Committee: An act amending section 37 of an act approved March 15, 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the manner of commencing civil actions in the superior courts and bringing the same to trial."

Placed on calendar for second reading.

House bill No. 541, by Judiciary Committee: An act to amend section 2179 of the Code of 1881, in relation to the duties of county clerk.

On calendar for second reading.

House bill No. 542, by Judiciary Committee: An act relating to changes of venue in justice's courts, and repealing sections 1881 and 1938 of the Code of 1881.

On calendar for second reading.

House bill No. 543, by Judiciary Committee: An act relating to the giving of bonds by municipal corporations in all actions and proceedings.

Placed on calendar for second reading.

House bill No. 544, by Judiciary Committee: An act to amend section 527 of the Code of 1881, in relation to security of costs.

Placed on calendar for second reading.

House bill No. 545, by Mr. Hansen: An act to prevent live bird shooting.

Referred to Committee on Public Morals.


On calendar for second reading.
House Bill No. 547, by Judiciary Committee: An act amending section 1113 of the Code of 1881, relating to the disposition of fines.

On calendar for second reading.

House bill No. 548, by Judiciary Committee: An act to define and punish offenses against the sovereignty of the state.

On calendar for second reading.

House bill No. 549, by Judiciary Committee: An act relating to the summary administration of estates of decedents of a value less than five hundred dollars.

On calendar for second reading.

House bill No. 550, by Judiciary Committee: An act to amend section 4 of chapter 29 of the Session Laws of 1891, relating to appeals from justices' courts.

On calendar for second reading.


On calendar for second reading.

House bill No. 552, by Judiciary Committee: An act to amend section 379 of the Code of 1881, relating to sheriff's deeds.

On calendar for second reading.

House bill No. 553, by Judiciary Committee: An act to amend section 279 of the Code of 1881, in relation to the force and effect of judgments in award.

On calendar for second reading.

House bill No. 554, by Judiciary Committee: An act to define the jurisdiction of criminal offenses committed on tide water within the state and not within the boundaries of any county.

On calendar for second reading.

House bill No. 555, by Judiciary Committee: An act to amend section 2827 of the Code of Washington of 1881, relating to prosecution of offenses regarding wrecked property.

On calendar for second reading.

House bill No. 556, by Judiciary Committee: An act providing the form of oath of trustees of private corporations.

On calendar for second reading.

House bill No. 557, by Judiciary Committee: An act amending
section 3105 of the Code of Washington of 1881, relating to the contesting of elections.

On calendar for second reading.

House bill No. 558, by Judiciary Committee: An act to amend an act entitled "An act to amend section 1 of an act entitled 'An act relative to filling vacancies in boards of county commissioners,' approved November 23, 1883, the same being section 274 of volume one of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, and declaring an emergency," approved February 27, 1893.

On calendar for second reading.

House bill No. 559, by Judiciary Committee: An act relating to arrest and bail in civil actions and proceedings, and abolishing the proceeding of ne exeat.

On calendar for second reading.

House bill No. 560, by Judiciary Committee: An act to amend section 1056 of the Code of 1881, relating to plea of guilty in criminal actions.

On calendar for second reading.

House bill No. 561, by Mr. Koehler: An act to prohibit the use of society badges, emblems and uniforms by persons not a member, and providing a penalty.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 562, by Mr. Conine: An act to authorize and empower the governor and adjutant general of the State of Washington, to loan to the "Pacific Soldiers' Reunion Association," certain camping equipments belonging to the State of Washington.

Referred to Committee on Military Affairs and Soldiers' Home.

House bill No. 563, by Mr. Rader: An act to provide for voting on a constitutional amendment at the general election to be held in November, 1898, relative to amendments to the constitution of the State of Washington.

Referred to Committee on Constitutional Revision.

House bill No. 564, by Mr. Ames: An act punishing bank officers for receiving deposits, knowing the bank to be insolvent, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Banks and Banking.

House bill No. 565, by Mr. Way: An act for the establishment of an institution for the adult blind, location, management and control of the same.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.
House bill No. 566, by Mr. Way: An act for certification of land titles and the simplification of the transfer of real estate.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Senate bill No. 96, by Senator Taylor: An act amending section 822, volume 2, Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, relating to notice to a party after appearance in an action.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Senate bill No. 97, by Senator Taylor: An act relating to claims against the estates of infants, insane and incompetent persons.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Senate bill No. 108, by Senator Warburton: An act to prevent the unauthorized interference with electric meters, wires, and cables used for measuring and conducting electric currents.
Referred to Committee on Labor and Statistics.

Senate bill No. 181, by Committee on Judiciary: An act authorizing the bringing of suits for the distribution of funds of insolvent insurance companies, in the hands of the treasurer of the state.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Senate bill No. 182, by the Judiciary Committee: An act relating to bonds in actions and proceedings.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Senate bill No. 93, by Senator Houghton: An act granting a bounty for the encouragement of the production and manufacture of sugar in the State of Washington.
Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

Senate bill No. 49, by Senator Plummer: An act to amend section 1662 of the second volume of Hill's Annotated Code of Washington, in regard to the discovery of facts and documents by interrogatories.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE, SCHOOL AND GRANTED LANDS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 16, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on State, School and Granted Lands, to whom was referred Senate concurrent resolution No. 17, relating to state granted lands, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report
the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

J. C. MERRIFIELD, Chairman.

J. M. EDWARDS.

J. L. LIKINS.

H. D. SMITH.

HANS HANSEN.

F. I. PHELPS.

J. B. JOHNSTON.

PAUL LAND.

Ordered passed to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMPENSATION AND FEES OF STATE AND COUNTY OFFICERS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 19, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 158, entitled "An act to amend section 2776 of the Code of 1881, relating to the duties of coroner when sheriff is incapacitated," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

C. A. MENTZER, Chairman.

W. L. FREEMAN.

A. MATHIOT.

LEWIS LINDSTROM.

C. S. BARLOW.

HANS HANSEN.

GEO. M. WITT.

On motion of Mr. Williams, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 75, noes 0, absent or not voting 3.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Marshall, Mathiot, and Wilkeson — 3.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 97, as amended in the Senate, was read, and the House concurred in the Senate amendment.

House bill No. 114, as amended in the Senate, was read, and the first amendment was concurred in by the House.

The second amendment, relating to the emergency clause, was passed: Ayes 68, noes 8, absent or not voting 2.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Irvin and Marshall — 2.

House bill No. 17, as amended in the Senate, was read.

Moved by Mr. Roberts, to refuse to concur in the Senate amendments.

On vote, the motion was carried.

Moved by Mr. Rader, that the clerk notify the Senate of the refusal of the House to concur in the amendments to House bill No. 17, and ask for committee on conference.

On vote, the motion was carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE GROUP No. 6.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, the undersigned, chairmen of the Committees of Group No. 6, beg leave to report that we have selected Mrs. Fannie Fedora as clerk of our
group, vice Charles G. Raby, resigned, and ask that she be confirmed and sworn in.

JOHN L. CANUTT,
Chairman Committee on Railroads.

J. P. DE MATTOS,
Chairman Committee on Municipal Corporations.

L. E. RADER,
Chairman Committee on Constitutional Revision.

CLEVELAND SMITH,
Chairman Committee on Agriculture.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the clerk was instructed to cast the vote of the House for Mrs. Fannie Fedora.


Thereupon Mrs. Fannie Fedora was sworn in, as committee clerk, by the Speaker.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., FEBRUARY 15, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Constitutional Revision, to whom was referred House bill No. 200, entitled "An act to provide for voting on a constitutional amendment at the general election to be held in November, 1898, relative to receiving non-interest bearing state warrants for taxes," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that the bill hereto attached be substituted therefor, and that the said substitute do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

L. E. RADER, Chairman.

J. C. CONINE.

J. A. GILKEY.

HANS HANSEN.

J. O. EDWARDS.

E. W. WAY.

THOS. WINSOR.

PHIL. M. SMITH.

MILES T. HOOPER.
Substitute bill No. 473 was read, and on motion of Mr. Rader, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

The previous question was ordered.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 54, noes 21, absent or not voting 3.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Barlow, Libby, and Mathiot—3.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber, Olympia, Wash., February 24, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has refused to concur in the amendments of the House of Senate bill No. 103, entitled "An act to amend sections 12 and 13 of an act entitled 'An act to define, regulate and govern the state penitentiary, and declaring an emergency.'"

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

Senate Chamber, Olympia, Wash., February 24, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has concurred in House amendments to Senate bill No. 13, entitled "An act relating to assignments and satisfaction of mortgages;" also Senate bill No. 16, entitled "An act to amend sections 1075 and 76, of volume 2, Hill's Code," etc.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

Senate Chamber, Olympia, Wash., February 24, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 200, entitled "An act relating to attachments," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.
SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 24, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed Senate bill No. 6, entitled “An act amending section 28 of the Penal Code of the State of Washington, relating to the crime of rape,” and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 24, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed Senate bill No. 131, entitled “An act for the relief of the members of the electoral college,” and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Richmond was excused until Friday, February 26.
The speaker gave notice that he had signed in open session Senate bills Nos. 6 and 131.

On motion, the House adjourned at 12:05 o’clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House convened at 2 o’clock p. m.; Speaker Cline in the chair.
A quorum being present, business was resumed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND LABOR STATISTICS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 17, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics, to whom was referred House bill No. 388, entitled “An act to amend sections 3122 and 3124 of volume 1, Hill’s Annotated Code of Washington, relating to laborers’ liens and claims,” have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.
Respectfully submitted.
We concur in this report:

PAUL LAND, Chairman.
J. O. EDWARDS.
A. T. TOBIASSEN.
CLEVELAND SMITH.
D. R. LUSHER.
F. I. PHILPS.
JOHN A. GILKEY.
Amendment by Mr. Warner: In section 1, line 3, strike out the words "except in the ordinary course of trade."

The amendment was adopted.

In section 1, line 5, after the word "due" insert the word "all."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Warner was called to the chair at 2:10 o'clock p.m.

Amendment by Mr. Powell: Strike out the words "or mortgages," in line 3, section 1; and strike out the words "or suits for foreclosing mortgages," in lines 4 and 5 of section 1.

The amendment was lost.

The bill was ordered engrossed and passed to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 17, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Insurance, to whom was referred House bill No. 281, entitled "An act amending 'An act exempting the proceeds of life insurance from liability for debt, and declaring an emergency,' approved March 20, 1895," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

L. J. McAtee, Chairman.
C. P. Bush.
G. N. Hodgdon.
J. Z. Nelson.
V. R. Pierson.

Amendment by Mr. Powell: Strike out section 2.

On vote, the amendment was lost.

On motion of Mr. Williams, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 68, noes 4, absent or not voting 6.


On vote, the emergency clause passed: Ayes 60, noes 11, absent or not voting 7.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 16, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 291, entitled "An act relating to the qualifications of officers of cities and towns in this state," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

J. P. de Mattos, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

J. L. Likins.

C. A. Mentzer.

Thos. Winsor.

E. W. Way.

A. D. Warner.

J. G. Fritz.

Amendment by Mr. Geraghty: In section 2, add "an emergency
is hereby declared to exist and this act shall take effect immediately after its approval by the governor."

The amendment was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Roberts, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 61, noes 12, absent or not voting 5.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Bush C. P., Lusher, McAtee, Richmond, and Mr. Speaker — 5.

On vote, the emergency clause was passed: Ayes 55, noes 17, absent or not voting 6.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Bush C. P., Canutt, Lusher, McAtee, Richmond, and Mr. Speaker — 6.
There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

In the amendment adding emergency clause, strike out the words "in this state."

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 24, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has refused to recede from its amendments to House bill No. 17, and the president has appointed the following committee, Senators Baum, Range and Dorr, to confer with a like committee of the House regarding the differences of the two houses, and to report to their respective houses as soon as convenient.

Very respectfully,
DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 16, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 113, entitled "An act providing for the dissolution of municipal corporations of the third and fourth class," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

J. P. DE MATTOS, Chairman.

We concur in this report:
J. L. LIKINS.
C. A. MENTZER.
THOS. WINSOR.
E. W. WAY.
C. S. BARLOW.
W. B. ROBERTS.
A. D. WARNER.
J. G. FRITZ.
D. LEVIN.

Amendment by Mr. Hargrave: In section 2, lines 2 and 3, strike out the words "one-third" after the word "by," and insert the word "majority."

Amendment by Mr. G. H. Baker: In line 1, section 1, after the word "third," insert the words "and fourth."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Powell: In section 13, line 4, strike out all after semicolon, and insert the words "in case of the removal, death or resignation of a receiver, the court shall have power to appoint a new receiver and to take charge of the affairs of the late corporation, as in case of other receiverships."
The amendment was adopted.
Amendment by Mr. Day: Add to section 19, "An emergency exists, and this act shall take effect immediately."
The amendment was adopted.
Amendment by Mr. Mitchell: In section 2, line 4, insert the words "desiring a dissolution of said town or city."
The amendment was lost.
Amendment by Mr. Hodgden: In section 2, line 1, insert, after the word "petition," the words "desiring a dissolution of said town or city."
The amendment was lost.
Amendment by Mr. Hargrave: In section 2, line 1, strike out the words "one-fourth" after the word "by," and insert the words "a majority."
The amendment was carried.
The bill was ordered engrossed, and passed to third reading.
On motion of Mr. Wilkeson, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.
On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 67, noes 4, absent or not voting 7.
Absent or not voting: Messrs. Lindstrom, Lusher, McAtee, Phelps, Richmond, Scott, and Smith C. — 7.
The emergency clause was passed: Ayes 67, noes 4, absent or not voting 7.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Lindstrom, Lusher, McAtee, Phelps, Richmond, Scott, and Smith C. — 7.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 16, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 59, entitled "An act to prevent the unauthorized interference with electric meters, wires and cables used for measuring and conducting electric currents," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

J. P. De Mattos, Chairman.
J. L. Likins.
C. A. Mentzer.
Thos. Winsor.
C. S. Barlow.
W. B. Roberts.
A. D. Warner.
J. G. Fritz.

Amendment by Mr. Ross: In section 1, line 1, strike out the words "cut," "break," "injure."

The amendment was adopted.

In section 1, line 2, insert the word "or" before the word "make."

The amendment was adopted.

Moved by Mr. Land, that the rules be suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

The motion was lost.
MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Roads and Bridges, to whom was referred House bill No. 384, entitled "An act providing for the reservation and improvement of a portion of the public highways for the accommodation of bicycles and foot passengers," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

F. I. PHELPS, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

J. C. KINCAID.
C. J. MOORE.
A. S. BUSH.
HENRY CARR.
E. L. KOEHLER.
PHIL. M. SMITH.

Amendment by Mr. Barlow: In section 1, line 2, insert the word "and" after the word "aside," and strike out the word "improve."

Amendment by Mr. Barlow: Strike out section 2.

The amendment was adopted.

Moved by Mr. Witt, to indefinitely postpone the bill.

On vote, the motion was lost.

Amendments by Mr. Barlow: In section 4, lines 4 and 5, strike out all after the word "committee," and insert the words "for the benefit of the general road fund of the county."

In section 5, line 2, strike out all after the word "shall" and insert the words "be done under the direction of the board of county commissioners."

The amendments were adopted.

Moved by Mr. Irvin, to re-refer the bill to the committee.

The motion was lost.

Amendment by Mr. F. R. Baker: In section 3, line 1, insert the word "willfully" after the word "persons."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Barlow: Insert enacting clause.

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Gerry: In line 4, section 4, strike out the word "commissioners," and insert the word "treasurer."

Substitute amendment by Mr. Guie: Insert the words "county auditor."
The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Way: In section 4, strike out all of line 1 after the word "act," all of line 2, and the first word of line 3.

Substitute amendment by Mr. Ross: In section 4, line 2, strike out the words "person or persons furnishing the convicting evidence," and insert the words "common school fund of such county."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Ross: In section 6 strike out all of section 6, and insert the clause "and an emergency exists, and this act shall take effect immediately."

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was ordered engrossed, and passed to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND BRIDGES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 16, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, a majority of your Committee on Roads and Bridges, to whom was referred House bill No. 383, entitled "An act providing for the apportionment of tax funds received from the taxation of bicycles," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

J. C. KINCAID.
C. J. MOORE.
A. S. BUSH.
HENRY CARR.
E. L. KOEHLER.
PHIL. M. SMITH.

MINORITY REPORT.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 16, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, a minority of your Committee on Roads and Bridges, to whom was referred House bill No. 383, entitled "An act providing for the apportionment of tax funds received from the taxation of bicycles," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

F. I. PHELPS, Chairman.
GEO. WINDUST.
A. T. TOBIASSEN.
C. T. IRVIN.

We concur in this report:
Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, that the majority report be accepted. The motion was lost.
Moved by Mr. Rader, to substitute the minority report. The motion was lost.
On motion, an enacting clause was added.
Amendment by Mr. Marshall: In line 1, section 1, strike out the word "the" and insert the word "any."
Amendment by Mr. F. R. Baker: In line 5, section 1, change the word "highway" to the word "highways."
The amendment was adopted, and the bill passed to the third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HARBORS AND WATERWAYS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 17, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Harbors and Waterways, to whom was referred House bill No. 488, entitled "An act to regulate splash dams on the streams of Washington," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.
Respectfully submitted.
We concur in this report:

J. Z. NELSON, Chairman.
L. E. RADER.
J. D. HAGADORN.
J. B. LIBBY.
J. G. FRITZ.
JOHN A. GILKEY.
PAUL LAND.

Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, to strike out section 3. The motion was carried.
The bill was passed to third reading.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 24, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed Senate bill No. 158, entitled "An act regulating the duties of coroner when acting as sheriff."
Also, Senate bill No. 16, "An act relating to the order of payment of debts of decedents."
Also, Senate bill No. 18, "An act relating to assignments and satisfactions of mortgages."
And the same are herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND MANUFACTURES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 15, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, a majority of your Committee on Commerce and Manufactures, to whom was referred House bill No. 205, entitled "An act to establish and to provide for the licensing and government of pilots, and regulating pilotage for the Straits of Juan de Fuca and all American waters pertaining thereto," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows:

Strike out section 21 of printed bill.

In section 26, line 8, of printed bill, strike out the first "proviso" or sentence, beginning with the word "that," in line 8, and ending with the word "paid," in line 9.

Strike out section 29.

And as so amended, said bill do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

V. R. PEIRSON, Chairman.

J. Z. NELSON.

ROBT. GERRY.

A. MATHIOT.

THOS. WINSOR.

C. F. CLAPP.

F. R. BAKER.

H. K. STRUVE.

MINORITY REPORT.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 15, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, a minority of your Committee on Commerce and Manufactures, to whom was referred House bill No. 205, entitled "An act to establish and to provide for the licensing and government of pilots, and regulating pilotage for the Straits of Juan de Fuca and all American waters pertaining thereto," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

PHIL. M. SMITH.

JOHN FORBES.

A. S. BUSH.

Moved by Mr. P. M. Smith, that the minority report be substituted for the majority report.

Moved by Mr. Williams, to lay the motion on the table.

On vote, the motion was lost.

On vote, the motion to substitute was lost.
Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, that the further consideration of the bill be indefinitely postponed.

The speaker resumed the chair at 4:10 p. m.

The previous question was ordered.

On vote, the motion to indefinitely postpone was carried: Ayes 50, noes 21, absent or not voting 7.


Moved by Mr. Kittinger, to reconsider the vote whereby House bill No. 205 was indefinitely postponed.

Moved by Mr. P. M. Smith, to lay the motion on the table.

On vote, the motion to table was lost.

On vote, the motion to reconsider was lost.

Moved by Mr. Roberts, that the House take a recess until 10 o'clock a. m. to-morrow.

On vote, the motion was lost.

On motion, the House adjourned at 5:25 o'clock p. m.

CHAS. E. CLINE, Speaker.

S. P. CARUSI, Chief Clerk.
Pursuant to adjournment, the House convened at 10 o'clock A. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. A. G. Sawin, of the Baptist Church.

The roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names, except Mr. Richmond, excused.

Moved by Mr. J. O. Edwards, to dispense with reading of the journal of yesterday.

The motion was lost.

The journal of the preceding day was read and approved.

A petition presented by the speaker (by request) from "Washington department, G. A. R.," relating to the passage of House bill No. 427, as amended, was read and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs and Soldiers' Home.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills, respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 114, entitled "An act allowing women to act as administratrix or executrix of estates of deceased persons, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. H. D. Jory, Chairman.

In open session of the House the Speaker signed the above.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 384, entitled "An act providing for the reservation and improvement of a portion of the public highways for the accommodation of bicycles and foot passengers," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. Miles T. Hooper, Acting Chairman.
MR. SPEAKER:
Your committee on Enrolled and Engrossed bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 383, entitled "An act providing for the apportionment of tax funds received from the taxation of bicycles," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.
Respectfully submitted. H. D. JORY, Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 388, entitled "An act to amend sections 3122 and 3124 of volume 1, Hill's Annotated Code of Washington, relating to laborers' liens and claims," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.
Respectfully submitted. MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 113, entitled "An act providing for the dissolution of municipal corporations of the third and fourth classes, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.
Respectfully submitted. A. T. TOBIASSEN, Acting Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 438, entitled "An act to regulate splash dams on the streams of Washington," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.
Respectfully submitted. MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 473, entitled "An act providing for an amendment to section six (6) of article seven (7) of the Constitution of the State of Washington, authorizing a system of non-interest bearing state warrants, receivable for taxes," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.
Respectfully submitted. H. D. JORY, Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 291, entitled "An act relating to the qualifications of officers of cities and towns, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.
Respectfully submitted. H. D. JORY, Chairman.

A petition from citizens of Kittitas county was presented by Mr. Scott, relating to proposed mining laws.
Referred to Committee on Mines and Mining.
A resolution by Mr. Fritz, relating to the appointment of a sifting committee, to be composed of nine members, was read.

Mr. Warner moved that the resolution be adopted.

Mr. Hodgdon moved to lay the resolution on the table.

On vote, the motion was carried.

Mr. C. P. Bush moved that House bills Nos. 240, 75 and 108 be placed on the calendar for second reading.

Mr. Williams moved to lay the motion on the table.

On vote, the motion was lost.

On a point of order raised, the motion was ruled out of order.

Mr. F. R. Baker moved that we resolve ourselves into the committee of the whole House for consideration of these bills.

On vote, the motion was carried.

The speaker called Mr. Ross to the chair.

The committee arose.

The speaker resumed the chair.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 25, 1897.

We, your Committee of the Whole House, to whom was referred House bills Nos. 75, 108 and 340, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that they be placed on the calendar without recommendation.

Respectfully submitted.

JAMES HUGH ROSS, Chairman.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Moved by Mr. Hodgson, that the rules be suspended and the third reading of bills be taken up.

On vote, the motion was lost.

The speaker gave notice to the House that he had, in open session, signed Senate bills Nos. 153, 16 and 13.

Moved by Mr. Powell, that it be the sense of this House that the speaker appoint, immediately, the House members of the penitentiary investigating committee.

On vote, the motion was lost.

Moved by Mr. Powell, that a committee of one be appointed to inform the Senate of the action taken by the House.

Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, to lay the motion on the table.

On vote, the motion was carried.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMORIALS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 25, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Memorials, to whom was referred joint memorial No. 16, entitled "A memorial to congress in regard to a national soldiers' home at Fort Sherman, Idaho," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

H. D. SMITH.
A. MATHIOT.
C. J. MOORE.
H. HANSEN.
F. R. BAKER.

On motion of Mr. Mohundro, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, House joint memorial No. 16 considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On motion the clerk was instructed to cast the vote of the House for the memorial.

On vote, the memorial was passed; ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 13, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 9, entitled "An act providing for the sale of real property to fore-
close liens created for internal improvements in cities of the first class, declaring that such liens shall be a first lien, prohibiting vexatious litigation, providing for the confirmation of assessment rolls, the redemption from sale, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

J. M. GERAGHTY.
H. K. STRUVE.

On motion, House bill No. 9 was referred to the Committee on Cities of the First Class.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ORDERS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 25, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Rules and Orders, to whom was referred House resolution No. —, by Mr. Hodgdon, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

Jas. Hugh Ross, Chairman.
A. D. Warner.
Solon T. Williams.
F. I. Phelps.
W. B. Roberts.

On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RAILROADS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 24, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred House bill No. 429, entitled "An act fixing rates for, and making regulations concerning travel on sleeping cars, and providing a penalty for violations of its provisions," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be referred to the Committee on Corporations other than Municipal and Railroads.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

John L. Canutt, Chairman.
J. P. de Mattos.
Charles H. Wolf.
Miles T. Hooper.
J. G. Fritz.
J. C. Merrifield.
J. B. Smith.
J. C. Kincaid.
C. E. Mohundro.

On motion, the request was granted.
MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 25, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed Senate memorial No. 4, to the congress of the United States, and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAYGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 25, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 69, entitled "An act for the relief of the widow of H. C. Ashenfelter," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAYGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

House bill No. 194 was reported back from the committee without recommendation.

House bill No. 508 was reported back from the committee without recommendation. Placed on calendar for second reading with House bill Nos. 304, 108 and 75.

House bill No. 118 was reported back from the committee without recommendation.

House bill No. 349 was reported back from the committee, majority report that it be indefinitely postponed; minority report that it do pass.

House bill No. 454 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 494 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended; minority report that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 415 was reported back from committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 503 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 517 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 516 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 380 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 501 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.
House bill No. 173 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 310 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 409 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 154 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 462 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 345 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 443 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Senate bill No. 93 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 9 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 275 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 422 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 122 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 136 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 54 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass; the minority recommend that it be indefinitely postponed.

House resolution No. —, by Mr. Wilkeson, was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 271 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 256 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 401 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 370 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.
House bill No. 351 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 449 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 355 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended; minority report that it do pass as amended; second minority report that it be indefinitely postponed.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees:

House bill No. 567, by Mr. Hansen (by request): An act making it unlawful to practice clairvoyancy, fortune telling, and similar devices, and fixing the penalty therefor.

Referred to Committee on Public Morals.

House bill No. 568, by Mr. Way: An act authorizing the issuance of bonds upon the property benefited by local improvements in cities, to pay the cost and expenses thereof, the levying and collection of assessments upon such property to pay said bonds, repealing an act entitled "An act relating to internal improvements in cities, authorizing the issuance and collection of bonds upon the property benefited by local improvements, and declaring an emergency," approved March 9, 1893, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Cities of the First Class.

House bill No. 569, by Mr. Thacker (by request): An act in regard to persons, companies or corporations furnishing water, gas or electric lights to cities or towns or to the inhabitants thereof, and defining the duties of city and town councils.

Referred to Committee on Municipal Corporations.

House bill No. 570, by Mr. Wolf: An act to amend sections two (2) and nine (9) of an act entitled "An act creating and providing for the enforcement of liens for labor and material," approved February 21, 1893.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 571, by Mr. Scott: An act relating to irrigation, irrigation companies, and creating liens upon crops, stock, etc., for non-payment of assessment and for use of water.

Referred to Committee on Water, Water Rights and Irrigation.

House bill No. 572, by Mr. Hodgdon: An act relating to public
moneys paid to city treasurers, county treasurers and county clerks, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.

House bill No. 573, by Mr. Day: An act to amend sections 3 and 6 of an act of the legislature of the State of Washington, approved February 20, 1890, entitled "An act for the appointment of a fish commission and defining its duties, and declaring an emergency to exist."

Referred to Committee on Fisheries and Game.

House bill No. 574, by Mr. Powell: An act defining the crime of manslaughter, and fixing the penalty therefor, and repealing sections 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 of volume 2 of Hill's Criminal Code of the State of Washington.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 575, by Mr. Mathiot (by request): An act relating to qualifications and compensation of county commissioners; to amend sections 1 and 2 of an act entitled "An act relating to the qualifications and compensation of county commissioners," approved March 9, 1893, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.

House bill No. 576, by Mr. Rader: An act to amend section 2931 of volume 1 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington, relating to the classification of public printing, and the rates to be paid therefor.

Referred to Committee on Printing and Supplies.

House bill No. 577, by Mr. Powell: An act relating to the transfer of the trial of causes from one judge of the superior court to another judge of the superior court.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 578, by Mr. F. R. Baker: An act to amend section 293, chapter 4, volume 2, of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 579, by Mr. Merrifield: An act regulating the drainage of agricultural and farm land.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

House bill No. 580, by Mr. Merrifield: An act to improve the drainage of county roads.
Referred to Committee on Dykes and Drainage.
House bill No. 581, by Mr. Williams: An act in relation to the trial by the court of issue of facts in certain civil actions.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.
House bill No. 582, by Mr. Struve: An act for the relief of persons furnishing labor and material for the construction of the foundation of the state capitol building.
Referred to Committee on State Buildings, Public Grounds and Libraries.
Senate engrossed memorial No. 4, by Senator High, to the congress of the United States.
Referred to Committee on Agriculture.
Senate bill No. 69, by Senator Houghton: An act for the relief of the widow of H. C. Ashenfelter, deceased.
Referred to Committee on Claims and Auditing.
Senate bill No. 200, by Committee on Judiciary: An act to amend section 293 of volume 2 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, relating to attachments.
On motion, the bill was placed on the calendar.
The chair appointed as conference committee on House bill No. 17, Messrs. Rader, Guie, and S. W. Baker.

SECOND READING OF BILLS.
House bill No. 358 was ordered read.
Moved by Mr. Freeman, that the reading of the bill be dispensed with, and the bill be indefinitely postponed.
On motion, the House adjourned at 12:15 o'clock p.m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House was called to order by Speaker Cline at 2 o'clock p.m. A quorum being present, the House considered further the motion of Mr. Freeman to indefinitely postpone House bill No. 358. The previous question was ordered.
On vote, the motion to indefinitely postpone was carried: Ayes 36, noes 35, absent or not voting 7.
Levin, Lusher, Marshall, Mathiot, Merrifield, Moore, Parker, Rader, Ross, Smith C., Struve, Thacker, Tobiassen, Warner, Williams, Winsor, Witt, Windust, and Mr. Speaker—36.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Clapp, Gilkey, Jory, Libby, Likins, Powell, and Richmond—7.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE BUILDINGS, PUBLIC GROUNDS AND LIBRARIES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 18, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on State Buildings, Public Grounds and Libraries, to whom was referred House bill No. 321, entitled "An act providing for the distribution of the public documents of the State of Washington," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

DAVID MITCHELL, Chairman.
V. R. PIERSO.
HENRY CARR.
JOHN L. CANUTT.
J. O. EDWARDS.

On motion, the bill was advanced to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIDE LANDS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 18, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Tide Lands, to whom was referred House bill No. 257, entitled "An act providing for the correction and revision of a portion of the plat of Seattle tide lands and an appraisement of the lots in the portion so revised and corrected, authorizing and prescribing the manner of re-adjustment of existing rights in accordance therewith, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

GEO. B. KITTINGER, Chairman.
JOHN FORBES.
J. B. JOHNSTON.
E. L. KOEHLER.
A. S. BUSH.
J. Z. NELSON.
Amendment by Mr. Williams: Strike out section 6 and insert the following: "An emergency exists, and this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Warner: Amend section 1, in line 1, strike out the words "board of state land commissioners," and insert the words "the state land commissioner."

The amendment was lost.

Mr. Williams moved that the rules be suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

Mr. Geraghty moved to lay the motion on the table.

The motion was lost.

On vote, the motion to suspend the rules was carried.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 67, noes 2, absent or not voting 9.


On vote, the emergency clause was passed: Ayes 68, noes 3, absent or not voting 7.

Thacker, Tobiassen, Warner, Williams, Winsor, Way, Witt, Windust, and Mr. Speaker—68.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Freeman, Gerry, Levin, Nelson, Phelps, Richmond, and Wilkeson—7.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

On motion, the rules were suspended, and the bill transferred to the Senate.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS:

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 97, entitled "An act in relation to, and to prevent the introduction or spread of disease among sheep, and repealing 'An act in relation to, and to prevent the introduction or spread of disease among sheep,' approved February 2, 1888, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.


In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIDE LANDS.

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Wash., February 18, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Tide Lands, to whom was referred House bill No. 262, entitled "An act providing for the cancellation of applications, contracts or deeds heretofore received or made for certain portions of the tide lands in the harbors of cities of the first class, prescribing the conditions under which the same may hereafter be disposed of, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives with the recommendation that it do pass.


We concur in this report: John Forbes.

J. B. Johnson.

E. L. Kohler.

A. S. Bush.

J. Z. Nelson.

Amendment by Mr. Williams: Strike out section 2, and insert "Sec. 2. An emergency exists, and this act shall take effect immediately."

On vote, the amendment was carried.
Amendment by Mr. Williams: Insert as a new section, "Sec. 2. The powers hereby conferred and duties imposed upon the board of state land commissioners shall be possessed and exercised by any other board or officer who may hereafter succeed to the jurisdiction and powers in respect to tide lands now possessed by the state board of land commissioners."

On vote, the amendment was carried.

Amendment by Mr. Williams: Change "Sec. 2" to "Sec. 3."

On vote, the amendment was carried.

On motion of Mr. Williams, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 70, noes 0, absent or not voting 8.


Noes: None.


The emergency clause passed: Ayes 70, noes 0, absent or not voting 8.

Warner, Williams, Winsor, Wilkeson, Way, Witt, Wolf, Windust, and Mr. Speaker—70.

Noes: None.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

On motion, the rules were suspended and the bill transmitted to the Senate.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

STATE OF WASHINGTON, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
OLYMPIA, February 25, 1897.

Speaker of the House of Representatives, Olympia, Washington:

Sir—Governor Rogers has this day approved House bill No. 13, amending section 23 of an act in relation to garnishments, approved March 8, 1893.

Very respectfully, J. E. BALLAINE, Private Secretary.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 25, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed Senate memorial No. 9, favoring pension bill No. 2281, and, by order of the Senate, the same is herewith immediately transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 262, entitled "An act providing for the cancellation of applications, contracts or deeds heretofore received or made for certain portions of the tide lands in the harbors of cities of the first class; prescribing the conditions under which the same may hereafter be disposed of, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted, H. D. JORY, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIDE LANDS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 18, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Tide Lands, to whom was referred House bill No. 162, entitled "An act to secure to the public the continued use of
natural oyster beds," have had the same under consideration, and we respect fully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted. GEO. B. KITTINGER, Chairman.

We concur in this report: JOHN FORBES; J. B. JOHNSTON; A. S. BUSH; J. Z. NELSON.

I do not concur: E. L. KOEHLER.

Moved by Mr. Koehler, that House bill No. 162 be indefinitely postponed.

On vote, the motion was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Warner: In section 1, line 1, strike out, after the word "appoint," the words "in and for the county of Pacific," and insert the words "upon petition of the county commissioners of any county."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Koehler: In section 3, line 4, after the word "county," insert the words "at the expense of the applicant."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Warner: Strike out section 23.

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. A. S. Bush: Add section to be known as section 23—"Sec. 23. An emergency exists, and this act shall take effect immediately."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Day: In section 1, lines 4 and 5, strike out all after the period in line 3, commencing with "they."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Way: In line 1, section 6, change "commission" to "commissioner of public lands."

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was passed to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMPENSATION AND FEES OF STATE AND COUNTY OFFICERS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 19, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers, to whom was referred House bill No. 371, entitled "An act to fix the fees to be collected by the secretary of the state, in relation to corpo-
rations, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consid­
eration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of
Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.
Respectfully submitted.

C. A. MENTZER, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

W. L. FREEMAN.

A. MATHIOT.

LEWIS LINDSTROM.

C. S. BARLOW.

HANS HANSEN.

GEO. M. WITT.

Amendment by Mr. Warner: Between sections 2 and 3 insert a
new section, as follows: "Every corporation doing business in the
State of Washington shall pay an annual license fee of ten dollars
($10), on the first day of April of each year, to the state treasurer."

Amendment to amendment by Mr. Way: Strike out the words
"ten dollars," and insert the words "ten cents for each $1,000 of
capital stock."

The amendment was ruled out as not german.

Amendment by Mr. Ross: Strike out section 6 and insert there­
for, "Sec. 6. An emergency exists, and this act shall take effect
immediately."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Johnston: In line 4, section 1, insert, after
the word "thereof," the words "over one hundred thousand dol­
ars."

The amendment was lost.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the rules were suspended, the
second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed,
and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 63, noes 4, absent or not
voting 11.

Ayes: Messrs. Ames, Baker F. R., Baker S. W., Barlow, Bush
A. S., Bush C. P., Canutt, Carr, Caywood, Conine, Couch, Day,
de Mattos, Edwards J. M., Edwards J. O., Freeman, Fritz, Forbes,
Guie, Gerry, Gilkey, Hagedorn, Hansen, Hargrave, Hicks, Hodg­
don, Hooper, Irvin, Jory, Kincaid, Kittinger, Koehler, Land,
Levin, Likins, Lindstrom, Lusher, Marshall, Mathiot, Mentzer,
Merrifield, Mitchell, Mohundro, McAtee, Nelson, Parker, Pierson,
Rader, Ross, Scott, Smith C., Smith J. B., Stuhman, Struve,
Thacker, Tobiassen, Warner, Williams, Wilkeson, Winsor, Witt,
Windust, and Mr. Speaker — 63.
STATE OF WASHINGTON.


On vote, the emergency clause passed: Ayes 63, noes 4, absent or not voting 11.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

On motion of Mr. A. S. Bush, the rules were suspended, and the bill transmitted to the Senate.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 25, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has indefinitely postponed House memorial No. 6, "A memorial addressed to congress in regard to Indian wars, etc.," and the same is herewith transmitted.
DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 25, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed House bill No. 97, entitled "An act relative to diseases of sheep, etc.," and the same is herewith returned.
R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 25, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed House bill No. 114, entitled "An act allowing married women to act as administratrix or executrix of
estates of deceased persons, and declaring an emergency," and the same
is herewith transmitted.

Dudley Eshelman, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CITIES OF FIRST CLASS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Olympia, Wash., February 18, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Cities of First Class, to whom was referred
House bill No. 414, entitled "An act providing for the assessment and
collection of the cost of improving street intersections forming a part of
any local improvement in any incorporated city or town, upon the prop­
erty included in the district established for the payment of the cost of
such local improvement, and declaring an emergency," have had the
same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to
the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

J. H. Ross, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

John Forbes.

J. M. Geraghty.

Solon T. Williams.

Geo. B. Kittinger.

Amendment by Mr. Ross: In section 2 add, "Provided further,
That all improvements of the character authorized in this act shall
not be initiated or ordered by the legislative body of any city or
town except in accordance with the procedure required by the
charter of said city governing the initiation of local improvements
in such city or town."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Way: In section 3, strike out "all" and in­
sert "an emergency exists and this act shall take effect imme­
diately."

The amendment was adopted.

Moved by Mr. Kittinger, that the rules be suspended, the second
reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and
placed on its final passage.

The motion was lost.

Moved by Mr. Warner, that the bill be indefinitely postponed.
The motion was lost.

Amendments by Mr. Ross: In section 1, line 2, strike out the
words "or town" and insert the words "of the first class;"

In section 2, lines 3 and 5, strike out the words "or town" and
insert the words "of the first class."

The amendments were adopted.

The bill was engrossed and passed to third reading.
MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Cities of the First Class, to whom was referred House bill No. 413, entitled "An act providing for the construction, maintenance and renewal of bulkheads or retaining walls upon or along streets in incorporated cities and towns, and providing for the assessment and collection of the cost thereof upon local districts benefited thereby, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

J. H. Ross, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

John Forbes.

J. M. Geraghty.

Solon T. Williams.

Geo. B. Kittinger.

Amendment by Mr. Ross: In section 2, add "Provided further, that all improvements of the character authorized in this act shall not be initiated or ordered by the legislative body in any cities or towns, except in accordance with the procedure required by the charter of said city governing the initiation of local improvements in such city or town."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Kittinger: In section 1, line 3, strike out the words "or town," and insert the words "cities of the first class."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Way: Strike out section 4, and insert the words "An emergency exists, and this act shall take effect immediately on its approval by the governor."

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was passed to third reading.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON CITIES OF THE FIRST CLASS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 18, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Cities of the First Class, to whom was referred House bill No. 412, entitled "An act authorizing boards of county commissioners to expend a part of any road or bridge tax upon main highways within the limits of incorporated cities and towns within their respective counties, and declaring an emergency," have had the same
under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

J. H. Ross, Chairman.

John Forbes.

J. M. Geraghty.

Solon T. Williams.

Geo. B. Kittinger.

Moved by Mr. Witt, that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

The previous question was ordered.

On vote, the motion to indefinitely postpone was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Way: Add to section 1, "Provided, That no such expenditure shall exceed the proportion of the tax collected within any city where such improvements are made."

Amendment to amendment by Mr. Witt: Insert the words and figures "make amount 10 per cent."

The amendment was carried.

On vote, the amended amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Gilkey: In line 2, section 1, strike out the word "directed" and insert the word "and."

The bill passed to third reading.

Moved by Mr. Lusher, that House bill No. 472 be made a special order for Saturday at 10:30 o'clock A. M.

Amended to read "Saturday evening at 7:30 o'clock P. M."

Amendment to amendment to read, "Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock P. M."

On motion, the bill was made a special order for Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock P. M.

Moved by Mr. Phelps, that we now adjourn.

The motion was lost.

Moved by Mr. Marshall, to make House bill No. 126 a special order for 10:30 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

Amended to read "that it be made a special order for 8 o'clock P. M."

The amended motion was lost.

The original motion was lost.

Moved by Mr. Warner, that we now adjourn.

The motion was lost.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Roads and Bridges, to whom was referred House bill No. 459, entitled "An act providing for a state wagon road,
beginning at a point on the Columbia river opposite the town of Marcus, Stevens county; thence following the state road as near as practicable as at present laid out to a point on the east bank of the Methow river opposite the mouth of the Twisp river; thence over and across the summit of the Cascade mountains on the line as already laid out and established to a point on the west bank of the Skagit river, and connecting with the present county road at or near Marble Mount, in Skagit county, and making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

F. I. Phelps, Chairman.
C. E. Mohundro.
Geo. Windust.
J. D. Hagadorn.
Henry Carr.
A. S. Bush.
C. J. Moore.
J. C. Kincaid.

Moved we do now adjourn.
The motion was lost.
Moved that the rules be suspended, and the bill be indefinitely postponed.
The motion was lost.
On motion, the House adjourned at 5:20 o'clock P. M.

S. P. Carusi, Chief Clerk.

FORTY-SEVENTH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Washington, Friday, February 26, 1897.
10 o'clock A. M.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House convened at 10 o'clock A. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.
Prayer was offered by the Rev. J. L. Thompson, of the Presbyterian Church.
The roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names.
Moved by Mr. Moore, that further reading of the journal be dis­pensed with.

The motion was lost.

The journal of the preceding day was read, corrected and ap­proved.

A petition by Mr. Speaker, from citizens of Tacoma, praying for the passage of House bill No. 65, relating to payment of wages in money, was read.

Referred to Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics.

Amendment to House rule 44, by Mr. Ross: Strike out the last two words of the rule.

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 414, entitled “An act provid­ing for the assessment and collection of the cost of improving of street intersections forming a part of any local improvement in any incor­porated city of the first class, upon the property included in the district established for the payment of the costs of such local improvement, and declaring an emergency,” has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 462, entitled “An act to secure to the public the continued use of natural oyster beds, and declaring an emergency,” has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. H. D. JORY, Chairman.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 413, entitled “An act providing for the construction, maintenance and renewal of bulkheads or retaining walls, upon or along streets in incorporated cities and towns, and pro­viding for the assessment and collection of the cost thereof upon local districts benefited thereby, and declaring an emergency,” has been care­fully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly en­grossed.

Respectfully submitted. L. E. RADER, Acting Chairman.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 412, entitled “An act autho-
izing boards of county commissioners to expend a part of any road or bridge tax upon main highways within the limits of cities and towns within their respective counties, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted.  

L. E. RADER, Acting Chairman.

Moved by Mr. J. M. Edwards, that the vote whereby House bill No. 358 was indefinitely postponed be reconsidered.

On vote the motion to indefinitely postpone was lost: Ayes 30, noes 46, absent or not voting 2.


The following resolution was introduced by Mr. H. D. Smith:

Resolved, That S. P. Carusi, chief clerk, be authorized to have the copy of the House Journal prepared for the printer, and a suitable index likewise prepared, and that he be allowed for said work the amount allowed for that purpose in the general appropriation bill. The state auditor to issue a warrant for one-half the amount when the printer's receipt for the copy is filed in his office, and the balance when the state printer shall certify that the reading of proof on the journal and index has been completed, and the same found to be correct.

On motion, the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Williams was called to the chair at 10:40 o'clock A. m.

The Committee on Revenue and Taxation, was instructed to report on House bill No. 320.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE AND CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Mileage and Contingent Expenses, to whom referred account of Mrs. S. E. Barr, for reporting and transcribing,
have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be allowed in the sum of $170.00.

Respectfully submitted. J. G. Fritz, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

LEWIS LINDSTROM.
L. E. RADER.
R. W. CAYWOOD.
J. PARKER.

On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

House bill No. 483 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 435 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 469 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 488 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 514 was reported back from the committee without recommendation.

Senate bill No. 59 was reported back from the committee without recommendation.

House bill No. 366 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that substitute bill No. 372 do pass.

House bill No. 393 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 497 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 500 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 522 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 518 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 441 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 247 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 460 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.
House bill No. 456 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 396 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 350 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 455 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 461 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 534 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass.

House bills Nos. 144, 304 and 382 were reported back from the committee with the recommendation that minority substitute bill No. 144 do pass as amended.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced, read first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees:

House bill No. 584, by Mr. Phelps: An act fixing the fees to be collected by sheriffs.

Referred to Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.

House bill No. 585, by Mr. Rader: To provide for the immediate publication of the laws of the State of Washington, enacted during the regular legislative session of 1897, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Printing and Supplies.

House bill No. 586, by Mr. Thacker: An act in relation to the manner of execution of the death penalty upon persons convicted of capital offenses.

Referred to Committee on Public Morals.

House bill No. 587, by Mr. Couch (by request): An act to regulate the profession of public accountant, and the practice thereof.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 588, by Mr. Marshall: An act for the relief of Louisa Croy.

Referred to Committee on State Buildings, Public Grounds and Libraries.

House bill No. 589, by Mr. Guie: An act to amend section 20 of chapter 56 of the Laws of 1893, relating to garnishments.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.
House concurrent resolution No. 23, by Mr. Lusher: Relating to publication of Session Laws.
Referred to Committee on State Buildings, Public Grounds and Libraries.
Senate memorial No. 9, by Memorial Committee: Favoring pension bill No. 2281, now pending in the congress of the United States.
Referred to Committee on Memorials.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WATER, WATER RIGHTS AND IRRIGATION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., January 29, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, a majority of your Committee on Water, Water Rights and Irrigation, to whom was referred House bill No. 75, entitled "An act amending an act entitled 'An act accepting the terms of the act of congress, approved August 18, 1894, providing for the reclamation, settlement and disposition of the one million acres of arid land granted therein, making appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency,' providing for an irrigation commissioner, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows:

In section 12, line 3 of printed bill strike out the word "two," and insert the word "one" in its place.
In section 14, line 3, strike out the word "two," and insert the word "one" in its place.
In section 17, line 1, strike out the word "fifteen," and insert the word "twelve" in its place. In line 3 of section 17, strike out the word "of," and insert in its place the words "not exceeding," and in line 4 of said section strike out the word "of," and insert the words "not exceeding" in its place.
In section 19, line 2, after the word "dollars," insert the words "or so much thereof as is necessary."

We recommend that the bill do pass as herein amended.
Respectfully submitted.
ROBT. GERRY, Chairman.
C. P. BUSH.
HENRY CARR.
HERON STAFFORD.
H. D. JORY.

MINORITY REPORT.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 2, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, a minority of your Committee on Water, Water Rights and Irrigation, to whom was referred House bill No. 75, entitled "An act amending
an act entitled 'An act accepting the terms of the act of congress approved August 18, 1894, providing for the reclamation, settlement and disposition of the one million acres of arid land granted therein, making appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency,' providing for an irrigation commissioner, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the request that your committee be allowed three more days in which to consider this bill.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN L. CANUTT.
JOHN B. JOHNSTON.

Mr. Williams moved that the rules be suspended, and that we take up the bill on third reading.

The motion was lost.

SECOND READING OF BILLS.

Mr. Ross moved that the rules be suspended, and House bills No. 75, No. 108, No. 420 and No. 508 be considered read second time.

The motion was carried.

Mr. Williams moved that House bill No. 75 be indefinitely postponed.

On vote, the motion to postpone was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Warner, substitute for committee's amendment: In section 19, line 2, after the word "dollars," insert the words "out of the arid land fund only, to be paid in state irrigation warrants."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Warner: In section 19, add the following proviso: "Provided, That the money used from general fund shall be returned to general fund out of arid land fund, when the money is sufficient to pay the money borrowed."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Williams: Add to section 23, "That no land shall be permitted to have the use of water from any ditch built under the provisions of this act, except land belonging to the State of Washington, until the owner or owners thereof shall have paid out to the irrigation fund the sum of $10 per acre for water rights.

Amendment to amendment by Mr. C. P. Bush: Raise the amount to "$10 per acre."

The amendment was adopted.

On vote, the amended amendment was adopted.
Amendment by Mr. Rader: In section 19, line 2, strike out the word "eighteen," and insert the word "twelve."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Johnston: In section 5, line 1, strike out the words "whenever funds are provided and are in the state treasury to pay the expense of irrigating said lands, or any part thereof."

The amendment was lost.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

STATE OF WASHINGTON, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
OLYMPIA, February 26, 1897.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the State of Washington,
House Chamber, Olympia, Washington:

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to inform you that I am this day in receipt of a telegram from G. M. Hitchcock, president of the Trans-Mississippi Exposition at Omaha, saying: "The Trans-Mississippi Exposition delegation would like to appear before the joint session of the Washington legislature Friday evening, if possible. We have already met the legislatures of six states."

Very respectfully,

John R. Rogers, Governor.

House joint resolution No. 24, by Mr. Roberts, relating to visit of "Trans-Mississippi Exposition," was read.

On motion of Mr. Roberts, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the resolution considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the resolution was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


On vote, the House adjourned at 12:15 o'clock p. m.
AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House convened at 2 o'clock p. m.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

A quorum being present, the House resumed discussion on House bill No. 75.

Mr. C. P. Bush moved that the rules be suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the motion was lost.

The bill was passed to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WATER, WATER RIGHTS AND IRRIGATION.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Water, Water Rights and Irrigation, to whom was referred House bill No. 108, entitled "An act to provide ways and means to irrigate the arid lands of this state by the issue of non-interest bearing warrants and interest bearing bonds, and providing for the appropriation and expenditure of one million five hundred thousand dollars for the purposes of irrigation, and providing for the sale of one-half of the land so irrigated." have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: Insert after the word "warrants," in line 7 of section 10 (in printed bill), "And provided, That said warrants and bonds shall never be a lien upon any of said land purchased and paid for under the provisions of this act." That the bill do pass as amended.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

ROBT. GERRY, Chairman.

C. P. BUSH.

HENRY CARR.

THERON STAFFORD.

H. D. JORY.

The bill was advanced to third reading.

House bill No. 340 was taken up for consideration.

Amendment by Mr. Johnston: In section —, after line 8, insert the following:

IRRIGATION DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON.

I, ............, commissioner of irrigation, do hereby certify that ............ is entitled to ............ dollars' worth of water rights under irrigation system No. ........

Given under my hand this ....... day of ...........

Commissioner of Irrigation.
Mr. Jory moved to lay the amendment on the table.
The motion was carried.
It was so ordered, and the bill laid on the table.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 508, entitled "An act to repeal sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of chapter 166 of the Session Laws of 1895, being an act entitled 'An act accepting of the grant of arid lands, and authorizing the disposal thereof,'" have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives without recommendation.

Respectfully submitted.

S. T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

J. B. JOHNSTON.
E. W. WAY.
W. H. THACKER.
L. E. RADER.
H. D. SMITH.
A. D. WARNER.
J. P. DE MATTOS.
J. M. GERAGHTY.
W. B. ROBERTS.

On motion, the bill was laid on the table.

House bill No. 459 was read the second time.

Amendment by Mr. Wilkeson: In line 20, section 2, after the word "county," insert the words "one of Okanogan county, and one of Skagit county."
The amendment was adopted.
The bill was passed to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOSPITALS FOR THE INSANE.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Hospitals for the Insane, to whom was referred House bill No. 387, entitled "An act to amend section 1266 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington, relating to removal of inmates of hospitals for the insane by friends and relatives," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

R. W. CAYWOOD, Chairman.
C. A. MENTZER.
C. E. MOHUNDO.
S. W. BAKER.
B. F. DAY.
DAVID MITCHELL.
CLEVELAND SMITH.
J. B. LIBBY.

We concur in this report:
Amendment by Mr. Tobiassen: After the figures "1256" insert the word and figure "volume 1," in the first line.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was passed to its third reading.

Mr. Johnston was excused for the session.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMORIALS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., FEBRUARY 19, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Memorials, to whom was referred House memorial No. 13, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

GEORGE WINDUST, Chairman.

C. J. MOORE.

H. D. SMITH.

A. MATHIOT.

HANS HANSEN.

SOLON T. WILLIAMS.

F. R. BAKER.

On motion of Mr. Canutt, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the memorial considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage, and the clerk instructed to cast the vote of the House.

The motion was carried.

On vote, the memorial was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND BRIDGES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., FEBRUARY 19, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Roads and Bridges, to whom was referred House bill No. 485, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a state road along the bank of the Columbia river from the town of Wenatchee, in Kittitas county; thence northerly on the west bank of the said Columbia river via the bridge of the said Wenatchee river, to the mouth of the Methow river; thence along the west bank of the Methow river to the mouth of the Twisp river, in the county of Okanogan," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

F. I. PHELPS, Chairman.
C. E. MOHUNDR0.
GEO. WINDUST.
J. D. HAGADORN.
HENRY CARR.
A. S. BUSH.
C. J. MOORE.
J. C. KINCAID.

Amendment by Mr. Carr: In section 15, line 1, strike out all the words preceding "commissioners," and in line 3, all the words preceding "shall."

The bill was passed to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WATER, WATER RIGHTS AND IRRIGATION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., FEBRUARY 19, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Water, Water Rights and Irrigation, to whom was referred House bill No. 248, entitled "An act to amend an amendment to 'An act providing for the organization and government of irrigation districts, and the sale of bonds arising therefrom, and declaring an emergency,' the same being section 2, approved March 22, 1895, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

ROBT. GERRY, Chairman.
C. P. BUSH.
HENRY CARR.
JOHN L. CANUTT.
J. B. JOHNSTON.
Amendment by Mr. Scott: In lines 73 and 74, insert "Sec. 2."
The bill was passed to third reading.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 26, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has indefinitely postponed House memorial No. 2, providing for the election of United States senator by a direct vote of the people, and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 26, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 162 (substitute for House bill No. 111), entitled "An act to permit farmers, gardeners and manufacturers to dispose of the products of their labor," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 26, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 86, entitled "An act relative to the manufacture of jute and other fabrics, and brick, at the state penitentiary," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 26, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed House bill No. 262, entitled "An act relating to tide lands." The word "bill" in emergency clause is stricken and the word "act" is inserted, and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 26, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has indefinitely postponed House memorial No. 11, relating to Puyallup Indian reservation, and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 26, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has indefinitely postponed House bill No. 240, entitled "An act relating to trespasses by sheep," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.
Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed Senate memorial No. 8, relating to election of United States senator by direct vote of the people, and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed House bill No. 257, entitled "An act relating to Seattle tide lands," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed Senate memorial No. 9, relating to pensions of Indian war survivors, and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC MORALS.

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Wash., February 19, 1897.

We, your Committee on Public Morals, to whom was referred House bill No. 439, entitled "An act to amend sections 1, 2, 4 and 5 of an act entitled 'An act for the prevention of cruelty to children, animals, fowls and birds, and providing punishment therefor,' approved February 23, 1898," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

J. C. Contine, Chairman.
Hans Hansen.
D. R. Lusher.

Amendment by Mr. Marshall: In line 17, section 4, strike out all of the words after the word "exhibition."
The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Koehler: In section 2, line 10, strike out the words "or upon a vehicle."
The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. F. R. Baker: In section 2, line 1 (printed bill), strike out the words "of which this act is amendatory."
The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Warner: In line 3, section 2, strike out the word "kills," after the words "or willfully or maliciously."
The amendment was lost.
Amendment by Mr. F. R. Baker: Insert the word “maliciously.”
   The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Land: In section 4, line 22, strike out the words “such society,” and insert the words “school fund of the county wherein such misdemeanor was committed.”
   The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Witt: In line 8, section 2, strike out the words “shelters or protection from the weather.”
   Moved by Mr. Land, to lay the amendment on the table.
   On vote, the amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Mohundro: In section 3, line 15, strike out all words after the word “dollars.”
   The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Mitchell: In section 2, line 13, change the words “one year,” to the figure and word “3 months;” and strike out the words “two hundred and,” in line 14.
   The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Gerry: In section 4, line 20, insert between the word “and,” and the word “all,” the words “one-half of;” after comma (,) before “society,” the last word of section 4, “the other half to refer to common school fund of the county.”
   The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Warner: In section 2, line 11, after the word “manner,” change the word “or,” to “and,” and change the word “and,” between the words “knowingly and willfully,” to the word “or.”
   The amendment was carried.

On motion of Mr. Conine, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 63, noes 8, absent or not voting 7.

M., Stuhrman, Thacker, Tobiassen, Warner, Williams, Winsor, Way, Wolf, and Mr. Speaker — 63.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Hargrave, Johnston, Jory, Kittinger, Nelson, Struve, and Wilkeson — 7.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RAILROADS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 15, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred House bill No. 126, entitled "A bill for an act entitled ‘An act for the relief of the Ilwaco Railway and Navigation Company and granting to said company the right to construct, equip, maintain and operate its railroad over and upon certain tide lands in front of the town of Ilwaco, Pacific county, Washington, and declaring an emergency,’” have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows:

Strike out the words “A bill for an act entitled,” in the title of said bill.
Insert the words “and wharf,” after the word “railroad,” in line 2 of the title.
Strike out the three paragraphs in the preamble, each commencing with the word “whereas.”
Strike out the word “their,” in line 1 of section 1, and substitute the word “its” therefor. Insert the words “and wharf” between the words “railroad” and “where,” in line 5 of section 1. Change “is” to “are” in section 1. After the word “Ilwaco,” in line 14 of section 1, being the last word in said section, insert the following: “Provided, That if the said Ilwaco Railway and Navigation Company, its successors or assigns, shall cease to maintain and operate its railroad, and maintain its wharf, then, in that event, the rights and privileges granted under this act shall cease.”

That the bill pass as amended.
Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

JOHN L. CANUTT, Chairman.
CHARLES H. WOLF.
GEO. M. WITT.
J. P. DE MATTOS.
J. C. KINCAID.
C. E. MOHUNDO.
J. H. MARSHALL.
W. B. ROBERTS.
J. G. FRITZ.
J. B. SMITH.
THERON STAFFORD.
MILES T. HOOPER.
On motion, the report was adopted.
Moved by Mr. Hargrave, that the bill be indefinitely postponed.
The previous question was ordered.
On vote, the motion to indefinitely postpone was lost.
On motion of Mr. Hooper, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.
On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 54, noes 19, absent or not voting 5.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker G. H., Caywood, Guie, Johnston, and Powell — 5.

On vote, the emergency clause was lost: Ayes 38, noes 34, absent or not voting 6.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

On motion of Mr. Hooper, the rules were suspended, and the bill ordered transmitted to the Senate immediately.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINES AND MINING.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., FEBRUARY 13, 1897:

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Mines and Mining, to whom was referred House bill No. 302, entitled "An act to regulate the leasing of mineral lands belonging to the State of Washington, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: In section 4 of printed bill, line 3, after the last word "mines," add the following sentence or additional line, "and for no other purposes;" in section 5, line 4, after the word "no" in the proviso, insert the words "more than five tons of;" in same line, strike out the word "excepting;" also, in same line, after the word "assaying," insert the words "or testing;" and as so amended said bill do pass.

Respectfully submitted.
HENRY CARR, Chairman.
C. J. MOORE.
J. O. EDWARDS.
J. G. FRITZ.
J. C. KINCAID.
FRANK WILKESON.
S. W. BAKER.
F. I. PHELPS.
J. H. MARSHALL.
CHARLES H. WOLF.

Amendment by Mr. Warner: In section 1, line 1, strike out the words "of the land office," and insert the words "public lands."

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was ordered engrossed, and passed to third reading.

Miss May Jory was sworn in as assistant enrolling clerk by Speaker Cline.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COUNTIES AND COUNTY BOUNDARIES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., JANUARY 21, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Counties and County Boundaries, to whom was referred House bill No. 56, entitled "An act to amend section 13, chapter 162, of the Session Laws of the State of Washington for the year 1895, pertaining to the time of electing road supervisors, and repealing all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of
Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass with the following amendments: In line 6 of section 1 of printed bill strike out the words "at the hour," and insert the words "between the hours," and after the word "P. M." insert the words "and 4 P. M." In line 7 strike out the words "last Saturday in November" in each instance, and substitute the words "first Saturday in June."

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

A. S. BUSH, Chairman.
C. A. MENTZER.
JOHN HARGRAVE.
F. I. PHELPS.
J. D. HAGADORN.
A. MATHIOT.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Gerry: Strike out all of section 2.

On vote, the amendment was lost.

On vote, the motion to reconsider the vote by which the amendment to strike out section 2 was lost, was carried.

On motion of Mr. Powell, a call of the House was ordered.

The following members were noted absent: Messrs. Canutt, Co nine, Kittinger, Levin, Libby, Mitchell, Roberts, Scott, and Struve.

The sergeant-at-arms was instructed by the speaker to bring the absentees before the bar of the House.

Mr. Merrifield was, on his own motion, appointed assistant sergeant-at-arms.

The speaker appointed Messrs. Warner and Rader as assistants to the sergeant-at-arms.

The recalcitrant members were brought before the bar of the House by the sergeant-at-arms.

Moved by Mr. Ross, that further proceedings under the call of House be dispensed with.

The motion was carried.

Substitute to committee's amendment by Mr. Witt: In section 1, line 7, strike out the words "the last Saturday in November," and insert the words "a day to be fixed by the county commissioners of each county;" also, strike out the words "the last Saturday in November" in same line and section.

The amendments were adopted.

On motion of Mr. Lindstrom, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 73, noes 0, absent or not voting 5.

Ayes: Messrs. Ames, Baker F. R., Baker G. H., Baker S. W.,
Noes: None.
There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

STATE OF WASHINGTON, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.
OLYMPIA, February 26, 1897.

Speaker of the House of Representatives, House Chamber, Olympia, Wash.:
Sir—Governor Rogers has this day approved House bill No. 114, allowing married women to act as administratrix or executrix of estates of deceased persons, and declaring an emergency; also, House bill No. 97, in relation to and to prevent the introduction or spread of disease among sheep, and repealing "An act in relation to and to prevent the introduction or spread of diseases among sheep," approved February 2, 1888, and declaring an emergency.

Very respectfully,
J. E. BALLAINE, Private Secretary.

The following resolution was introduced by the Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills:

We, your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills, beg leave to submit the following resolution: Resolved, That the sergeant-at-arms be instructed to reserve suitable room on the upper floor of this building for the use of the engrossing and enrolling department, and have the same suitably enclosed for the protection of the property and records of the department. Resolved, further, That the sergeant-at-arms is hereby instructed to procure necessary furniture for the use of the department.

H. D. JORY, Chairman.
L. E. RADER.
D. R. LUSHER.
D. MITCHELL.
A. T. TOBIASSEN.
GEORGE B. KITTINGER.

On motion, the resolution was adopted.
MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Revenue and Taxation, to whom was referred House bill No. 898, entitled "An act to provide for voting on a constitutional amendment at the general election to be held in November, 1898, relative to taxation," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass as amended. Add the following two amendments:

"Sec. 2. The secretary of state shall cause the foregoing amendment to be published for three months next preceding said election, to be held in November, 1898, in some weekly newspaper in each county within this state wherein a newspaper is published.

"Sec. 3. That there shall be printed on each of the ballots supplied for said election, the words: 'For proposed amendment to section 2, article 7, of the constitution, relating to taxation;' 'Against proposed amendment to section 2, article 7, of the constitution, relative to taxation.'"

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

E. W. Way, Chairman.

W. L. Freeman.

A. W. Stuhrman.

A. T. Tobiassen.

C. A. Mentzer.

B. S. Scott.

J. O. Couch.

Geo. B. Kittinger.

B. F. Day.

W. D. Roberts.

S. D. Hicks.

J. C. Conine.

A. D. Warner.

Amendment by Mr. Way: In section 1, in lines 1, 2 and 3, strike out all of the words before "Washington," and insert the following: "There shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the State of Washington, at the next general election, in November, 1898, for their approval or rejection the following amendment to the constitution of the State of Washington, which, when ratified by a majority of those voting thereon, shall be valid as a part of the constitution, to wit: 'Section 2 of article 7 of the constitution of the State of Washington shall be amended so as to read as follows.'"

Also, strike out, in line 10, the words "such municipal corporations," and insert the words "the qualified electors voting thereon."

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Way, the rules were suspended, the second
reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 71, noes 3, absent or not voting 4.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. de Mattos, Johnston, Levin, and Libby—4.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Mr. Roberts moved that a committee of three be appointed to invite the visiting delegation of the Trans-Mississippi Exposition to appear before the House at 7 o'clock p. m.

The motion was carried.

The speaker appointed Messrs. Roberts, Kittinger and Rader, as such committee.

Mr. Roberts was appointed a committee of one to apprise the Senate of the appointment of said committee.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 26, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed House concurrent resolution No. 24, in relation to joint session of the legislature, February 26, at 7 p. m., and the same is herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 126, entitled "An act for the relief of the Ilwaco Railway and Navigation Company, and granting to
said company the right to construct, equip, maintain and operate its railroad and wharf over and upon certain tide lands in front of the town of Ilwaco, Pacific county, Washington, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted.          L. E. RADER, Acting Chairman.

On motion, the House adjourned to 7 o'clock P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

A quorum being present, the House was called to order at 7:25 o'clock P. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

The joint session having been delayed, the House took under consideration House bill No. 472.

It was moved that the House do now resolve itself into a committee of the whole House, for the consideration of House bill No. 472, entitled "An act to establish a general uniform system of public schools in the State of Washington, and repealing chapter 6 of title 4 of Hill's Code, and all amendments thereto; also chapter 7 of title 5 of Hill's Code, and all amendments thereto; also title 10 of Hill's Code, and all amendments thereto; also chapter 4 of title 50 of Hill's Code, and all amendments thereto; also repealing an act entitled 'An act concerning the formation of new school districts, changing the boundaries and transferring territory from one district to another,' approved March 9, 1893; also repealing an act entitled 'An act to provide for the management and control of state normal schools in the State of Washington,' approved March 10, 1893, and all amendments thereto; also repealing an act entitled 'An act granting to school districts the right to purchase school house sites of school lands belonging to the State of Washington of not less than one acre and not more than five acres, and granting to school districts the preference right to purchase such sites, and declaring an emergency,' approved February 26, 1895; also repealing an act entitled 'An act relating to the indebtedness of school districts, providing means and methods for paying and funding the same, and means for validating the same or any part thereof incurred in excess of one and one-half per centum of the taxable property of the school district, without the
assent of three-fifths of the voters of the school district voting at
an election held for that purpose, and declaring that an emergency
exists for the taking effect of this act on its passage and approval
by the governor,' approved March 1, 1895; also repealing an act
entitled 'An act to provide for the formation of joint school dis-
tricts, and to prescribe the minimum number of school children
required for the formation of new school districts, and declaring an
emergency,' approved March 13, 1895; also repealing an act entitled
'An act to authorize counties, cities, towns and school districts to
provide temporary funds for current expenses in anticipation of
revenue,' approved March 20, 1895, and declaring an emergency.'"

The motion was adopted, and the House went into committee of
the whole House, for the consideration of the said bill.

The speaker called Mr. Williams to the chair.
The committee arose at 7:40 o'clock P. M.
The speaker resumed the chair.
The following report was submitted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 26, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your committee of the whole House, to whom was referred House
bill No. 472, An act to establish a general uniform system of public schools
in the State of Washington, and repealing chapter 6 of title 4 of Hill's Code,
and all amendments thereto; also chapter 7 of title 5 of Hill's Code, and
all amendments thereto; also title 10 of Hill's Code, and all amendments
thereto; also chapter 4 of title 50 of Hill's Code, and all amendments
thereto; also repealing an act entitled "An act concerning the formation
of new school districts, changing the boundaries and transferring
territory from one district to another," approved March 9, 1893; also
repealing an act entitled "An act to provide for the management and
control of state normal schools in the State of Washington," approved
March 10, 1893, and all amendments thereto; also repealing an act entitled
"An act granting to school districts the right to purchase school house
sites of school lands belonging to the State of Washington of not less than
one acre and not more than five acres, and granting to school districts
the preference right to purchase such sites, and declaring an emergency,"
approved February 26, 1895; also repealing an act entitled "An act re-
lating to the indebtedness of school districts, providing means and methods
for paying and funding the same, and means for validating the same or
any part thereof incurred in excess of one and one-half per centum of the
taxable property of the school district, without the assent of three-fifths
of the voters of the school district voting at an election held for that pur-
pose, and declaring that an emergency exists for the taking effect of this
act on its passage and approval by the governor," approved March 1, 1895; also repealing an act entitled "An act to provide for the formation of joint school districts, and to prescribe the minimum number of school children required for the formation of new school districts, and declaring an emergency," approved March 13, 1895; also repealing an act entitled "An act to authorize counties, cities, towns and school districts to provide temporary funds for current expenses in anticipation of revenue," approved March 20, 1895, and declaring an emergency, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that the House consider the bill in regular session.

Respectfully submitted.

SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

On motion, the report was adopted.

It was moved to suspend the rules and read the bill by sections. The motion was carried.

Amendments by Mr. Johnston: In line 2, section 1, insert after the words "board of directors" the words "board of education."

The amendment was lost.

In section 2, chapter 3 of title 1, in line 15, insert the word "if" before the word "any."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendments by Mr. Thacker: In line 2, section 4, strike out the word "four" after the word "three" and insert the word "eight."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment to insert the word "nine."

The amendment was lost.

JOINT SESSION.

The Senate was announced by the sergeant-at-arms.

The joint session was called to order by Speaker Cline; Lieutenant Governor Daniels presiding.

The visitors were announced by Chairman Roberts, of the invitation committee.

The roll of the Senate was called by the secretary of the Senate.

On motion of the speaker, the roll call of the House was dispensed with, all members being recorded as present except those excused at the afternoon session.

The chairman introduced Mr. George Wattles, chairman of the visiting delegation; Mr. John L. Webster, of Omaha, member of board of directors of the Trans-Mississippi Exposition; Mr. Clement Chase, editor of the Omaha Excelsior; and Mr. Gilbert M. Hitch-
cock, proprietor of the Omaha World-Herald, who addressed the joint session in relation to the Trans-Mississippi and International Exposition.

On motion of Senator Taylor, the joint session dissolved at 8:45 o'clock P. M.

The speaker resumed the chair.

Moved by Mr. Ross, that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was lost.

Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Powell, a call of the House was ordered.

The following members were noted absent: Messrs. Hansen, Koehler, Libby, McAtee, Richmond, and Struve.

Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, that the call of the House be dispensed with.

The motion was adopted.

Moved, that rule 44 be suspended for the evening.

The motion was carried.

Consideration of House bill No. 472 was resumed.

Amendment by Mr. Warner: In section 3, line 44, strike out the words "one-half" and insert the words "one-fourth."

Substitute amendment by Mr. Ross: In section 3, chapter 2, title 3, strike out all words after the word "state," in line 43, down to and including the word "counties," in line 48, and insert, after the word "apportionment," in line 50, the following proviso: "Provided, That each school shall be credited with a total attendance of at least two thousand days."

The amendment was adopted.

Moved by Mr. Scott, that Professor Hitt be requested to address the House on House bill No. 472.

Moved, to lay the motion on the table.

The motion was lost.

On vote, the motion to suspend the rules, and allow Professor Hitt to address the House on House bill No. 472, was carried.

Whereupon, Professor Hitt availed himself of the privilege thus accorded.

On motion, the House adjourned at 10:25 o'clock P. M.

S. P. CARUSI, Chief Clerk.

CHAS. E. CLINE, Speaker.
STATE OF WASHINGTON.

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FORTY-EIGHTH.DAY.
MORNING SESSION.
HousE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
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OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, Saturday, February 27, 1897.
10 o'clock A. M.
Pursuant to adjournment, the House convened at 10 o'clock
A. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.
The roll was called; all members being present and answering to
their names, except Mr. Libby.
Mr. Day moved that the reading of the journal be dispensed
with.
The motion was lost.
The journal of the preceding day was read in full and approved,
and the reading of the minutes of the joint session was dispensed
with, and approved.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED
BILLS.
MR. SPEAKER:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports
that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 257, entitled "An act providing
for the correction and revision of a portion of the plat of Seattle tide
lands, and an appraisement of the lots in the portion so revised and corrected, authorizing and prescribing the manner of readjustment 9f existing rights in accordance therewith, and declaring an emergency," has
been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.
Respectfully submitted.
L. E. RADER, Acting Chairman.
In open session of the House, the speaker signed the above.
MR. SPEAKER:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports
that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 459, entitled "An act providing
for a state wagon road, beginning at a point on the Columbia river opposite the town of Marcus, Stevens county, thence following the state
road ·as near as practicable as at present laid out to a point on the east
bank of the Methow river opposite the mouth of the Twisp river; thence
over and across the surumit of the Cascade mountains on the line as already laid out and established with the present county road at or near
Marble Mount, in Skagit county, and making an appropriation therefor,


and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. H. D. JORY, Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 302, entitled "An act to regulate the leasing of mineral lands belonging to the State of Washington, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. A. T. TOBIASSEN, Acting Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 108, entitled "An act to provide ways and means to irrigate the arid lands of this state by the issue of non-interest bearing warrants and interest bearing bonds," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. L. E. RADER, Acting Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 398, entitled "An act to provide for voting on a constitutional amendment at the general election to be held in November, 1898, relative to taxation," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House Bill No. 485, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a state road along the bank of the Columbia river, from the town of Wenatchee, in Kittitas county; thence northerly on the west bank of said Columbia river, via the bridge of said Wenatchee river (the same formerly being a ferry) to the mouth of the Methow river; thence along the west bank of the Methow river to the mouth of the Twisp river, in the county of Okanogan," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. H. D. JORY, Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 439, entitled "An act to amend sections 1, 2, 4, and 5 of chapter 27 of the Session Laws of 1893, an act entitled "An act for the prevention of cruelty to children, animals, fowls, and birds, and providing punishment therefor," approved February 23, 1893, has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.
Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 75, entitled "An act amending an act accepting the terms of the act of congress, approved August 18, 1894, providing for the reclamation, settlement and disposition of the one million acres of arid land granted therein, making appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency," providing for an irrigation commissioner, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. L. E. RADER, Acting Chairman.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 56, entitled "An act to amend section 13, chapter 162, of the Session Laws of the State of Washington for the year 1895, pertaining to the time of electing road supervisors, and repealing all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. A. T. TOBIASSEN, Acting Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

STATE OF WASHINGTON, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
OLYMPIA, February 27, 1897.

The Honorable, the House of Representatives of the State of Washington:

Gentlemen—I beg leave to call the attention of your honorable body to a matter of great interest to the people of the State of Washington. This matter is doubtless as well known to your honorable body as to myself, and yet the near approach of the end of the session without action upon it causes me to remind you of the assurances given to the people during the late campaign that relief should be afforded them from unjust railroad charges. In this matter promises most specific were made. These promises must be fulfilled, or this legislature will go down in future records as having failed to carry out most solemn ante-election asseverations. In view of these facts I desire that responsibility be placed where it unquestionably rests, to wit: on the members of this legislature.

It is true that any one can criticize existing conditions, but it is also true that wise and constructive statesmanship is required to propose practical measures which will bring about desired improvements. In the matter of railroad legislation this is most eminently true. Realizing that those who never have given especial attention to railroad matters are unfitted to grapple offhand with problems which have for years staggered the minds of able men, I am led to quote from the work of ex-Governor Larrabee, of Iowa, which he has just sent me. Governor Larrabee was no small part of the movement in his state which led to the repression of previous railroad abuses. I believe we shall do well to listen to his wise and sagacious counsel.
In his chapter on railroads and railroad legislation in Iowa, after tracing the efforts of the legislature of that state to correct long standing abuses through the enactment of maximum rate laws, he tells us that the general assembly, or the greater number of the members, finally realized that the failure of the law to bring the expected relief was not due so much to the imperfections of the law as to the absence of a power to enforce it. He says:

"The writer, with others, was convinced that a strong and conscientious commission would be a much more potent agency to secure reasonable rates for the shipper than a maximum tariff law without proper provisions for its efficient enforcement; they, in short, preferred a commission without a tariff law to a tariff law without a commission. The question became the subject of many animated debates in both houses of the general assembly, but the commissioner system at last prevailed. The act establishing a board of railroad commissioners and defining their duties was approved on the 23d of March, 1878, and went into force a few days later. The act empowered the commission to exercise a general supervision over all railroads operated in the state, to inquire into any neglect or violation of the laws of the state by any railroad corporation or its officers or employes, to examine the books and documents of any corporation, to investigate complaints of shippers that unreasonable charges had been made by railroad companies, and to modify any charge which they might deem unreasonable. It was also made the commissioners' duty to make an annual report to the governor disclosing the working of the railroad system in the state, the officers of each company being required to make annual returns to the board for this purpose.

"Though the enactment of this law was a surprise to the people, they accepted it in good cheer, and determined to give it an honest trial. The law was extensive in its scope and stringent for that time, and, if strictly enforced in letter and in spirit, promised to be, and would have been, entirely sufficient for the thorough control of railroad corporations.

"Nevertheless, in the course of time it became apparent that either the law bad not lodged sufficient authority in the commission or the commission did not make use of the authority which the law had given them. In spite of the commission, the railroad companies maintained pools and charged extortionate and discriminating rates, in direct violation of the law. It is true, the commissioners righted many a wrong. In investigating the complaints of shippers against railroad companies they often rendered valuable services to those who had neither the means nor the inclination to prosecute their rights in the courts of law; but as they held that they could only pass upon individual charges, and did not have the power to revise the companies' tariffs, the companies were virtually in a position to become guilty of more extortions in one day than the commission could investigate in a year."

Governor Larrabee then traces the steps taken by the people of Iowa in remedying the defects of the law then in force, and further says:

"The demand of the people for more equitable rates and a more thorough control of the railroad business increased from year to year. Repeated attempts were made in the general assembly to secure the passage of an act looking to that end, but, owing to shrewd manipulations on the part of the railroad lobby, every attempt was defeated. There always was, of course, a large number of members who represented districts not well supplied with railroad facilities. These, as a rule, honestly opposed restrictive legislation, believing that such legislation would check building, and that, on the other hand, competition could be relied upon to correct abuses. Of those members who had less positive convictions many were retained as railroad attorneys, and were thus made serviceable to the companies. Other members with political ambition were flattered or intimidated into subjection, and bribes in disguise, such as passes and special rates, were not infrequently resorted to to strengthen the railroad following in both houses of the general assembly.

"Railroad corruption did not pause here. It is a notorious fact that large sums of money were paid to venal papers of both parties in consideration of an agreement on their part to defend transportation abuses and exert their influence against progressive
railroad legislation. The vilest means were often resorted to by these sheets to obtain their end. Public men who had the courage to avow their opposition to existing railroad abuses or to favor a more perfect system of state control of railways were misrepresented, ridiculed, traduced and denounced as demagogues and socialists by hypocritical editors, who prostituted their political influence as long as they enjoyed railroad stipends, and who at intervals became converts to the cause of the people for the purpose of extorting from the railroad companies a new and increased subsidy. But truth cannot long be suppressed. The masses of the people may be imposed upon for a time, but even the shrewdest rogue will eventually be compelled to surrender. In time even rather unsophisticated voters learned to place a true estimate upon the motives of the editors, whose policy, as one of them expressed it in the author's presence, was 'controlled by the counting room.'

"Railroad politicians gradually lost their influence, and the symptoms of public discontent greatly increased. In the political campaign of 1887 state control of railways became one of the main issues. Both of the great political parties in their platforms had declared themselves very emphatically in favor of such legislation as would bring railroad corporations under complete state control, and with very few exceptions the various legislative districts had nominated only such men as candidates for legislative offices as were known to be in thorough accord with the masses of the people upon the railroad question.

"The election resulted in an even more complete defeat of the railroad forces than had been generally anticipated. Yet no hasty step was taken when the general assembly convened. A large number of bills contemplating railroad reforms in various ways were introduced, but the material presented was carefully sifted by the railroad committees and a committee bill was framed which incorporated the best features of them all. The committees listened patiently for weeks to the arguments of the representatives of both the railroads and the shippers.

"Never before had so formidable a railroad lobby assembled at the state capitol. The danger signal had been raised, and not only were the great political manipulators of the state called into requisition, but experts from adjoining states joined them in besieg­ing the legislature. The dogs of war were let loose from all quarters. A legion of hire­lings were zealous to show their servility and loyalty to their lords. The daily and weekly papers of the state, in the service of the railroad companies, teemed with arguments from the pens of railroad attorneys, and their columns were profusely supplemented with editorials copied from prominent corporation papers like the New York Tribune, New York Times, New York World, Albany Evening Argus, Boston Advertiser, and others from various parts of the country.

"These papers, attempting to disguise the motives that prompted them to come to the defense of the Wall Street interests, affected the position of disinterested and impartial observers. They condemned the proposed measures as wild and socialistic, and they painted in dark colors the disasters to railroad property, the injustice to its owners, and misfortunes to the people of Iowa, that would follow their adoption. Especially did they bewail the losses that would fall upon the widows and orphans who had confidingly invested all of their hard earnings in this property.

"They never uttered a word of condemnation, but entirely ignored or defended the abuses by which the stockholders were robbed at one end of the line and the patrons were imposed on at the other.

"Many of these papers were notified that their statements were altogether erroneous, but they would not admit a line to their columns in relation to the matter that indicated any other disposition than complete subserviency to the interests of Wall Street.

"There were, however, an unusual number of strong men in this general assembly, and this extraordinary display of railroad forces only tended to impress more strongly upon them the necessity of curbing the railroad power, and their best energies were concentrated upon the subject, with a firm determination to deal with it in a manner dictated by reason and experience.

"So well did the bill which was finally adopted by the committee reflect the general sentiment of the members of the general assembly that not a single vote was cast against it in either house upon its final passage. Since the adjustment of business under this law, there has been less friction between the people and the railroads than before for thirty years, and so satisfactory has it proved to all, that no one, not even a railroad man, has to this day asked the legislature to repeal the law or any part of it. The act contains

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no new principle of railroad control. By far the greater part of its provisions were taken from the old law. Nearly every one of its features may be found either in the interstate commerce act or upon the statute books of other states. It provides that charges must be reasonable and just, that no undue preference or advantage shall be given to any railroad patron, and that equal facilities for interchange of traffic shall be given to all roads; it prohibits pooling, a greater charge for a shorter than longer haul, the shorter or any portion of it being included in the longer, and discrimination against any shipping point. It requires that schedules of rates and fares shall be printed and kept for public inspection, and that no advance shall be made in rates or fares once established except after ten days' public notice; and it empowers the board of railroad commissioners to make and revise schedules for railroads, the rates contained in such schedules to be received and held in all suits as prima facie reasonable maximum rates. The act further provides penalties and means of enforcement.

"It must not be supposed that by the passage of this act the legislature disclaimed the right to fix absolute rates; it simply chose this expedient because in the present tentative stage of rate regulations it seemed most efficient.

"There has been much misunderstanding concerning the Iowa law. Many suppose that the Iowa commissioners have power to make confiscatory rates for the railroads, while, in fact, they can only name maximum rates which shall be deemed and taken in all courts of the state as prima facie evidence that they are reasonable and just maximum rates until the railroads show that they are not. They are at liberty to go into court any day and show this, if they are able. They are, however, careful not to undertake it, for no one knows better than they do that the rates fixed by the commissioners are liberal for the railroads.

"There are nine states, besides Iowa, in which the power to fix rates has been conferred upon railroad commissioners. This feature of the law was therefore far from being a novel one, yet no provision of the act was, previous to its passage, so furiously opposed, or subsequent to it so stubbornly resisted as this. Railroad managers realized that a surrender of the right to make their own rates was virtually a surrender of the power to practice abuses."

Governor Larrabee continues:

"It is seen that the fears, or rather the pretended fears, of the railroad managers, that the legislature of Iowa would bankrupt her railroads, were entirely groundless. As a result of the law railroads have been able to increase their gross earnings as well as their profits. They have been enabled, to give employment to a larger number of men, and there has been no occasion for them to carry out the dishonest threat to decrease the wages of their employees. Had it not been for their increased earnings in Iowa, the losses recently sustained in other states by several of the through lines would have made it impossible for them to declare the dividends which they did.

"Under her beneficial railroad policy Iowa has prospered wonderfully, and her railroads have been more prosperous than when they were allowed to have their own way. The commissioners' tariff has made jobbing and manufacturing profitable where it was unprofitable before. It has added to our industries and our commerce, and has made new business for the people as well as the railroads. It has contributed to the increase in the value of our farms and factories and their products, and the time will come when wise railroad managers, like the majority of former slaveholders of the south, would not resurrect the past if they could."

These extracts from the work of Governor Larrabee are given as having peculiar value at this time. We, of Washington, cannot do better than to follow the wise, conservative and cautious policy here outlined. A railroad commission holding office during the pleasure of the governor and removable at his will, having power to regulate railroad charges, is in line with the best thought upon this most important matter, and I am fully convinced will gradually and wisely remove the difficulties under which our shippers now labor. In this way responsibility is fixed and immediately brought home to the governor, who in this event would be
held responsible for failure. In this connection I desire to say that if given the power to appoint, I shall exercise it with the sole purpose of doing justice to all parties. If the commission appointed by me does not do its duty a new one will at once be named, and this policy will be maintained to the end. In this connection I desire also to say that I cannot be coerced into the appointment of unfit and irresponsible men to the office of railroad commissioner, even though members should thereby refuse to vote for the enactment of a wise, just and conservative measure of relief urgently demanded by their constituents. The State of Washington has able, conscientious and honest men who can be induced to serve. It is entitled to the services of her best men at this critical juncture. Anything less than this is folly which I do not wish to commit. I will add that these men have as yet not been named, nor has there been made any promise to appoint any man to the position here mentioned. Whoever says that these men are named utters a falsehood and renders himself liable to be charged with the crime of conspiring against the true interests of the people of this state.

I have spoken thus strongly because the situation has seemed to demand it, for I believe that honest men in your body are being betrayed to their hurt and to the defeat of the people's cause. I most earnestly hope that it will not be necessary for me to call an extra session of the legislature because of failure upon your part to do your duty.

Very respectfully, 

John R. Rogers,
Governor.

Moved by Mr. Jory, that the House do now reconsider the vote by which the sergeant-at-arms was instructed to make improvements for enrolling clerks.

On vote, the motion was adopted.

Moved by Mr. Jory, as a substitute: "That the sergeant-at-arms be empowered to clear the enrolling room of all but employees."

Substitute amendment by Mr. Warner: "That the chairman of the Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills be given the power to keep the room clear."

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

Amend House rule No. 17, by striking out "fifteen," in the last line of rule, and insert "five."

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

Moved by Mr. Hodgdon, to reconsider the vote by which the compiling of the House journal was given to the chief clerk.

On vote, the motion was adopted.

On vote, the resolution was lost.

The following resolution was introduced by Mr. Canutt:

WHEREAS, Demands have been made by the people of the State of Washington on the members of this House, for information regarding the
business of this legislature, and for copies of bills, to such an extent that the stamps voted by this House to the members hereof, are exhausted; and

WHEREAS, The honorable Senate, by virtue of its wisdom and experience, has and does realize the necessity of complying with the requests and demands of the people of the State of Washington, as aforesaid, and to that end has voted to each of the members of said co-ordinate branch of this legislature, the sum of $10 for postage stamps: now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the sergeant-at-arms purchase forthwith $31.50 worth of stamps for each member of this House. Said stamps to be furnished by 2 o'clock p.m., Saturday, February 27, 1897.

Mr. F. R. Baker moved to lay the resolution on the table.

On vote, the motion was lost.

On vote, the resolution was lost: Ayes 30, noes 42, absent or not voting 6.


MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,

Olympia, Wash., February 27, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed House joint memorial No. 16, relative to establishment of soldiers' home in Idaho, and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

One hundred copies of joint memorial No. 16, by Mr. Mohundro, were ordered printed.

On motion of Mr. Mohundro, it was ordered that the chief clerk have printed 100 copies of said memorial No. 16.

House bill No. 400 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.
On motion, the bill was placed on the calendar for second reading.

On motion, the Committee on Revenue and Taxation, to whom was referred House bill No. 168, was requested to report immediately, and that said bill No. 168 be placed on the calendar.

Moved by Mr. Couch, that House bill No. 472 be made a special order for 2:30 o'clock P. M.

Motion to amend to make the bill a special order for 7:30 o'clock P. M.

On vote, the motion was lost.

On vote, the motion to make the bill a special order for 2:30 o'clock P. M. was carried.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Senate bill No. 5 was reported back from the committee without recommendation.

House bill No. 385 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Senate bill No. 21 was reported back from the committee without recommendation.

House bill No. 105 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 520 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 499 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 476 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

Senate bill No. 22 was reported back from the committee without recommendation.

House bill No. 512 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

Senate bill No. 9 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 14 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 381 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that the substitute bill do pass as amended; minority report that the bill be indefinitely postponed.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REVENUE AND TAXATION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 26, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Revenue and Taxation, to whom was referred House bill No. 320, entitled "An act amending sections 69, 72 and 73 of chapter 124 of the Laws of 1893, as amended by sections 14, 15 and 21 of chapter 176 of the Laws of 1895, relating to revenue and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that the committee be granted more time.

Concurred in by all the committee present.

On motion, the request was granted.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

House bill No. 592, by Mr. McAtee: An act to change the name of Hangman Creek.

Referred to Committee on Counties and County Boundaries.

House bill No. 593, by Mr. A. S. Bush: An act to provide for the removal of county officers.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 594, by Mr. Hodgdon: An act providing for a commissioner of commerce, and defining his duties, providing for a board of commerce, and defining its duties.

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Manufactures.

House bill No. 595, by Mr. Wolf: An act to regulate common carriers, and to create a railroad and transportation commission for the State of Washington.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

House bill No. 596, by Mr. Geraghty: An act amending section 329, or volume 1, of the Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington, as arranged and annotated by William Lair Hill, relating to appointment of notaries public.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 597, by Mr. Stafford: An act to permit Municipal Corporations, of the third and fourth classes to receive warrants in payment of delinquent taxes for the years prior to 1893, and authorizing them to remit the penalty and interest for said year.

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

House bill No. 598, by Mr. Fritz: An act to prohibit the indiscriminate use of drugs.

Referred to Committee on Hygiene and Surgery.
House bill No. 599, by Mr. Hooper: An act for the detention of domestic animals doing damage, and giving a lien for damages upon such animals.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

House bill No. 600, by Mr. Canutt: An act amending sections 17 and 59, of chapter 124, of the Session Laws of 1893, relating to the assessment, collection and equalization of taxes.

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND BRIDGES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 15, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Roads and Bridges, to whom was referred House bill No. 307, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment of a state road from Grand Forks, on the Wishka river, in Chehalis county, to La Push, in Clallam county, Washington," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass with the following amendments:

In section 1, line 2 of printed bill, after words "commencing at," insert "Montesano to Aberdeen, thence to."

In section 2, line 2, strike out the words "and confirmed by the Senate."

In section 3, line 2, after the words "until the" insert figures "15," and after "day of" insert "January, 1889."

In section 10, line 3, after the words "the sum of" insert "twenty" instead of "ten," and after "dollars" make "$10,000" read "$20,000."

Respectfully submitted.

F. I. PHELPS, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

E. L. KOEHLER.
J. D. HAGADORN.
J. C. KINCAID.
G. WINDUST.
A. S. BUSH.
J. M. EDWARDS.
C. J. MOORE.
C. E. MOHUNDRO.

Amendment by Mr. Koehler: Substitute the following as sections 2 and 3:

SEC. 2. That a commission is hereby created, consisting of three members, composed of the chairmen of the boards of county commissioners of the counties of Chehalis, Jefferson and Clallam, said board to be known as a board of state road commissioners.

SEC. 3. The commissioners provided for in section two (2) of this act shall act as a state board of road commissioners until said road, as men-
tioned in section one (1) in this act, is completed or appropriation made by this act is exhausted. Should a vacancy occur in this commission by death, resignation or otherwise, the position shall be filled by the next chairman in said board of county commissioners in the county where such vacancy may occur.

The substitute was adopted.

Substitute for section 11:

SEC. 11. Each member of said board of commissioners shall receive in addition to his pay as county commissioner, the sum of one (1) dollar per day and actual traveling expenses for each and every day employed in the discharge of his duties as said commissioner.

The substitute was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Hansen: In section 1, line 5, after the word "county," insert the words "the Quillayute via La Push."

The amendment was carried.

Amendment by Mr. Koehler: In section 5, line 5, strike out all of the words after the word "act."

The amendment was lost.

On motion of Mr. Moore, further action on House bill No. 87 was deferred, and the bill to retain its place on the calendar.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., FEBRUARY 15, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Constitutional Revision, to whom was referred House bill No. 52, entitled "An act to provide for the amendment of section 23 of article 2, and sections 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21 and 22 of article 3, and section 14 of article 4 of the constitution of the State of Washington, relative to the reduction of the salaries of state officers, judges of the superior court and members of the legislature," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows:

In line 1 of section 3 of printed bill, strike out the words "of the state constitution." In line 2 of section 3, insert the word and figures "Sec. 14," between the words "follows" and "the."

In line 1 of section 4, strike out the words "the same," where they first appear in said line, and insert the figure "3," between the words "article" and "be," in said line 1. Insert the word and figures "Sec. 16," between the words "follows" and "the," in line 2 of section 4.

In line 1 of section 5, strike out the words "the same," where they first appear in said line, and insert the figure "3," between the words "article" and "be," in said line 1. Insert the word and figures "Sec. 17," between the words "follows" and "the," on line 2 of section 5.

In line 1 of section 6, strike out the words "the same," where they first
appear in said line, and insert the figure "3," between the words "article" and "be," in said line 1. Insert the word and figures "sec: 19," between the words "follows" and "the," in line 2 of section 6. In line 3 of section 6 strike out "1,500," and substitute "1,600" therefor.

In line 1 of section 7, strike out the words "the same," where they first appear in said line, and insert the figure "3," between the words "article" and "be," in said line 1. Insert the word and figures "sec. 20," between the words "follows" and "the," in line 2 of section 7. Strike out "1,500," in line 4 of section 7, and substitute "1,600" therefor.

In line 1 of section 8, strike out the words "the same," where they first appear in said line, and insert the figure "3," between the words "article" and "be," in said line 1. Insert the word and figures "sec. 21," between the words "follows" and "the," in line 2 of section 8.

In line 1 of section 9, strike out the words "the same," where they first appear in said line, and insert the figure "3," between the words "article" and "be," in said line 1. Insert the word and figures "sec. 22," between the words "follows" and "the," in line 2 of section 9.

In line 1 of section 10, strike out the words "the same," where they first appear in said line, and insert the figure "3," between the words "article" and "be," in said line 1. Insert the word and figures "sec. 23," between the words "follows" and "the," in line 2 of section 10.

That the bill do pass as amended.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

L. E. Rader, Chairman.

J. C. Conine.

J. A. Gilkey.

Hans Hansen.

J. O. Edwards.

Thos. Winsor.

Phil. M. Smith.

Miles T. Hooper.

Amendments by Mr. Marshall: In section 3, line 3, insert the figures "3,500" instead of the figures "2,500."

The amendment was lost.

In section 5, line 6, insert the figures "2,500" in place of the figures "1,800."

The amendment was lost.

Moved by Mr. Roberts, to lay the bill on the table.

The motion was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Baker: In section 2, line 2, strike out the word "five" and insert the word "three."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Rader: Strike out the words in the title "a bill for."

The amendment was adopted.
Amendment by Mr. F. R. Baker: Strike out section 8.
On motion, the House adjourned at 12:10 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House was called to order at 2 o'clock P. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

A quorum being present, the House took under consideration the amendment to House bill No. 52, by Mr. F. R. Baker, to strike out section 8.

The previous question was ordered.

On vote, the motion was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Gerry: In section 2, line 2, strike out the word and figure “five (5)” and insert the figure and word “(4) four.”

Substitute by Mr. Williams: To make it $2.50 per day.
Substitute by Mr. Hodgdon: That the remuneration be nothing.
On vote, the substitute was lost.
On vote, the substitute by Mr. Williams was lost: Ayes 31, noes 44, absent or not voting 3.


Substitute amendment by Mr. Williams: To make pay $3.50 per day.
Mr. Ross moved to lay the amendment on the table.
On vote, the motion was lost.

Amendment for the amendment: To add “and postage stamps.”
MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER.
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 27, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has amended House bill No. 137, entitled "An act to pro­
vide for the registration of voters in all school elections in school dis­
tricts having a population of ten thousand or more inhabitants, and
regulating elections in such districts," as follows: In line 17, section 8
(printed bill), after the word "secretary," insert the words "of the
board," and the same is herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 27, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has indefinitely postponed House joint memorial No. 1,
relative to election of United States senators by direct vote of the people,
and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 27, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed House bill No. 81, entitled "An act creating a
bureau of labor," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 27, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 57, entitled "An act to provide
for giving to women the right to vote," and the same is herewith trans­
mitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 27, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The president of the Senate has signed House bill No. 257, entitled "An
act for the correction and revision of a portion of the plat of Seattle tide
lands," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 26, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Education, to whom was referred House bill
No. 472, An act to establish a general uniform system of public schools in
the State of Washington, and repealing chapter 6 of title 4 of Hill's Code,
and all amendments thereto; also chapter 7 of title 5 of Hill's Code, and
all amendments thereto; also title 10 of Hill's Code, and all amendments
thereto; also chapter 4 of title 50 of Hill's Code, and all amendments thereto; also repealing an act entitled "An act concerning the formation of new school districts, changing the boundaries and transferring territory from one district to another," approved March 9, 1893; also repealing an act entitled "An act to provide for the management and control of state normal schools in the State of Washington," approved March 10, 1893, and all amendments thereto; also repealing an act entitled "An act granting to school districts the right to purchase school house sites of school lands belonging to the State of Washington of not less than one acre and not more than five acres, and granting to school districts the preference right to purchase such sites, and declaring an emergency," approved February 26, 1895; also repealing an act entitled "An act relating to the indebtedness of school districts, providing means and methods for paying and funding the same, and means of validating the same or any part thereof incurred in excess of one and one-half per centum of the taxable property of the school district, without the assent of three-fifths of the voters of the school district voting at an election held for that purpose, and declaring that an emergency exists for the taking effect of this act on its passage and approval by the governor," approved March 1, 1895; also repealing an act entitled "An act to provide for the formation of joint school districts, and to prescribe the minimum number of school children required for the formation of new school districts, and declaring an emergency," approved March 13, 1895; also repealing an act entitled "An act to authorize counties, cities, towns and school districts to provide temporary funds for current expenses in anticipation of revenue," approved March 20, 1895, and declaring an emergency, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended, as follows:

1. On page 2 of printed bill, section 2, line 15, insert the word "if" before the word "any."

2. On page 3 of printed bill, the title to article 1 shall read "Union Schools."

3. On page 3 of printed bill, section 1, line 8, the words "new or" be stricken out.

4. On page 4 of printed bill, the title of article 2 shall read "Consolidated Districts."

5. On page 5 of printed bill, make title of article 3 "Joint Districts."

6. On page 5 of printed bill, section 1 of article 3, in line 2, strike out "on" and insert "in."

7. On page 5 of printed bill, section 2 of article 3, line 8, add "s" to the word "superintendent."

8. On page 5 of the printed bill, section 1, chapter 1, title 2, in line 2, strike out the words "state commission for" and substitute the words "board of."

9. On page 6 of printed bill, section 3, in line 4, after the word "legislature," read as follows: "Of which report three thousand copies shall be."

10. On page 6 of printed bill, section 3, the third subdivision, begin-
ning with line 18, shall read: "To prepare and have printed such blanks, forms, registers, courses of study, rules and regulations for the government of common schools, questions prepared for the examination of teachers, and such other blanks and books as may be necessary for the discharge of the duties of teachers and officers charged with the administration of the laws relating to the common schools; and to distribute the same to the county superintendents."

11. On page 6 of printed bill, section 3, in line 24, strike out the words "as far as possible."

12. On page 7 of printed bill, in line 47, after the word "thirty," insert the words "in each district."

13. On page 7 of printed bill, section 3, in line 57, strike out the words "school officers."

14. On page 7 of printed bill, section 4 shall read:

SEC. 4. The superintendent of public instruction is hereby authorized to appoint a stenographer, and also a deputy superintendent of public instruction, who shall hold a life diploma. The compensation of both shall not exceed twenty-five hundred dollars per annum, and shall be paid in the manner prescribed for the payment of state officers.

15. On page 8 of printed bill, section 4, in line 2, strike out the words "which may" and substitute the word "to."

16. On page 8 of printed bill, chapter 4, in section 2, at line 2, strike out the words "for high schools."

17. On page 9 of printed bill, section 1, in line 8, strike out the word "in" and substitute the word "of."

18. On page 9 of printed bill, in section 3, in line 1, strike out the word and figure "Sec. 3" and substitute the words "Provided, That," making section 3 a continuation of section 2.

19. On page 9 of printed bill, in section 5, at line 8, before the word "school," insert the word "common."

20. On page 10 of printed bill, in section 5, at line 46, after the word "temporary," insert the words "and special."

21. On page 11 of printed bill, in section 10, at line 2, strike out the word "ten" and insert the word "five."

22. On page 11 of printed bill, make "chapter 4" read "chapter 6."

23. On page 11 of printed bill, in section 1, at line 3, after the word "respectively," insert the words "no person shall be eligible to the office of school director who is not able to read and write the English language."

24. On page 12 in section 2, at line 26, strike the words "with the consent of and."

25. On page 12 of printed bill, in section 4, at line 3, after the word "therein," strike all words to the word "Provided," at line 5. Also at line 3 strike the word "accomplished," and substitute the word "accommodated."

26. On page 12 of printed bill, in section 5, at line 5, strike the word "last" and substitute the word "first." Also strike the words "March, June, September and December," and substitute the words "February, May, August and November" (November being in the place of December in line 6).
27. On page 13 of printed bill, in section 9, at line 13, before the word "hearing" insert the word "the."
28. On page 13 of printed bill, change chapter 5 to chapter 7.
29. On page 15 of printed bill, in section 3, at lines 10 and 11, strike out the words "February, May, August and December," and substitute the words "January, April, July and October."
30. On page 15 of printed bill, change chapter 6 to chapter 8.
31. On page 15 of printed bill, in section 1 of chapter 8, line 2, strike out all words after the word "certificate." Also at line 3, after the word "has," insert the word "not."
32. On page 15 of printed bill, in section 2 of chapter 8, at line 2, after the word "school," insert the word "showing."
33. On page 16 of printed bill, change chapter 7 to chapter 9.
34. On page 16 of printed bill, in section 1 of chapter 9, at lines 4 and 5, strike out the words "or boards of education."
35. On page 17 of printed bill, change chapter 8 to chapter 10.
36. On page 17, in section 4, chapter 10, in lines 2 and 3, before the word "passage," insert the words "time of the."
37. On page 18 of printed bill, in section 5, at line 7, after the word "measles," insert the words "certified by a physician to be."
38. On page 19, chapter 1, in section 8, title 3, strike out all words of the section after the word "year," in line 3.
39. On page 18, title 3, chapter 1, section 3, line 4, strike out the word "scholars," and insert the word "pupil."
40. On page 18, title 3, chapter 1, section 5, lines 1 and 3, strike out the word "scholar," and substitute the word "pupil." Also in line 8, strike out the word "scholars," and substitute the word "pupils."
41. On page 19, title 3, chapter 2, section 1, line 7, strike out the word "and," and substitute the word "or."
42. On page 20, title 3, chapter 3, section 3, line 2, strike out the word "act," and substitute the word "chapter."
43. On page 20, title 3, chapter 3, section 2, in line 2, after the word "members," strike out the words "not more than one from any one ward."
44. On page 20, title 3, chapter 3, section 4, read as follows:

SEC. 4. The board of directors shall, at a regular meeting, provide one voting place in each ward of the city, and appoint judges and clerks of election, who shall observe and cause to be observed at such election all the election laws of this state applicable thereto not otherwise provided for: Provided, That only those persons, male and female, who have complied with the laws governing registration in cities of the class for which this chapter provides, shall be permitted to vote, and that no person shall be permitted to vote at said election except in the ward in which he or she resides. There shall be provided by the board of directors registration books for each ward, in which the secretary of the board shall register separately the names of males and females who apply for registration, and are legally qualified as otherwise provided by law. Should any of the judges or clerks be absent at the opening of the polls, the electors present shall appoint a legal voter, who, upon taking oath, shall be qualified to fill the vacancy.

45. On page 20, title 3, chapter 3, section 3, in line 2, strike out the word "act" and insert the word "chapter;" also strike out the word "educa-
tion" and insert the word "directors;" also in line 13 strike out the figure "2" and insert the figure "1."

46. On page 21, title 3, chapter 3, section 6, in line 10, strike out the word "education" and insert the word "directors."

47. On page 21, title 3, chapter 3, section 11, in line 2, strike out the word "may" after the word "board;" also in line 3, before the word "not," insert the word "for."

48. On page 22, title 3, chapter 3, section 12, in line 4, strike out the word "thereof" and insert the words "of the board."

49. On page 22, title 3, chapter 3, section 17, in line 2, strike out the word "five," and the brackets around the word "two."

50. On page 23, title 3, chapter 3, section 18, in line 10, after the word "school" insert the words "when so ordered by a vote of the electors."

51. On page 23, title 3, chapter 3, section 20, in line 4, strike out the word "be" before the word "in," and the words "any manner connected with" after the word "in."

52. On page 23, title 3, chapter 3, section 22, in line 1, strike out the word "act" and insert the word "chapter."

53. On page 24, title 3, chapter 3, section 23, in line 10, after the word "fund" insert the words "voted by the electors;" also in line 3 strike out the word "three" and insert the word "four;" also transfer the whole section, and make it the last section of chapter 12, title 3.

54. On page 26, title 3, chapter 5, article 2, section 2, in line 4, strike the word "act" and insert the word "article;" also, in line 4, add the words "Provided, That in cities of ten thousand or more inhabitants the number of said petitioners shall not be less than five hundred."

55. On page 27, title 3, chapter 6, section 1, in line 4, to the word school add the letter "s."

56. On page 27, title 3, chapter 6, section 3, in line 1, strike the letter "s" from the word "additions;" also, in line 15, after the word "apportionment," strike the remaining part of the section.

57. On page 28, title 3, chapter 6, section 4, in line 2, before the word "facilities" insert the word "school."

58. On pages 28 and 29, title 3, chapter 6, section 5, strike all words to the word "except" in line 6, on page 29; also, in line 10, after the word "estrays," insert the words "and from penalties and forfeitures."

59. On page 29, title 3, chapter 6, section 8, line 4, after the word "may," insert the words "for the current year."

60. On page 30, title 3, chapter 7, section 3, in line 12, before the word "statement" insert the words "printed or lithographed;" also in line 13, strike the words "printed or lithographed in the form of words used in the title of this act."

61. On page 31, title 3, chapter 7, section 5, in line 9, after the word "purposes," strike out the remainder of the section.

62. Title 3, chapter 8, wherever in this chapter the word "act" is used strike and insert the word "chapter," namely, in sections 2, line 2; in section 3, line 2; in section 4, lines 1 and 10; section 5, lines 2, 6, 19 and
22; in section 6, lines 2, 5, 8, 9, 17 and 18; in section 7, lines 3 and 5; in section 8, lines 2, 9 and 26.

63. On page 35, title 3, chapter 8, section 5, in line 16, strike the word "education" and insert the word "directors."

64. On page 37, title 3, chapter 9, article 2, in section 1, line 4, strike the word "county" and insert the words "common school;" also in line 5, after the word psychology insert the words "history of education."

65. On page 38, title 3, chapter 9, article 3, section 3, line 1, after the word "certificate" insert the words "or upon application for a renewal."

66. On page 39, title 3, chapter 10, article 1, section 1, line 1, after the word "shall," insert the words "except as otherwise provided by law;" also strike the word "Monday" and insert "Saturday."

67. On page 42, title 3, chapter 2, section 5, in lines 4 and 5, strike the word "common" and insert the word "state;" also, after the word "fund" strike the words "of the county in which suit is brought."

68. On page 43, title 3, chapter 11, section 5, in line 1, before the word "guardian" strike the word "teacher" and insert the word "parent."

69. On page 44, title 3, chapter 12, section 3, in line 1, after the word "certificate" insert the words "or upon application for a renewal."

70. On page 45, title 3, chapter 12, section 11, line 1, before the word "United States flag" strike the words "flag staff, and the necessary appliances therefor."

71. On page 46, title 4, chapter 1, article 1, section 3, in line 13, strike the word "then."

72. On page 47, title 4, chapter 1, strike article 2 and article 3, on pages 47 and 48.

73. On page 49, title 4, chapter 2, section 4, in line 2, strike the word "on" and insert the word "in."

74. On page 49, title 4, chapter 2, section 5, strike the word "act" and insert the word "chapter."

75. On page 51, title 4, chapter 2, section 13 to read as follows:

Sec. 13. Each member of the board of regents created by this chapter shall, before entering upon his duties, take and subscribe an oath to discharge faithfully and honestly his duties in the premises, and to perform strictly and impartially the same to the best of his ability. Said oath shall be filed with the secretary of state.

76. On page 51, title 4, chapter 2, section 14, in line 1, strike out whole line and insert for the words "the regents shall be."

77. On page 52, title 4, chapter 2, section 17, strike out the word "act" and insert the word "chapter."

78. On page 52, title 4, chapter 2, section 18, line 2, strike out the word "act" and insert the word "chapter."

79. On page 52, title 4, chapter 2, section 19 to read as follows:

Sec. 19. The board of regents are hereby empowered to grant the usual academic and honorary degrees, and to issue diplomas therefor, upon the recommendations made by the faculty.

80. On page 52, title 4, chapter 3, change title of chapter to read "normal schools."
81. On page 52, title 4, chapter 3, section 1, line 2, strike out the word "that" and insert the word "as;" also, after the word "other" insert the word "state."

82. On page 54, title 4, chapter 3, section 10, line 6, strike out the word "state" before the word "board;" also, insert the word "higher" before the word "education."

83. On page 54, title 4, chapter 3, section 11, line 17, strike out the word "amended" and insert the word "revoked."

84. On page 56, title 4, chapter 4, section 6, line 1, before the word "resignation" insert the word "death."

85. On page 57, title 4, chapter 4, section 18, line 2, after the word "following" strike out the remainder of the section.

86. That the sections of this entire act shall be numbered from first to last consecutively.

87. The title of the act and the repealing clause have been referred to the Judiciary Committee.

When so amended, that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

D. R. Lusher, Chairman.
J. A. Gilkey.
G. N. Hodgdon.
A. W. Sturman.
Jas. Hugh Ross.
J. Parker.
R. W. Caywood.
V. R. Pierson.
A. S. Bush.
J. Z. Nelson.
B. S. Scott.

The hour of 2:30 o'clock P. M. having arrived, the House took under consideration House bill No. 472.

The amendment of Mr. Ross was taken up.

Amendment to amendments of Messrs. Ross and Warner, by Mr. Lusher (page 7, title 2, chapter 2, section 3, the 9th subdivision):

Ninth: Upon the receipt from the state auditor of a certificate of the state school fund subject to apportionment, to apportion within ten days said fund among the several counties of the state, in proportion to the total days' attendance: Provided, That each school district shall be credited with at least two thousand total days attendance. The basis of said apportionment shall be the last annual reports of the several county superintendents on file in the office of the superintendent of public instruction at the time of making his apportionment.

The amendment was carried.

On vote, the amendment as amended was carried.

Moved by Mr. Powell, to suspend the rules, the bill be considered read, and the amendment be considered.
Amendment by Mr. Gerry: On page 12, title 2, chapter 4, section 2, line 13, after "do so," insert the words "Provided, That a school house already built shall not be removed nor a new site for a school house be designated except where directed by two-thirds of the voters of such district at an election to be held for that purpose, which election may be a special or general school election.

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. J. O. Edwards: In title 3, chapter 3, section 14, strike out "February, May, August and November," and insert "January, April, July and October."

The amendment was adopted.

Amend title 2, chapter 9, section 1, line 6, by striking out all of line 6 after the word "county," and line 7 by striking out the words "become delinquent," and insert, in lieu thereof, "July 1, of," and after the word "apportionment," in line 8, insert "on the last day of the preceding month."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Geraghty: In line 1, section 2, chapter 12, page 44, insert the word "common," before the word "school."

The amendment was carried.

Amendment by Mr. Hodgdon: Amend section 2, page 45, printed bill, by adding after the word "state," in line 11, the words "Provided, That the regents may adopt a preparatory course of one year."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Conine: On page 45, strike out section 5.

On vote, the amendment was lost: Ayes 29, noes 43, absent or not voting 6.


Amendment by Mr. Likins: In section 2, chapter 3, page 52, strike out from and including the word "serving" to and including the word "trustee" in line 3.

Substitute by Mr. Ross: Amend chapter 3, normal school, in section 2, line 1, strike out all after the word "schools" down to and including the word "to" in line 2, and insert the word "shall."

The substitute was lost.

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Hooper: In line 5, section 3, chapter 2, page 49, strike out the words "in languages and sciences."

The amendment was adopted.

Amend section 3, page 49, by adding to said section: "One of the objects of said college shall be to train teachers of physical science, and thereby further the application of the principles of physical science to industrial pursuits; to collect information as to schemes of technical instruction adopted in other parts of the United States and in foreign countries, and to hold farmers' institutes at such times and places and under such regulations as the board of regents may determine."

The amendment was adopted.

Amend line 1, section 5 of chapter 2 of title 4, on page 49, by inserting before the first word of said line the words: "The management of said college and experiment station, the care and preservation of all property of which such institution shall become possessed, the erection and construction of all buildings necessary for the use of said college and station, and the disbursement and expenditure of all money provided for by this act, shall be vested in a board of five regents; said five members of board of regents shall be appointed in the manner provided by law; said regents and their successors in office shall have the right of causing all things to be done necessary to carry out the provisions of this act."

The amendment was adopted.

Amend line 13, of section 5, page 50, by adding after the word "Washington:" "Provided further, That regents now serving upon such board shall continue as such during the term for which they were respectively appointed."

The amendment was adopted.
Amend chapter 2 of title 4, page 52, by adding:

SEC. 20. It shall be the duty of the board of regents herein provided for, as soon after their organization as practicable, and as soon as there shall be an appropriation therefor in the hands of the state treasurer in any amount sufficient to warrant the beginning of the erection of the several buildings herein provided for, or any wing or section of the same, to enter into contracts with one or more contractors for the erection and construction of such suitable buildings and improvements, for the institution created by this act, as in their judgment shall be deemed best, or the funds aforesaid shall warrant, all things considered; such contract or contracts to be let after open public notice and competition, and under such regulations as shall be established by said board, to the person or persons who offer to execute such work on the most advantageous terms: Provided, That in all cases said board shall require from contractors a good and sufficient bond for the faithful performance of the work and the full protection of the state against mechanics' and other liens: And provided further, That the board shall not have the power to enter into any contract for the erection of any buildings or improvements, which shall bind said board to pay out any sum of money in excess of the amount provided for said purpose.

SEC. 21. The board provided for in this act shall have power in their discretion to employ skilled architects and superintendents to prepare plans and specifications and to supervise the construction of any of the buildings provided for in this act, and to fix the compensation for such service, subject to the provisions and restrictions of this act.

SEC. 22. Whenever there shall be any money in the hands of the state treasurer to the credit of any of the specific funds set apart for the institution created by this act, deemed sufficient by the board to commence the erection of any of the necessary buildings or improvements, or pay the necessary running or other expenses of said institution, the state auditor, on the request in writing of said board, shall, and it is hereby made his duty to, draw his warrant in favor of the treasurer of said board and upon the state treasury against the specific fund belonging to said institution in such sum, not exceeding the amount on hand in such specific fund at such time, as said board may deem necessary: Provided, That said board shall draw said money as it may be necessary to disburse the same.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. F. R. Baker moved to reconsider the vote whereby Mr. J. O. Edwards' amendment was lost.

The motion was carried.

On vote, the amendment was carried.

Mr. Hodgdon moved to reconsider the vote by which the amendment made by Mr. Geraghty to insert the word "common" before the word "school" was carried.

The motion was carried.
On vote, the amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. A. S. Bush: On page 44, section 5, lines 1 and 2, insert the word "procure," in place of the word "purchase."

Amendment by Mr. F. R. Baker: On page 45, line 3, section 2, strike out the words "mechanics, industrial training."

The amendment was carried.

Amendment by Mr. Stuhrman: On page 53, chapter 3, section —, line 14, strike out the word "property," and insert the word "properly."

The amendment was carried.

Mr. Warner was called to the chair at 4:20 o'clock P. M.

On his own motion, the speaker was excused for one hour.

Amendment by Mr. Stuhrman: On page 56, section 6, line 3, strike out brackets about the word "the."

The amendment was adopted.

On page 58, section 30, line 8, strike out the word "themselves," and insert the word "himself."

The amendment was adopted.

On page 15, chapter 7, section 3, strike out the word "three," and insert the word "two."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Gilkey: At end of section 1, chapter 2, page 19, add the words "And provided further, That no portion of any district which has issued bonds shall be transferred or united to any other district until all such bonds have been redeemed and canceled."

The amendment was carried.

Amendment to title by Judiciary Committee:

To establish a general uniform system of public schools in the State of Washington, and repealing chapter 6 of title 3, chapter 7 of title 5, all of title 10 except chapter 17, chapter 4 of title 50, all being of volume 1 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington; also repealing all amendments thereto; also, repealing an act entitled 'An act concerning the formation of new school districts, changing the boundaries and transferring territory from one district to another,' approved March 9, 1893; also, repealing an act entitled 'An act to provide for the management and control of state normal schools in the State of Washington,' approved March 10, 1888, and all amendments thereto; also, repealing an act entitled 'An act granting to school districts the right to purchase school house sites of school lands belonging to the State of Washington of not not less than one acre and not more than five acres, and granting to school districts the preference right to purchase such sites, and declaring an
emergency,' approved February 26, 1895; also repealing an act entitled 'An act relating to the indebtedness of school districts, providing means and methods for paying and funding the same, and means for validating the same or any part thereof incurred in excess of one and one-half per centum of the taxable property of the school district without the assent of three-fifths of the voters of the school district voting at an election held for that purpose, and declaring that an emergency exists for the taking effect of this act on its passage and approval by the governor,' approved March 1, 1895; also repealing an act entitled 'An act to provide for the formation of joint school districts, and to prescribe the minimum number of school children required for the formation of new school districts, and declaring an emergency,' approved March 13, 1895.'

The amendment was agreed to.

Amendments by Mr. Rader: Page 7, title 2, chapter 2, strike out section 4.

The amendment was lost.

On page 9, title 2, chapter 4, section 2, line 4, insert between the words "first" and "grades" the words "or second."

The amendment was lost.

On page 26, strike out all of article 2.

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Committee on Judiciary: Strike out all of section 1, title 5, after "1895," in line 22.

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Committee on Judiciary: Substitute for section 1, title 5:

SECTION 1. This act shall be known and cited as the Educational Code of the State of Washington, and shall be construed as repealing chapter 6 of title 3, chapter 7 of title 5, all of title 10 except chapter 17 thereof, chapter 4 of title 50, all being of volume 1 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, and also repealing all amendments thereto; also repealing an act entitled "An act concerning the formation of new school districts, changing the boundaries and transferring territory from one district to another," approved March 9, 1893; also repealing an act entitled "An act to provide for the management and control of state normal schools in the State of Washington," approved March 10, 1893, and all amendments thereto; also repealing an act entitled "An act granting to school districts the right to purchase school house sites of school lands belonging to the State of Washington of not less than one acre and not more than five acres, and granting to school districts the preference right to purchase such sites, and declaring an emergency," approved February 26, 1895; also repealing an act entitled "An act relating to the indebtedness of school districts, providing means and methods for paying and funding the same, and means for validating the same or any part thereof incurred in excess of one and one-half per centum of
the taxable property of the school district, without the assent of three-fifths of the voters of the school district voting at an election held for that purpose, and declaring that an emergency exists for the taking effect of this act on its passage and approval by the governor," approved March 1, 1895; also repealing an act entitled "An act to provide for the formation of joint school districts, and to prescribe the minimum number of school children required for the formation of new school districts, and declaring an emergency," approved March 13, 1895.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 58, noes 15, absent or not voting 5.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Caywood, Clapp, Guie, Libby, and Mr. Speaker—5.

On vote, the emergency clause was passed: Ayes 58, noes 15, absent or not voting 5.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Caywood, Clapp, Guie, Libby, and Mr. Speaker—5.

The title was amended as follows:

"To establish a general uniform system of public schools in the State of Washington, and repealing chapter 6 of title 3, chapter 7 of title 5, all of title 10 except chapter 17, chapter 4 of title 50, all being of volume 1 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington; also repealing all amendments thereto; also repealing an act entitled 'An act concerning the formation of new school districts, changing the boundaries and transferring territory from one district to another,' approved March 9, 1893; also repealing an act entitled 'An act to provide for the management and control of state normal schools in the State of Washington,' approved March 10, 1893, and all amendments thereto; also repealing an act entitled 'An act granting to school districts the right to purchase school lands belonging to the State of Washington of not less than one acre and not more than five acres, and granting to school districts the preference right to purchase such sites, and declaring an emergency,' approved February 26, 1895; also repealing an act entitled 'An act relating to the indebtedness of school districts, providing means and methods for paying and funding the same, and means for validating the same or any part thereof incurred in excess of one and one-half per centum of the taxable property of the school district, without the assent of three-fifths of the voters of the school district voting at an election held for that purpose, and declaring that an emergency exists for the taking effect of this act on its passage and approval by the governor,' approved March 1, 1895; also repealing an act entitled 'An act to provide for the formation of joint school districts, and to prescribe the minimum number of school children required for the formation of new school districts, and declaring an emergency,' approved March 18, 1895."

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 27, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 250, entitled "An act for the relief of Geo. W. McBride," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 27, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Conference, to whom was referred House bill No. 17, entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to amend section six (6) of an act entitled 'An act to prescribe the duties and fix the compensation of the reporter of the supreme court, etc.,'" have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to
the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that the House concur in the Senate amendment thereto.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

L. E. RADER, Chairman.

E. H. GUEDE.

S. W. BAKER.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Mr. Williams moved to reconsider the report of Committee on Claims and Auditing relating to Mrs. Susie Barr's bill.

The motion was laid over by consent of Mr. Williams.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced out of order, read the first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees:

House bill No. 602, by Mr. Mentzer: An act to amend sections 3033 and 3034 of chapter 3 of volume 1 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington, regulating the salaries of justices of the peace and constables of cities of the first, second and third class.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill No. 603, by Mr. Merrifield: An act providing for the modification of contracts for the excavation of a waterway through any tide lands belonging to the State of Washington or any citizen or corporation of said state; the filling in and raising above high tide of any tide or shore lands belonging to the State of Washington; the excavation of any waterway lying between the inner and outer harbor lines of any harbor, estuary, bay or inlet of the State of Washington lying within or in front of the corporate limits of any city or within one mile thereof, upon either side, and excavation of any street which may be legally vacated bordering or terminating upon such harbor line or waterway.

Referred to Committee on Tide Lands.

House bill No. 604, by Judiciary Committee: An act to provide for the trial of civil causes by the superior court when a jury is waived.

Ordered placed on the calendar for second reading.

House bill No. 605, by Mr. Scott: An act relating to the liabilities of county treasurers, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.

House bill No. 606, by Judiciary Committee: An act to provide for the disposition of criminals sentenced to the state penitentiary.
On second reading to pass.
It was moved to adjourn until 7:30 o'clock P. M.
Amended to read 10 o'clock A. M. on Monday.
The amendment was carried.
The house adjourned at 5 o'clock P. M.

CHAS. E. CLINE, Speaker.

S. P. CARUSI, Chief Clerk.

FIFTIETH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, Monday, March 1, 1897.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House convened at 10 o'clock A. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.
Prayer was offered by Representative J. O. Couch.
The roll was called; all members being present except Mr. Libby.
The journal of the preceding day was read and approved.
Miss Katherine A. Baxter and Mr. J. E. Baker were sworn in by Speaker Cline, as assistant enrolling clerks, compensation to commence February 28.
Miss Josephine Prince was sworn in as committee clerk by Speaker Cline.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 262, entitled "An act providing for the cancellation of applications, contracts or deeds heretofore received or made for certain portions of the tide lands in the harbors of cities of the first class, prescribing the conditions under which the same may hereafter be disposed of, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.
Respectfully submitted. 

DAVID MITCHELL, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House, the speaker signed the above.
Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 307, entitled “An act to provide for the establishment of a state road from Grand Forks, on the Wishkah river, in Chehalis county, to La Push, in Clallam county, Washington,” has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. DAVID MITCHELL, Acting Chairman.

The following petition was read:

ELEVATED RAILWAYS.

To the Honorable, the Legislature of Washington:

The undersigned, your memorialists, being citizens, and voters of this commonwealth, and feeling deeply interested in the subject matter here-with presented, venture to ask your honorable body to at least investigate the matter fully, with a view, that if found satisfactory, you memorialize the congress of the United States to also scrutinize the whole matter, and if deemed proper, to issue low interest-bearing bonds in sufficient amount to construct an electric, elevated six tracks railway, from the most eligible point on Puget sound, via Spokane, Chicago, etc., on the shortest and most practicable route to New York, at an early day as possible — specially as a government highway — from ocean to ocean, for the safe and rapid transmission of the mails, munitions, and other federal service, as well as for general public commodity and personal traffic, at such rates as may pay all operating expenses, interest on the cost, and establish a sinking fund to extinguish the principal in a few years; after which to establish such low rates as will pay operating expenses, with a small annual reserve, for extensions, or improvements — leaving the government use free, in consideration of advancing its credit. Your memorialists, as briefly as compatible with the magnitude of the subject, will give the reasons that support their request:

1. As to defects and dangers of the present systems.
2. The manifest benefits of the proposed system, over the present mode, as to comfort, and greater security of life and property.
3. The greater ratio of cost, relative to capacity of service — being some six to one — and equal ratio of costs of operation — over the present system.
4. The greater speed, and less cost of operating the proposed system.
5. The public, who pay the immensely greater charges of the present system, possess no affective means to verify the actual basis of cost of construction and operation, nor the aggregate bulk of traffic — on which, by equity of the common law, could “reasonable charges” only, be founded.
6. Under a system to be created, full, ample means may be provided, by which the people, through their public agents, shall have the means to know, and knowing — have power to scale charges to an equilibrium of “meum et tuum!”
Such are the features of facts, economic principles, and equitable adjustments, between capital and manual service, which your memorialists deem but equitable justice between common carrier, shipper and consumer, all of which will be more fully amplified in the following:

1. As to construction and operation of the present system.

The state of the arts, as applied to up-to-date construction and operation, of railways, is necessarily faulty, and cannot be remedied without totally discarding the single track, surface, for the elevated, multiple track system—especially for better security of life and property, for speed and reduction of cost, etc. It is unnecessary to name every advantage of one, and disadvantage of the other system—a general reference to the more salient features of each, will conclusively settle a verdict in favor of the innovation suggested.

Being fixed on the earth's surface, the cross ties being wood—in some cases soft wood, that shortly decays—the best having a period of safe usefulness, estimated at from eight to ten years—must be constantly examined, and an average replacement of one-tenth every year, being some 100,000,000, at an annual expense of $50,000,000. During rain storms, recession of frosts, etc., the ground softens, the ties sink, and the rails sag, causing the engine and cars to lurch, and if the ties are decayed, or are of soft wood, the spikes may not hold, and the rails may spread, causing derailment, if not serious, costly and fatal wrecks—and then, domestic animals, or other obstructions, may menace the safety of life and commercial values. These are not all dangers that beset the surface tracks—snow drifts, washouts—crossing other tracks at grade—rolling through congested streets of large towns, and then, the devastating dynamite planted by malefactors, vastly more destructive, with the ground as a fulcrum, than elevated, with only volatile air as a fulcrum! Even in the case of hold-ups, the miscreant would have no "platform" to stand on, in the elevated system! In the whole catalogue of surface roads casualties, it can hardly be imagined how like causes could occur, to produce like results. Indeed, it would seem, that the new system would prove almost a complete embargo against any casualties, except from possible latent defects in the structural material, and this could be minimized, as in the structural steel buildings, by prior tests—not in a single instance has a structural defect been discovered.

Protection of life is our first concern, nor is that of property to be overlooked, since the people have come to understand that the money damages of every wreck, are sandwiched into subsequent way bills. The use of but one main track necessitates frequent sidetrackings, where low grade trains must list until higher grade trains may pass, or wait till the high grade has lost the right-of-way, and then, without either train knowing the exact whereabouts of the other (as they would know by Carpenter's discovery for the elevated system), and the main track is taken, when, as it often occurs, the telegraph announces that "some one has blundered,"—in the shocking details of an "awful smash-up!" Such an accident could not occur on the system suggested by your memorialists, for two trains would never meet on the same track.
Block, and other signals have been erected, and while they may limit, do not wholly prevent disasters. The elevated system needs no signals, and hence, need not care to employ any one incapable of blundering. Many trains on the same track, headed in different directions, are the evil genii of transportation! A mile per minute, is a quarter of a mile in fifteen seconds. Probably thirty seconds variation in time pieces often occurs. It is usually the case when the "other train" comes thundering around the curve, just in time not to prevent a collision! The humane sentiment of the whole country is often shocked in spasms of profound grief, at many of the fatal disasters; and yet, from the nature of the causes, the wonder is, we have not more disasters. It shows great care and diligence on the part of the managers and employes. The best men may become dazed under the pressure of great responsibilities. The law in most states requires the engineer to sound the whistle just before reaching a highway crossing, and to come to a dead stand when nearing another railroad at grade, but this is often neglected, from necessity of fogs, or other cause, without fault of any one, except a faulty system.

All these, and many other annoyances and drawbacks, are incident to, and inseparable from, the present system, and constitute unanswerable arguments in favor of a system, in which, if these, or other causes of delay and disaster are not wholly avoided, they will be so minimized as to scarcely be worth tabulating as a factor of negation in the scale of comparison.

The time consumed in taking fuel and water, and the dead weight of forty or fifty tons of a "tender" truck, would be useless in the new system. The ties and tracks of the present system are laid as well as human skill can do it, but human skill is not a formidable closure to frosts, fires and floods, as nature's modes of decay and spoliation. These and other causes of human discomfiture and suffering, cannot be annihilated, but may be avoided — by keeping out of their way. The tabulation of the inter-state commerce commission furnish better reasons for adopting the elevated system than whole tomes of adverse criticism could overthrow. It shows that over 13,000 railway accidents have occurred, and that in the six years from 1890 to 1895, inclusive, 40,440 lives were lost, and 205,590 were injured; while at the same time over 328,000 trackmen, watchmen, etc., were employed, annually, in combatting the causes that led to these disasters, costing the people, who finally pay all expenses, the enormous sum of $112,326,000, to say nothing of the hundreds of millions lost by the wreckages, omitting the untabulable value of lives and limbs. All of this loss of life, suffering and wealth, was attributable by officials and laymen to the following causes: Collisions, derailments, coupling cars, falling from cars, at highway crossings, obstructions on the tracks, etc., every one of such causes being absolutely avoided by the elevated system. Your memorialists would not be over-importunate, yet they feel fully justified in urging the representatives of the people to fully and freely investigate the facts and reasons herein elaborately set forth, to the end that the commonweal may finally be more humanely, economically and sufficiently subserved.
A reasonable estimate of the annual difference in cost of maintenance, damages, by wrecks, cost of operation, etc., of the present system, over the elevated may be summarized for the entire federal system, as follows:

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<th>Description</th>
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<td>Renewals of cross ties, per annum</td>
<td>$50,000,000</td>
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<td>Trackmen, watchmen, etc., excess over elevated</td>
<td>$111,843,151</td>
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<td>Excess of rolling stock</td>
<td>$200,000,000</td>
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<td>Damages by 1487 wrecks, in 1895, estimated</td>
<td>$44,510,000</td>
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<td>Annual difference in operative expenses</td>
<td>$1,468,333,333</td>
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<td><strong>Total difference</strong></td>
<td><strong>$1,864,686,484</strong></td>
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Even the half—yea, the eighth of this vast sum is more than the government of a free people ought to permit, in addition to onerous rates, that are largely in excess of the above. Your memorialists believe that these estimates are as near correct in fact, as the average annual reports of the cost and receipts of the railway traffic. There can be but little doubt that the extra cost for rolling stock and operating expenses of the present system, over the elevated, electric system, would, in a few years, be ample to displace much of the former, and finally, the whole, with the latter system, and would save the people vast sums for transportation, if economically and honestly managed—enough in good time to replace the whole inferior, with the superior system, which would be ample for all time to distribute the tonnage of this continent, and additions from beyond the seas. The saving of human lives, and writhing pains of thousands from mangling wrecks, to say nothing of vast property values, is a theme worthy the sublimest aspirations of the inventor, the mechanic and the capitalist, and worthy the profoundest admiration of Gods and men!

The cause of the 13,602 collisions and other death-dealing accidents, all have their origin in the single track, surface system. To elevate the tracks is to avoid all casual disasters. The six tracks are necessary for speed, and dispatch of business, without friction. The four lower tracks separates the through from the local traffic. The local passenger and freight traffic, on the two upper tracks, each independent of the other—all provided with means to prevent any possible derailment, except by a shock of sufficient force to wreck the adjacent structure. According to the plans exhibited, no tornado could displace any car from the track. Leaving out the question of monetary loss, a higher grade of human impulse calls for reforms in the structure and operation of our land transportation facilities. In the new system the "deadly stove" will neither dispense noxious gases, nor menace life in case of accidents—the necessary heat and light, as well as motive force will all come from one source. All of these effects, from one source, are, as herein suggested, in practical use in numerous places in our own state, and throughout the country, to-day—and thus, we are confronted with no new, vague, nor untried theory. The Baltimore contest between the 100 ton motor and the most powerful mogul engine, in which the former snaked the latter backwards, against its best adverse efforts, settles the question of superiority of electric, over steam power.

And then, the best average speed of the present system is not up-to-date
with that progress which the march of civilization demands, in nearly all
the departments of practical progress. The desire for saving by new
methods over old, is commendable and amounts to not only a necessity,
but a virtue.

The spirit of progressivity, is all that makes one nation equal, or
superior to another. With periodical evolutions in the arts, science and
industrial pursuits, is the only road to the goal of human perfection, but
the legitimate results are frustrated when the favored few are permitted
to absorb most of the resulting benefits, without equivalents. The rail-
way traffic charges of the entire world, for 1890, according to Mulhall,
amounted to $2,515,000,000, and at this date, no doubt to three thousand
millions; nearly one-half of this vast sum is chargeable to our people, and
if even one-half the sum could be saved to the needy consumers who pay
it, much of the problem of fast increasing cost of our eleemosynary insti-
tutions would be solved, besides a prodigious saving of human lives and
limbs—saving in time and commercial facilities. The undoubted affect
of the new system would be an almost complete divorce from the long cata-
logue of ills that always have, and always will, afflict the surface, single
track system. Whether these ills are directly chargeable to incapacity,
carelessness, negligence, misunderstanding of orders, or signals, to
stopped, or disordered watches, or, as sometimes said, to “the act of
God,” it is quite evident that they are inseparable from the present sys-
tem of single track, surface roads; and then, in this age of rapid transit
demand, of thought and message, of telegraphs, cables, and telephones; and
the quickened evolutions of trade and commerce, and the transitions of
the world’s exchanges—the six days of travel, and therefor to fifteen
days transit of freights from ocean to ocean, ought, and may, be im-
proved, not only as to time, but to cost, safety and convenience.

In the full blaze of the search-light of progress, your memorialists can
see no reason why, on a good, solid, elevated structure, as already sug-
gested, a trip from the Atlantic to the Pacific may not be made with un-
paralleled ease and comfort in twenty-four hours. Even 112½ miles per
hour have been covered on a steam surface road. It is neither claimed
nor hinted that all possible danger including criminal mischief, can be
wholly avoided on any system, but with tracks elevated, some twelve feet
above surface railways, common highways—spanning all canals, streams,
ditches, fences, etc., and sparing no outlay that future, continuous bene-
fits might warrant—the general course to be as level and straight as
possible, consistent with good engineering—no acute curves, tressels
over all ground depressions, rather than “fills,” or dirt embankments,
that may obstruct permanent or casual water flushes—thus prevent
wash-outs by having no embankments to wash out! In short, remove, or
avoid every cause of danger, possible, and shun all causes for delay and
derangement that engineering skill and prudent outlay may affect. Such
a structure would require but little, if any repairs for long years, from
stress of use, or the vicissitudes of meteorological attacks—the whole
system constantly supervised by competent track-watchers, one to every
five miles specially to detect criminal mischief—for such a structure as
herein named, may be said to have few elements of decay, and few, if any, functional defects. The main purpose should be to escape all and every cause of danger or annoyance that skill or art can avoid.

Your memorialists, while reserving their private opinions as to the actual cost of the 179,162 miles of railways in this country, as officially set forth, see no reason here for discussing the actual cost of constructing said roads, which, when prorated, average nearly $67,000 per mile for the whole system, and yet nearly all are single tracks. If these roads did cost all they are said to be worth, then your memorialists are prepared to believe that the elevated, six tracks system—mile for mile—is the cheapest system to construct; (for which consult accompanying tables.) The structure, wholly of structural steel; with all appliances of a first class equipment, having a cognate, co-acting telegraph system, usable at fastest runs; having thirty or more power plants; terminal and other stations; inclines, stock and switch yards, etc., including four first class steamships on each ocean, all as “expertly estimated at a cost not exceeding $67,000 per mile of road. It is also evident, from the itemized tables herewith, that the cost of rolling stock would be only about one-sixth of the present system, for equal amount of service; and that the annual cost of operating the six tracks, with interest computed as by the said tables, would be nearly four to one in favor of the proposed system. Such, at least, appears to be the relation between the two systems, as by the itemized tables herewith, that the cost of rolling stock and operating expenses—especially the latter—would be nearly four to one in favor of the six elevated tracks, with the factor of interest in the expenses, as tabulated.

If the ratios of the whole system of roads in 1896, as to the named proportion should hold good, it would leave to this route, 12,810,000 tons of freight annually. Your memorialists have depended on the general averages and ratios of all portions of the general traffic on the 179,000 miles of the American system and lest this, our only criteria, might be misleading, have, in some most important instances, cut the ratio in halves and quarters, that no misleading errors might occur. These totals and fractional ratios, clearly show—that could managers be found, who would, under the eye of government supervision and charter limit, as to charges, report all the earnings, with carte blance to authorize public officers to examine all books and papers, as a basis for publication, of all receipts, from whatsoever source; thus showing to “all concerned” that they had built up a carrier system of continental extent, that would continue to be a blessing, without being a charge of one sou to any one, but highly benefited patrons.

The men who conceive and carry such a system into effect, against the power that would rather perpetuate “the old way,” of Helotic bondage should be entitled to a crown of glorious memory, more dazzling to their posterity, than a dozen promotions to the presidency of this republic. He that mitigates the stress of toil, and saves to consumers the quantum valebant of justice, wins a title more priceless than that of kings or emperors!
There are other questions involved in the premises presented, of both national and state importance. There can be but little doubt in the minds of those who turn their attention to the future, that the electric elevated system is on the eve of general adoption, not only on economic grounds, but as a matter of the broadest public policy. Hints, in news items have lately announced that our Canadian cousins are about to adopt some new measures for more rapid transit between the oceans; the exact nature of which has not transpired, but, if the plan herein discussed, should be first put to use by our neighbors, half an eye could at once see that greater speed and safety, less cost in operation, and inevitably cheaper rates, would not only attract immigration to that field of greatly stimulated activity, but a large share of our travel and through freights would follow the stronger current.

And again, should we not have an eye on our ex-Russian possessions, and if this initial, commercial conduit should be first consummated by us, it would insure a junction with the Pacific coast some 1,000 miles nearer Sitka than with San Francisco as the western terminus—an argument worth many millions of dollars in the prospective struggles to secure the Asiatic and some of the European trade by all-rail service to New York, by ferriage across Behring straits—which point the czar of Russia will soon reach, with his great eastern system through Siberia, etc. There can be little or no doubt that ere long a line will be constructed from Spokane or the Sound to Juneau, Sitka and Behring straits. The construction of the elevated road here would hasten the northwestern extension, though for some time yet it cannot be expected to press public attention; still, it is a strong factor in the "main chance," since no one can foresee the exact moment when commercial involutions, having a national tinge, or that political evolutions may turn up.

Your memorialists are not disposed to horoscope future political events, nor to overrate future commercial advantages, nor would they overlook manifest advantages, to be had almost for the asking.

Finally, should congress, from any cause, decline to act in this behalf, your memorialists esteem it a pleasure and a duty, to call the attention of the people's representatives to a matter which seems may be of some importance and which may lead to great advantage to our commonwealth, and that of others as well. The following excerpt from a letter by a New York capitalist, to a gentleman of Spokane, explains itself. With a knowledge of the receiver and the nature of all the circumstances it would seem to token a good omen, which may answer us well as an alternative. The excerpt is under date of January 5, 1897, and is as follows:

* * *

"You ask me if you (I) and your (my) friends would invest in such an elevated road as I (you) have from time to time explained, provided congress should fail to act, and would you (I) and others be willing to be charter bound to charge no greater rates from the date of completion than would meet operating expenses, six per cent. on the outlay, including five millions annually for a sinking fund, to extinguish the cost debt, and when that is liquidated, to scale all rates to meet only run-
ning expenses and 3 per cent. on the original cost and all the while give, by charter right to agents of the people, full right to examine monthly all books and vouchers, and receipts and disbursements, that the public might know the very facts? I (you) would work and write against any repetition of the present system, over which has poured a Niagara of wealth for more than forty years, as fabulous largesses to the fiction of water, representing nothing but greed. * * * To all of which I reply that I have no right to speak for any one but myself. I think I have in some of my letters told you that I knew many gentlemen in this country and Europe — some 150, perhaps more — who, like myself, hold large blocks of American railway securities, that pay no dividends, perhaps in the aggregate amounting to ten or twelve hundred millions, par dollars; it may be even much more. I may have told you, in my loose way of talking, that these men would be only to glad to sell all their holdings for what they would bring. I am now of the full belief they would, and the proceeds with more cash added, but this is only my opinion. I have no right to pledge them to anything. You know how sensitive men are in our situation, with large values that might rot on our hands if our names were associated with a measure calculated to upset such a rich thing as a few who control the railway ring, leaving not a vestige to the masses who have invested the great bulk of the funds. My confidence in you became fixed during your gallant fight in ——, in which you scored a victory over some of the wealthiest railway magnates in the land. I felt as though you could be trusted not to give me away. I am willing to do all I can to serve your good work. I could leave no better legacy to my children than to put all my railway stock holdings, and much more, on the whole plan you propose, with some change in minor details, and some additions, which you no doubt have overlooked, and to which I dare presume neither you nor your friends would object. I will write you more in detail hereafter. At your request, I will grant you permission to use any excerpt from my letters you may desire that will not disclose to anyone who the writer may be." * * *

From what has preceded it may be well to consider what might be done in case Congress declined to act, and the alternative should materialize. The mode of public supervision would protect the public from even a suspicion of injustice. The cunningly devised classification would be abolished, and business on business principles assured. Fair rates at the initial would be estimated and tested by a six or twelve months' business, to be increased or diminished to tally as near as may be, in the aggregate, to meet the conditions as suggested hereinbefore as to interest, operating expenses, for sinking fund, etc. All charges should be by 100 pounds, by ton or car load. To show what would be the effect of assuming the national ratio for this latitudinal route to be correct in proportion to the whole 179,161 miles, the freight would be 12,810,000 tons, reduced to pounds, 256,200,000. Passengers per mile of road, 1,462 (4,886,000); miscellaneous, including mails, express, telegraph, etc. (ratio), $3,375,000. All these furnish a basis for legitimate charges, as above noted, for
STATE OF WASHINGTON.

Six per cent. interest on (say utmost cost) $250,000,000.......................... $15,000,000
Operating expenses (see ac. table).................................................. 4,382,324
For sinking fund........................................................................ 5,000,000

Total initial limit of charges....................................................... $24,382,324

Having thus got the highest limit of charges, let us enquire how they are to be met. An average charge of ten cents per 100 pounds for the—

Whole tonnage, all distances would amount to.......................... $25,625,000

As we can see, this one item is more than the required sum, we must recast.

Take but one half the ratio of tonnage for this system, say at ten cents average per 100 pounds, and we have........................................ $12,810,000

Just half the ratio of passengers, at average of $4................................. 8,772,000

Miscellaneous, as above.............................................................. 3,375,000

Total, with half a million to spare................................................ $24,957,324

After the debt should have been paid, the whole base for charges would be, for operating expenses, as above........................................ $4,382,324

Three per cent., on say $250,000,000........................................ 7,500,000

Say add annually for extensions.................................................. 2,000,000

Total charges with “padding”....................................................... $13,882,324

So that, eventually the above low rates, would need pruning one-half. All of which is most respectfully submitted.

H. N. Belt,
Mayor of Spokane, Wash.

C. C. Dempsey,
Sheriff of Spokane County, Wash.

Henry Treede,
Chairman of Board of Commerce, Spokane, Wash.

Geo. Mudgett,
Treasurer of Spokane County, Wash.

J. W. Daniel,
Assessor of Spokane County, Wash.

Vivian H. Hopson,
Superintendent of Schools, Spokane County, Wash.

J. D. MacLean, M. D.,
Spokane, Wash.

On motion of Mr. Roberts, the petition was ordered spread in full on the journal.

A petition was presented by Mr. Speaker, from the faculty and students of the state university, relating to the amendment of the law regulating the sale of liquors within two miles of the university.

Referred to Committee on State University.

Moved by Mr. Wilkeson, that the resolution relating to Northern Pacific land grant be taken up under suspension of rules and acted on.

On vote, the motion was adopted.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RAILROADS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 25, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred resolution by Mr. Wilkeson, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

J. L. Canutt, Chairman.
J. P. de Mattos.
Miles T. Hooper.
Charles H. Wolf.
J. B. Smith.
W. B. Roberts.
J. G. Fritz.
A. T. Tobiassen.
C. E. Mohundra.
Theron Stafford.

On motion of Mr. Roberts, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the resolution considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

The clerk was ordered to cast the vote of the House for the resolution.

On vote, the resolution was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.
MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 1, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed Senate concurrent resolution No. 21, relative to the printing of Session Laws, Revenue Laws, School Laws, etc., and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 1, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed Senate substitute for Senate bills Nos. 98 and 224, relative to imposing a tax on insurance companies, and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 1, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has indefinitely postponed House bill No. 120, entitled "An act relating to the powers, rights and duties of corporations organized to build booms and to catch logs and timber products therein," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Hooper, House bill No. 420 was taken up for consideration.

On motion of Mr. Hooper, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 59, noes 5, absent or not voting 14.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

On motion, the bill was ordered transmitted to the Senate under suspension of the rules.

On motion of Mr. Conine, House bill No. 204 was taken from the table for further consideration.

On motion of Mr. Conine, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 34, noes 28, absent or not voting 16.


REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

House bill No. 567 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 434 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that the substitute bill do pass; minority report that substitute bill be indefinitely postponed.

Senate bill No. 77 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House resolution No. — was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 280 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 373 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass as amended.
House bill No. 545 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 495 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 163 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 138 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed; minority report that it do pass.

House bill No. 406 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed; minority report that the bill do pass.

House bill No. 151 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it pass as amended; minority report that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 283 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Senate bill No. 181 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees:

House bill No. 607, by Mr. Warner: An act creating a board of railroad, steamboat and warehouse commissioners for the State of Washington, defining their duties, regulating common carriers, and fixing maximum passenger and freight rates, and making an appropriation therefor.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

House bill No. 601, by Mr. Pierson: An act amending section 211 of the Penal Code of volume 2 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington, relative to Sunday closing.

Referred to Committee on Public Morals.

House bill No. 608, by Judiciary Committee: An act to provide for the further protection of the ballot, and prescribing a penalty for the violation thereof.

Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections.

House bill No. 609, by Mr. de Mattos: An act to fix the compensation of receivers appointed by any court of this state.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.
House bill No. 610, by Mr. Lusher: An act to create a temporary library commission, and to define its powers and duties.
Referred to Committee on Education.

House bill No. 611, by Mr. de Mattos: An act relating to justices of the peace and constables in incorporated cities of the third class having more than five thousand inhabitants, and fixing their number and salaries.
Referred to Committee on Municipal Corporations.

House bill No. 612, by Mr. Lindstrom: An act providing for the payment of road supervisors, and reducing the amount of work that may be performed in payment of road property tax, and declaring an emergency.
Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

House bill No. 613, by Mr. Williams: An act providing that the supreme court judges shall call meetings of the supreme and superior court judges not less than thirty nor more than sixty days immediately preceding each regular session of the legislature, at the court rooms of the supreme court, to consider laws necessary to be passed relating to the administration of justice, and providing for the payment of actual expenses of the superior court judges in attending the meetings so called.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 614, by Mr. Lindstrom: An act amending an act of the legislature, approved March 23, 1895, amending sections 3, 5, 6, 45, 48, 55, 59, 60, 61, 62, 65, 66, 68, 69, 72, 73, 77, 78, 79, 80, 88, 89, 95, 96, 98, 122, 130, 135, and repealing sections 81, 82, 83 and 120, of chapter 124 of the Laws of 1893, relating to revenue, and declaring an emergency.
Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

House bill No. 615, by Mr. Gerry: An act to amend section 1 of chapter 124 of the Session Laws of 1895, entitled "An act to prohibit stallions running at large, and providing a penalty for the violation thereof."
Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

House bill No. 616, by Mr. Hansen: An act to repeal an act entitled "An act to amend section 1785 of the Code of Washington of 1881, the same being section 1534 of volume 2 of Hill's Code, relating to costs in civil actions before justices of the peace, and providing for an attorney's fee as part of the costs in such actions," approved February 17, 1893.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 617, by Mr. Williams: An act relating to justices of the peace and constables in cities having more than 20,000 inhabitants, and fixing their number and salaries.

Referred to Committee on Municipal Corporations.

House bill No. 618, by Mr. Williams: An act to amend an act entitled "An act providing for changes of venue from justices of the peace," the same being section 1468, volume 2, of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 619, by Mr. Williams: An act relating to municipal courts, fixing salaries of judges and clerks thereof, and giving jurisdiction in actions removed by change of venue from justices of the peace.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

House bill No. 620, by Committee on State Buildings, Public Grounds and Libraries: An act for expediting the completion of the state capitol building, and making an appropriation therefor.

Ordered placed on calendar for second reading.

SECOND READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 52 having been laid over, on Saturday, on account of special order, was taken up for further consideration.

Mr. Williams' amendment, on vote, was lost.

On vote, the amendment to make pay $4 per day was carried:

Ayes 50, noes 19, absent or not voting 9.


Mr. Nelson moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

The motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Witt, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was defeated: Ayes 49, noes 20, absent or not voting 9.


REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES AND GAME.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Olympia, Wash., February 15, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House bill No. 267, entitled "An act relating to the taking of trout and defining the close season and protecting food fishes and regulating the implanting thereof, and repealing chapter 123 of the Session Laws of 1895 and all laws in conflict therewith," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass, with the following amendment: In section 5, line 4, of the printed bill, strike out the word "section," and insert the word "act," in lieu thereof.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

HANS HANSEN, Chairman.

J. P. DE MATTOS.

E. L. KOEHLER.

B. F. DAY.

J. M. EDWARDS.

C. J. MOORE.

W. L. FREEMAN.

A. T. TOBIASSEN.

J. Z. NELSON.

J. O. COUCH.

J. C. CONINE.
There being no further amendments, the bill was advanced to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE UNIVERSITY.

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Wash., February 15, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
We, your Committee on State University, to whom was referred House bill No. 334, entitled "An act to aid in the support of the university of Washington," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows:

Strike out all of section 1, and insert in lieu thereof section 2, as amended.

In line 1, section 2, of printed bill, strike out the word "said." In same line and section, after the word "regents," insert "of the university of Washington." In same line and section, strike out the word "also."

Section 3 shall be known as section 2.

In line 2 of section 3, of printed bill, strike out the word "said," and insert in lieu thereof the word "all."

Strike out all of section 4.
And as so amended, that the same do pass.
Respectfully submitted.

John A. Gilkey, Chairman.

We concur in this report:
Paul Land.
J. Parker.
David Mitchell.

Amendment by Phelps: Section 2, line 3, strike out the words "fees, bequests and gratuities."
The amendment was carried.
Moved by Mr. C. Smith, that the bill be indefinitely postponed.
On vote, the motion was lost.
On motion of Mr. Land, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 68, noes 0, absent or not voting 10.

Noes: None.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.
On motion, the House adjourned at 12 M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House convened at 2 o'clock P. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.
A quorum being present, the House took under consideration the second reading of bills.
The resignation of Mr. Fred R. Marvin, as committee clerk for group No. 7, was tendered and accepted.
Mr. Lusher gave notice of a motion to reconsider the vote whereby House bill No. 52 failed to pass.
Mr. Warner was called to the chair at 2:10 o'clock P. M.
Mr. Day was excused for one hour.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEDICINE AND SURGERY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 16, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Medicine and Surgery, to whom was referred House bill No. 367, entitled "An act to regulate the practice of pharmacy, the licensing of persons to carry on such practice, and the sale of poisons in the State of Washington, defining crimes and misdemeanors, and prescribing penalties in cases of violation thereof," etc., have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows:
In the title, line 2, after the word "poisons" insert the words "wines, spirituous and malt liquors."
In section 4, line 11, insert "three hundred" in lieu of "five hundred."
Section 5, line 13, add "not to exceed ten days at one time."
Section 6, line 16, add "Provided, That the failure to perform any of the duties required of them, as set forth in this act, by any member of the
state board of pharmacy may subject him to removal from office by the
governor on proof of the same."

Section 11, insert after the first word "salary" the words "not to ex­
ceed two hundred dollars per annum;" also, in same line, after the word
"expenses," "necessarily and actually;" in line 9, insert between the
words "for" and "shall" the words "one-half;" in line 10, commencing,
at the first word "board," insert the words "the remaining one-half shall
be by him paid over annually to the treasurer of the Washington State
Pharmaceutical Association, on the order of the president and secretary
of said association, to be used toward defraying the necessary expenses
incurred in carrying out the provisions of section 6 of this act;" in line
18, add to the line the words "in detail, which report shall be audited by
said association."

Section 14, line 4, after "opium" insert "including engshe or cooked
opium;" in line 6, after the word "creosote" insert "chloroform, sul­
phuric ether, chloral, cocaine, nitrate of amyle;" in line 11, insert after
the word "purposes," "and no other license shall be required from said
pharmacist under any law of this state who shall comply with the pro­
visions of this act."

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

W. L. Freeman, Chairman.
B. S. Scott.
J. B. Smith.
G. N. Hodgdon.
John Hargrave.

Amendment by Mr. Wolf: Change section 17, "Whereas, an
emergency exists, this act shall take effect immediately."

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Stafford, the rules were suspended, the second
reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and
placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 67, noes 1, absent or not
voting 10.

Ayes: Messrs. Ames, Baker F. R., Baker S. W., Barlow, Bush
A. S., Bush C. P., Canutt, Carr, Caywood, Clapp, Conine, Couch,
de Mattos, Edwards J. M., Freeman, Fritz, Forbes, Geraghty,
Gerry, Gilkey, Guie, Hagadorn, Hansen, Hargrave, Hicks, Hodg­
don, Johnston, Jory, Kincaid, Kittinger, Koehler, Land, Levin,
Likins, Lusher, Marshall, Mathiot, Mentzer, Merrifield, Mitchell,
Mohundro, Moore, McAtee, Parker, Phelps, Pierson, Powell, Rader,
Richmond, Roberts, Ross, Scott, Smith H. D., Smith J. B., Smith
P. M., Stafford, Stuhrmann, Thacker, Tobiassen, Warner, Williams,

Noes: Mr. Baker G. H.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Day, Edwards J. O., Hooper, Ir-
The emergency clause passed: Ayes 67, noes 1, absent or not voting 10.


Noes: Mr. Baker G. H.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

There being no objections, the bill was ordered transmitted to the Senate at once.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 318, entitled "An act providing for the disposition of certain funds collected for road purposes from the property subsequently included within the corporate limits of any city or town," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass with the following amendments:

After the last word in the title insert the words "and declaring an emergency."

In line 1 of section 1 of printed bill, strike out the words "or treasurers," between the words "treasurer" and "of."

Strike out the last five words of section 2.

Respectfully submitted.

J. P. DE MATTOS, Chairman.
J. L. LIKINS.
C. A. MENTZER.
THOS. WINSOR.
E. W. WAY.
W. B. ROBERTS.
A. D. WARNER.
J. G. FRITZ.

We concur in this report:
On motion of Mr. Winsor, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 63, noes 5, absent or not voting 10.


The emergency clause passed: Ayes 63, noes 5, absent or not voting 10.


The title was amended by adding an emergency clause.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 148, entitled "An act relating to the sale of property under execution and decree and the confirmation
of sheriffs' sales, and repealing sections 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520 and 521 of volume 2 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington, relating to the redemption of real estate sold on decree of foreclosure and on execution.

By order of the Senate, the rules were suspended and the bill ordered transmitted to the House without delay, and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed House bill No. 262, entitled "An act relative to cancellation of contracts for certain portions of tide lands in harbors of cities of the first class," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE, SCHOOL AND GRANTED LANDS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 16, 1897.

We, your Committee on State, School and Granted Lands, to whom was referred House bill No. 224, entitled "An act to provide for the selection, survey, management, reclamation, lease and disposition of the state's granted, school, tide, oyster and other lands, harbor areas, and for the confirmation and completion of the several grants to the state by the United States; creating a board of appraisers and a board of harbor line commissioners, as required by articles 15 and 16 of the state constitution, and for the selection and reclamation of arid lands, which shall be generally known as the board of state land commissioners; defining their duties and making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass with the following amendments: Strike out sections 39, 40, 41, 42 and 43; in line 9, section 9, of the printed bill, insert the word "inspector" in place of the word "cruiser;" in line 37, section 12, insert the word "state" where the word "purchaser" appears; in line 16, section 17, strike out the word "money" and insert the words "price and accrued interest;" in line 22, section 77, after the number "1891," strike out the balance of section and insert the words "is hereby repealed;" in line 17, section 59, strike out the word "secretary" and insert the word "chairman."

Respectfully submitted.

J. C. MERRIFIELD, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

J. L. LIKINS.
H. D. SMITH.
HANS HANSEN.
J. B. JOHNSTON.
F. I. PHELPS.
PAUL LAND.
J. M. EDWARDS.
Amendment by Mr. C. P. Bush: In section 1, line 3, strike out the words "arid land commission" wherever it occurs.
The amendment was carried.
In section 1, line 5, strike out the words "reclamation of arid lands."
The amendment was carried.
In section 2, lines 3 and 4, strike out the words "and one for the selection and reclamation of orid lands."
The amendment was carried.
In section 11, lines 6 and 7, strike out the words "and its location and character for irrigation purposes."
The amendment was carried.
Amendment by committee: The following, to be known as section 11:
SEC. 11. That any person or company may make written application to the board of appraisers for the appraisement and sale of any lands belonging to the state, and said board shall cause to be prepared blank applications containing such instructions as will inform and aid intending purchasers in making applications for the appraisement and sale of any lands. Each application must be accompanied with a certificate of deposit or certified check upon any bank of this state, made payable to the state treasurer, and equal in amount to ten cents per acre for the land described in such application: Provided, That such deposit may be made in cash or by postoffice money order, but in no case shall such deposit be less than ten dollars. In case the lands described in such application are sold at the time they are offered for sale, in accordance with such application, the amount of such deposit shall be returned to such applicant. If such lands be not sold through fault of said applicant at such sale, such deposit shall be forfeited to the state, and shall be so declared by the said board, and the state treasurer shall thereupon place the said forfeited money to the credit of the general fund of the state.

The amendment was adopted.
Amendment by Mr. Hargrave: In section 38, line 4, strike out the word "mineral."
The amendment was lost.
Amendment by Mr. Canutt: In section 5½, line 3, after the word "clearing," insert the word "orchard."
The amendment was adopted.
Moved that the proviso in section 5½, to and including the word "purchase," in line 13, be made part of section 52.
The motion was carried.
On motion of Mr. Merrifield, the rules were suspended, the
second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed,
and placed on its final passage.

On motion, the land commissioner was given time to explain the
bill.

It was moved to reconsider the vote whereby the rules were sus­
pended, and the bill be referred to second reading.

The motion was carried.

Amendment by Mr. Hargrave: In section 38, after the word
“grantees,” add the words “and nothing shall be construed to
prevent prospecting by miners upon said state lands, or the removal
of mineral therefrom for assaying purposes.”

The amendment was carried.

On motion of Mr. Way, the rules were suspended, the second
reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and
placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 59, noes 6, absent or not
voting 13.

Ayes: Messrs. Baker F. R., Baker G. H., Baker S. W., Barlow,
Bush A. S., Bush C. P., Canutt, Carr, Caywood, Clapp, Conine,
Day, de Mattos, Edwards J. O., Fritz, Forbes, Geraghty, Gerry,
Gilkey, Hagadorn, Hansen, Hargrave, Hicks, Irvin, Johnston,
Jory, Kincaid, Koehler, Land, Lusher, Marshall, Mathiot,
Mentzer, Merrifield, Mitchell, Mohundro, Moore, Parker, Phelps,
Pierson, Richmond, Scott, Smith C., Smith H. D., Smith J. B.,
Smith P. M., Stafford, Stuhman, Struve, Thacker, Warner, Way,
Williams, Wilkeson, Windust, Winsor, Witt, Wolf, and Mr.
Speaker—59.

Noes: Messrs. Couch, Freeman, Lindstrom, McAtee, Ross, and
Tobiasen—6.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Ames, Edwards J. M., Guie,
Hodgdon, Hooper, Kittinger, Levin, Libby, Likins, Nelson,
Powell, Rader and Roberts—13.

On vote, the emergency clause was passed: Ayes 59, noes 6,
absent or not voting 13.

Ayes: Messrs. Baker F. R., Baker G. H., Baker S. W., Barlow,
Bush A. S., Bush C. P., Canutt, Carr, Caywood, Clapp, Conine,
Day, de Mattos, Edwards J. O., Fritz, Forbes, Geraghty, Gerry,
Gilkey, Hagadorn, Hansen, Hargrave, Hicks, Irvin, Johnston,
Jory, Kincaid, Koehler, Land, Lusher, Marshall, Mathiot, Ment­
zter, Merrifield, Mitchell, Mohundro, Moore, Parker, Phelps, Pier-


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

There being no objections, the rules were suspended, and the bill sent to the Senate immediately.

REPORT OF GROUP NO. 9.

Mr. Speaker:

The Committees on Appropriations, Rules and Order, Insurance, Military Affairs, and Compensation and Fees, have selected and submit for the approval of the House as clerk of said group of committees the name of Miss Josephine Prince, and ask that she be sworn in.

Geo. M. Witt,
Chairman Committee on Appropriations.

James Hugh Ross,
Chairman Committee on Rules.

L. J. McAtee,
Chairman Committee on Insurance.

C. A. Mentzer,
Chairman Committee on Compensation and Fees.

J. B. Smith,
Chairman Committee on Military Affairs.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,

OLYMPIA, WASH., March 1, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 252, entitled "An act relating to the disposition of moneys received from the United States for the support of the soldiers' home of the State of Washington."

The Senate ordered that the secretary report this bill to the House at once, and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE, SCHOOL AND GRANTED LANDS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 16, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on State, School and Granted Lands, to whom was referred House bill No. 221, entitled "An act to provide for an educational university," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass as amended.

In line 2, section 10, strike out the words "or mortgages on real estate security."

In line 7, section 19, strike out the words "ten thousand," and insert the words "twenty-five." In line 8, same section, strike out the word "twenty," and insert therefor the word "five."

Respectfully submitted.

J. C. MERRIFIELD, Chairman.

J. M. EDWARDS.

J. L. LIKINS.

H. D. SMITH.

H. HANSEN.

J. B. JOHNSTON.

PAUL LAND.

We concur in this report:

Moved by Mr. Powell, that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

The motion was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Lindstrom: Amend section 8, line 2, as follows: Insert between the words "on" and "Provided" the following: "Section 11, township 22 north, range 44 east W. M., near Fairfield."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. F. R. Baker: Strike out section 13.

The amendment was carried.

Amendment by Mr. Cline, to be known as section 1: It is hereby provided that there may be established a university under the name of the National Educational Association.

The amendment was carried.
Amendment by Mr. Witt: Strike out all of section 22 after the word "association."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Hicks: Strike out all after the word "dollars," in section 19, line 8.

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Hooper: In section 20, line 8, strike out the words "as are."

The amendment was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Roberts, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 55, noes 11, absent or not voting 12.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 1, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 188, entitled "An act relating to creating a forestry commission." By order of Senate, this bill is transmitted to the House immediately after passage.

And the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOGD, Assistant Secretary.

The chair appointed as an investigation committee on granted lands, the following: Messrs. Wilkeson, Roberts, and Guie.
Moved by Mr. Hodgdon, that when the House adjourn it be until 9 o'clock A.M., on Tuesday.

On vote, the motion was lost.

Moved, that we proceed to the introduction of bills.

On vote, the motion was adopted.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, ordered printed, and referred to appropriate committees:

House bill No. 621, by Mr. Guie (by request): An act relating to depositories of public money.

Referred to Committee on Banks and Banking.

House bill No. 622, by Mr. Cline: An act appropriating money to build a ditch in Whatcom county.

Referred to Committee on Dykes and Drainage.


Referred to Committee on Counties and County Boundaries.

House bill No. 624, by Mr. Irvin: An act to provide for the relief of persons who have heretofore paid the city of Olympia taxes, and assessments illegally assessed, and providing for the recovery of same.

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

House bill No. 625, by Mr. Hodgdon: An act recommending to the qualified electors of the State of Washington to vote at the next general election for or against a constitutional convention, and providing for said election.

Referred to Committee on Constitutional Revision.

House bill No. 626, by Mr. Witt: An act repealing an act relating to legal publications.

Referred to Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers.

House bill No. 627, by Mr. Hooper: An act relating to the regulation and control of common carriers doing business in the State of Washington.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

House bill No. 628, by Mr. Canutt: An act assessing for taxation promissory notes, mortgages, and other like contracts for the payment of money, and requiring that the same shall bear the assessor's stamp or endorsement.

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.
House concurrent resolution No. 25, by Mr. Jory: Relating to government purchase of telegraph system.
   Referred to Committee on Memorials.
House concurrent resolution No. 26, by Mr. Way: Asking investigation committee to determine an equitable system of tax assessment.
   Ordered placed on calendar, to be considered with Senate bill No. 263.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.
House bill No. 177 was reported back from the committee without recommendation.
House bill No. 561 was reported back from the committee without recommendation.
House bill No. 529 was reported back from the committee without recommendation.

Moved, that when we adjourn, it shall be until to-morrow at 9:30 o'clock A. M.
The motion was carried.
On vote, the House adjourned at 5:25 o'clock P. M.

S. P. Carusi, Chief Clerk.

FIFTY-FIRST DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

The House convened at 9:30 o'clock P. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.
The roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names except Messrs. Williams and Kittinger.
The journal of the preceding day was ordered read, and on motion of Mr. Canutt the same was ordered approved.
On motion, the House concurred in the Senate amendment to House bill No. 137, by Mr. Land.
REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED
BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House joint memorial No. 16, relative to the establishment of a national soldiers' home, at Fort Sherman, Idaho, has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.
Respectfully submitted. MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MR. SPEAKER:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 17, entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to amend section six (6) of an act entitled 'An act to prescribe the duties and fix the compensation of the reporter of the supreme court,' approved December 20, 1889, and declaring an emergency,' approved February 26, 1891," has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.
Respectfully submitted. MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MR. SPEAKER:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 318, entitled "An act providing for the disposition of certain funds collected for road purposes from the property subsequently included within the corporate limits of any city or town, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.
Respectfully submitted. MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 81, entitled "An act creating a bureau of labor, defining its duties, and appropriating money for its maintenance," has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.
Respectfully submitted. DAVID MITCHELL, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MR. SPEAKER:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 334, entitled "An act to aid in the support of the university of Washington," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof and found correctly engrossed.
Respectfully submitted. MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 367, entitled "An act to regulate
the practice of pharmacy, the licensing of persons to carry on such practice, and the sale of poisons in the State of Washington, defining crimes and misdemeanors and prescribing penalties in cases of the violation thereof, and repealing chapter 153 of the Session Laws of 1891, being entitled ‘An act to regulate the practice of pharmacy, the licensing of persons to carry on such practice, and the sale of poisons,’” etc., has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

Mr. F. R. Baker presented the following resolution, and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, We are rapidly nearing the end of this session of the legislature with hundreds of bills before us, only a few of which can be acted upon in the short time yet before us for work: therefore, be it

Resolved, That in order to secure action on the more important measures before this House, a committee of nine (9) shall be appointed by the speaker, said committee to select such bills as in their judgment are the most important, said bills to be placed upon the calendar and subject to the action of this House. This shall not affect the calendar for to-day, except such bills as are recommended for indefinite postponement.

Moved by Mr. Canutt, to lay the resolution on the table.
The motion was lost.
On vote, the resolution was adopted.
The following resolution was introduced by Mr. C. Smith:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That Mrs. Susie E. Barr be authorized to have the copy of the House Journal prepared for the printer, and the proof of the same read and a suitable index prepared for the same, at the same compensation that was allowed for a similar service by the House of Representatives in the year 1895.

The following substitute resolution was introduced by Mr. Freeman:

Resolved, That S. P. Carusi, chief clerk, be authorized to have the copy of the House Journal prepared for the printer, and the proof of the same read, and a suitable index prepared for the same.

On vote, the substitute was carried.
On vote, the substituted resolution was carried.
Moved by Mr. Hodgdon, that the rules be suspended and House bills Nos. 75 and 108 be taken up.
On vote, the motion was lost.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

House bill No. 115 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.
House bill No. 253 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Senate bill No. 69 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended; minority report, that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 364 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.

Senate bill No. 108 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.

Senate memorial No. 4 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 377 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 527 was reported back from the committee without recommendation.

House bill No. 528 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 531 was reported back from the committee without recommendation.

House bill No. 379 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 442 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 470 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 573 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 480 was reported back from the committee without recommendation.

House bill No. 389 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 408 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed; minority report, that it do pass.

House bill No. 199 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed; minority report, that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 431 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 477 was reported back from the committee with
House bill No. 295 was reported back from the committee without recommendation.

House bill No. 344 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 430 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 254 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 168 was reported back from the committee without recommendation.

House bill No. 265 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 215 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 320 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 270 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 289 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 471 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES AND GAME.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 1, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House bill No. 175, entitled "An act providing for the establishment of a fish hatchery upon the Skokomish river in Mason county, and making an appropriation therefor and for other purposes," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be referred to Committee on Appropriations.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

HANS HANSEN, Chairman.
J. Z. NELSON.
J. P. DE MATTOS.
E. L. KOHLER.
C. J. MOORE.
B. F. DAY.
J. M. EDWARDS.
W. L. FREEMAN.
Moved by Mr. Hicks, that House bill No. 175 be taken up and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the motion was lost.

Moved by Mr. Canutt, that the vote whereby House bill No. 52 was indefinitely postponed be reconsidered.

On vote, the motion was carried.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 55, noes 18, absent or not voting 5.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Barlow, Kittinger, Likins, Roberts, and Williams—5.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

On motion, the bill was ordered transmitted to the Senate under suspension of rules.

The speaker appointed the following committee as a sifting committee: Messrs. Baker F. R., Roberts, Warner, Witt, Pierson, de Mattos, Rader, Powell, and Bush C. P.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND BRIDGES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 16, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Roads and Bridges, to whom was referred House bill No. 182, entitled "An act providing for the survey and location of a wagon road and public highway from a point at or near Lyle, Klickitat county, State of Washington, from thence westward along the north bank of the Columbia river to a point at or near Washougal, Clarke county, and making an appropriation therefor," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass,
amended as follows. In: the first line of the title strike out words "and location" and substitute words "location and construction;" also, add to last line "and declaring an emergency;" strike out sections 1 to 9, inclusive, and substitute the following after the enacting clause: [ Substitute bill.]

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

F. I. PHELPS, Chairman.
C. J. MOORE.
A. S. BUSH.
PHIL. M. SMITH.
J. C. KINCAID.
C. E. MOHUNDO.
GEO. WINDUST.
E. L. KOEHLER.
A. T. TOBIASSEN.
HENRY CARR.

Amendment by Mr. Moore: Add to section 7, "Provided, That the viewers, provided for in this act, shall consist of the surveyor and two other persons, either axmen or chainmen, employed by said state board, who shall subscribe to the same oaths as provided by law for viewers of county roads."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Moore: In fourth line, after the words "county road," insert "The said board, after deducting the cost of said survey, shall expend the balance on that part of the surveyed route in such manner that the public may be able to travel the entire length of the road."

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was passed to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND BRIDGES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., FEBRUARY 16, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Roads and Bridges, to whom was referred House bill No. 428, entitled "An act providing for the survey and establishment of a state road, creating a commission, defining their duties and making an appropriation therefor," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass with the following amendments: 1st. After the word "commissioners" in line 3 of section 2 (printed bill), add the words "Provided, That the chairman of the board of county commissioners, of any county, should be unable to attend to the duties, he may select one of the other county commissioners to act as said state road commissioner." 2d. In section 5, line 2, for the
word "two" substitute the word "one," and for the figure "2" substitute the figure "1."

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

F. I. Phelp, Chairman.

J. C. Kincaid.

C. J. Moore.

A. S. Bush.

Henry Carr.

Geo. Windust.

C. E. Mohundro.

A. T. Tobiassen.

E. L. Koehler.

Phil. M. Smith.

Amendment by Mr. Kincaid: Add to section 7 the following:

"Provided, That the reviewers, provided for in this act, shall consist of the surveyor and two other persons, either axmen or chainmen, employed by said state board, who shall subscribe to the same oath as provided by law for viewers of county roads."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Lindstrom: Strike out in section 10, in lines 1 and 2, all after the word "receive," in line 1, and before the word "actual," in line 2.

The amendment was lost.

Moved by Mr. Kincaid, that the rules be suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the motion was lost.

The bill was passed to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 17, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 231, entitled "An act to amend section 87, Penal Code of Washington, relating to herding and driving sheep upon the lands of another," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass with the following amendments to printed bill:

In line 4 of section 1, strike out the word "another" and insert in place thereof the words, "an actual settler."

In line 5 of section 1, insert the word "half" between the words "one" and "mile."

In line 6 of section 1, strike out the word "another," and insert in place thereof the words "an actual settler."
In line 8 of section 2, insert the word “half” between the words “one” and “mile.”

Add the following proviso after the last word of section 2: “Provided, that nothing in this act shall be construed so as to prohibit any person from driving any cattle, horses, mules, asses, sheep or goats, from one range to another.”

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

CLEVELAND SMITH, Chairman.

GEO. WINDUST.

LEWIS LINDSTROM.

JOHN FORBES.

C. T. IRVIN.

J. O. COUCH.

H. D. JORY.

MINORITY REPORT.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., FEBRUARY 17, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, a minority of your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 281, entitled “An act to amend section 87, Penal Code of Washington, relating to herding and driving sheep upon the lands of another,” have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

A. MATHIOT.

GEO. H. BAKER.

Moved by Mr. Hicks, that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

On vote, the motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Caywood, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 45, noes 22, absent or not voting 11.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REVENUE AND TAXATION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 17, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Revenue and Taxation, to whom was referred House bill No. 311, entitled "An act providing for the proper charge of rebates allowed on taxes, and the proper disposition of penalties and interest collected on delinquent taxes," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass as amended. In line 1, section 2, after the word "collected" insert the words "and not distributed;" strike out section 3, and substitute therefor the clause "an emergency exists, and this act shall take effect immediately;" after the last word in the title add the words "and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully submitted.

E. W. WAY, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

B. F. DAY.

A. T. TOBIASSEN.

C. A. MENTZER.

B. S. SCOTT.

A. W. STUHRMAN.

GEO. B. KITTINGER.

W. L. FREEMAN.

S. D. HICKS.

R. W. CAYWOOD.

W. B. ROBERTS.

J. C. CONINE.

A. D. WARNER.

Amendment by Mr. Guie: Add to section 2, "Provided, That all moneys heretofore collected, or that shall hereafter be collected, from penalties and interest on delinquent city taxes, shall be credited to such city for the use and benefit of such city: Provided further, That the cost and expense of segregating or ascertaining the amounts due such cities, as aforesaid, shall be at the charge and expense of such city."

On motion, the amendment was adopted.

By Mr. Winsor: In section 2, line —, strike out the words "here­tofore collected."

On vote, the amendment was lost.

The bill was passed to third reading.
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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HARBORS AND WATERWAYS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 17, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Harbors and Waterways, to whom was referred House bill No. 35, entitled "An act relating to boom companies, prescribing their duties and fixing their liabilities, and for other purposes," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass as amended.

Section 6 be stricken out and insert in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 6. That in all actions hereafter tried wherein any boom company is sued for loss or injury to logs delivered to such boom company to be boomed, proof of loss or injury to such logs shall be prima facie evidence of negligence upon the part of said company. Ordinary high water shall not be deemed any excuse for such loss or injury.

Section 9, line 3, strike out the word "fifty" and insert the words "two hundred," also strike out the word "one" and insert the word "five."

Sections 10 and 11 entirely stricken out.

Respectfully submitted.

J. Z. NELSON, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

JOHN A. GILKEY.
PAUL LAND.
J. G. FRITZ.
J. D. HAGADORN.
J. B. LIBBY.
L. E. RADER.

Amendment by Mr. Guie.: In section 7, line 2, strike out the word "forty" and insert "sixty."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Powell: In section 1, line 2, strike out the words "or navigable."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Hargrave: Strike out section 4.

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Gilkey: In line 2, section 8, insert the word "person" after the word "association."

The amendment was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Koehler, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 52, noes 13, absent or not voting 13.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

On motion, the rules were suspended, and the bill ordered transmitted to the Senate at once.

An invitation was presented, by Mr. Marshall (by request), to the members to view the capitol foundation.

On motion of Mr. Marshall, the House adjourned at 12 o'clock m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House was called to order at 2 o'clock p. m. by Speaker Cline. A quorum being present, the House resumed business.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE BUILDINGS, PUBLIC GROUNDS AND LIBRARIES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 18, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on State Buildings, Public Grounds and Libraries, to whom was referred House bill No. 230, entitled "An act to amend sections 3 and 16 of an act entitled 'An act relating to the state library, and declaring an emergency,' approved March 8, 1893, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: In section 1, line 3, of printed bill, strike out the words "at his own cost." [Carried.] In section 1, line 7, after the word "o'clock," insert "and shall receive four hundred dollars ($400) per year as compensation therefor." [Carried.] In section 2, line 3, of printed bill, strike out the words "one thousand" and insert...
"eight hundred" in lieu thereof. [Lost.] Strike out all of section 3 to the word "an" in line 3. And as so amended, that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

DAVID MITCHELL, Chairman.
A. W. STUHRMAN.
J. O. EDWARDS.
HENRY CARR.
V. R. PIERSON.

On motion of Mr. J. B. Smith, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 61, noes 8, absent or not voting 14.


On vote, the emergency clause was passed: Ayes 61, noes 3, absent or not voting 14.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Bush C. P., Canutt, Clapp, Jory,

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

On motion, the rules were suspended, and the bill transmitted to the Senate at once.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER, OLYMPIA, WASH., March 2, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 172 substitute for Senate bill No. 81, entitled "An act to amend section 2 of an act approved March 26, 1890, relating to the soldiers' home," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER, OLYMPIA, WASH., March 2, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 149, entitled "An act relating to contracts of insurance," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER, OLYMPIA, WASH., March 2, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 237, entitled "An act for the prevention of forest fires," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER, OLYMPIA, WASH., March 2, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate concurrent resolution No. 22, relative to the publication of Senate and House journals, and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CORPORATIONS OTHER THAN MUNICIPAL.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, OLYMPIA, WASH., February 18, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Corporations other than Municipal, to whom was referred House bill No. 308, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation and to regulate the business of co-operative mining companies," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows:
In section 2, line 1, of printed bill, strike out the word "duplicate," and insert the word "triplicate." In same section, line 8, strike out the word "make," and insert in lieu thereof the word "transmit." In same section, line 5, strike out the words "and transmit it." To line 6, in same section, add the following, "and it shall be filed in the office of said company."

In section 6, line 3, after the word "on," add a comma. In same line, after the second word "stock," add the words "which fee shall not exceed twenty-five cents for each certificate."

In section 8, line 12, strike out the words "with the governor," and insert in lieu thereof the words "in his office." In same line, after the word "and," insert the word "transmit." In line 13, same section, strike out the first word "with," and insert the word "to." In the same line, after the word "receive," insert the words "and collect for the State of Washington." In line 14, same section, after the word "examined," insert the words "a fee of." In line 15, strike out the word "ten," and insert in lieu thereof the word "five." In line 16, strike out the word "any," and insert the word "and." In same section, after line 17, add the following words, "in addition to mileage and such fees shall be paid into the general fund." In line 18, same section, after the word "conducted," insert the words "he shall report to." Before the first word of line 19, insert the word "who." In same line, strike out the word "charter," and insert in lieu thereof the words "articles of incorporation."

In section 12, line 3, between the words "in" and "warrants," insert the word "state."

In section 15, line 3, strike out the word "enactment," and insert in lieu thereof the word "passage."

And as so amended, said bill do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

F. R. Baker, Chairman.

Cleveland Smith.

J. L. Canutt.

Thos. Winsor.

E. H. Guie.


A. D. Warner.

J. O. Edwards.

Amendment by Mr. Hicks: In section 8, line 14, strike out the word "ten" and insert the word "six."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Johnston: Amend section 13, in line 9, by striking out the words "and paying a license fee of twenty-five dollars" and insert the words "and payment of fees as provided by law in case of other corporations."

On motion of Mr. C. Smith, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.
On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 64, noes 2, absent or not voting 12.


On vote, the emergency clause passed: Ayes 64, noes 2, absent or not voting 12.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RAILROADS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 18, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred House bill No. 356 entitled "An act requiring common carriers to carry bicycles as
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baggage, free of charge," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass, with the following amendments: Insert the words "and baby carriages" in the title, between the words "bicycle" and "as." In line 4 of section 1, insert the words "or baby carriages" between the words "bicycle" and "with" (printed bill). In line 2 of section 2, insert the words "or baby carriage" between the words "bicycle" and "with" (printed bill). In line 4 of section 2, of printed bill, strike out the words "in the amount of," and in line 5 of said section strike out the words "ten dollars ($10)." In line 5 of section 2 of printed bill, strike out the word "in," where same appears between the words "in" and "any," and insert in lieu thereof the words "before a justice of the peace or,"

Respectfully submitted. J. L. CANUTT, Chairman.

We concur in this report: J. P. DE MATTOS.

J. G. FRITZ.

J. C. MERRIFIELD.

W. B. ROBERTS.

MILES T. HOOPER.

CHAS. H. WOLF.

C. E. MOHUNDRO.

J. B. SMITH.

THERON STAFFORD.

By request, Mr. Phelps was excused for the day.

Mr. Witt moved that the vote whereby the words "baby carriages," as an amendment, was lost, be reconsidered.

The motion was lost.

Moved, to lay the amendment on the table.

The motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Barlow, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 45, noes 22, absent or not voting 11.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

On motion, the bill was ordered transmitted to the Senate, under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMPENSATION AND FEES OF STATE AND COUNTY OFFICERS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 19, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers, to whom was referred House bill No. 369, entitled "An act to regulate the salaries of certain county officers of Cowlitz county herein named," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows, and, as so amended, do pass:

In line 1, section 1, strike out the word "instruction" and insert the word "schools," to make the name conform to the proper title of that official.

Respectfully submitted. C. A. MENTZER, Chairman.

We concur in this report: W. L. FREEMAN.
A. MATHIOT.
LEWIS LINDSTROM.
C. S. BARLOW.
HANS HANSEN.
GEO. M. WITT.

Amendment by Mr. Hargrave: Substitute for section 3 the following:

SEC. 3. Prior to the general election to be held in November, 1898, and every two years thereafter, the board of county commissioners shall fix the salaries of the aforesaid county officers according to the duties to be performed in their respective offices, and within the limitation of section 1 of this act.

Amendment by Mr. Land: In section 1, line 3, insert the figures "$900" in place of the figures "$800."

On vote, the amendment was lost.

On motion of Mr. Hargrave, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.
On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 52, noes 13, absent or not voting 13.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AFFAIRS AND SOLDIERS' HOME.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., FEBRUARY 20, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Military Affairs and Soldiers' Home, to whom was referred House bill No. 394, entitled "An act to amend section 1285, Hill's Annotated Code of the State of Washington, volume 1, in relation to the soldiers' home," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows, and as so amended do pass: After the word "marines," section 1, line 3 (printed bill), insert "or soldiers or sailors of the Mexican war."

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

J. B. SMITH, Chairman.
CLEVELAND SMITH.
C. E. MOHUNDRO.
G. N. HODGDON.
PAUL LAND.
J. B. JOHNSTON.
C. P. BUSH.

Mr. Warner was called to the chair at 3:15 o'clock P. M.

On motion of Mr. Day, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.
On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 59, noes 1, absent or not voting 18.


Noes: Mr. Smith H. D.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Roads and Bridges, to whom was referred House bill No. 66, entitled "An act providing for the survey and location of a wagon road and public highway from a point at or near Montesano, in the county of Chehalis, State of Washington, by way of North River valley, Willapa, South Bend, the Nehma river and Nase! river valleys, to a point on the Columbia river at or near Knapton, or 'Hungry Harbor,' and making an appropriation therefor," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass amended as follows:

In section 3, line 1 of printed bill, substitute the figure "$3" for the figures "$3.50."

Second: In section 5, line 1, after the figures "$2,500," insert "or so much thereof as may be necessary."

Third: Strike out sections 7, 8 and 9.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

F. I. Phelps, Chairman.
C. E. Mohundra.
GEO. Windust.
J. D. Hagadorn.
Henry Carr.
A. S. Bush.
C. J. Moore.
J. C. Kincaid.

The bill was passed to third reading.
STATE OF WASHINGTON.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AFFAIRS AND SOLDIERS' HOME.
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 20, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Military Affairs and Soldiers' Home, to whom was referred House bill No. 427, entitled "An act to provide for the custody and preservation of the records and mementos of the Grand Army of the Republic," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows, and as so amended do pass:

SEC. 8. The officials in charge of the capitol building, when constructed, shall set apart a room in said capitol for the use of the Grand Army of the Republic, department of Washington and Alaska: Provided, That when not so used, said room shall be in charge of the adjutant general of the state for the purpose mentioned in sections 1 and 2 of this act.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

CLEVELAND SMITH.
C. E. MOHUNDO.
G. N. HODGDON.
PAUL LAND.
J. B. JOHNSTON.
C. P. BUSH.

The bill was passed to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS AND AUDITING.
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 19, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Claims and Auditing, to whom was referred House bill No. 332, entitled "An act for the relief of William Monks and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass amended as follows: In line 5, of section 1, substitute for "$444" the figures "$420."

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

C. J. MOORE, Chairman.

John Forbes.
J. PARKER.
C. S. BARLOW.
HENRY CARR.

On motion of Mr. Wilkeson, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

Moved, that the vote by which the bill was placed on its final passage be reconsidered.

The motion was carried.

The bill was passed to its third reading.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 19, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 328, entitled "An act to permit interested persons to sue upon certain bonds without assignment, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: Strike out section 2; strike out the words "and declaring an emergency" from the title, and as so amended that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.
E. H. GUIE.
J. B. JOHNSTON.
W. L. FREEMAN.
J. H. POWELL.
H. K. STRUVE.
H. D. SMITH.
A. D. WARNER.
J. M. GERAGHTY.

The bill was advanced to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 472, entitled "An act to establish a general, uniform system of public schools in the State of Washington, etc.," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted.

A. L. TOBIASSEN, Acting Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Wilkeson, House bill No. 332 was indefinitely postponed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 19, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 337, entitled "An act providing for the payment of the fees of grand and petit jurors, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows:
 Strike out section 2; strike out the words "and declaring an emergency" in the title, and as so amended that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted.  
Solon T. Williams, Chairman.

We concur in this report:  
E. H. Guir.
H. K. Struve.
J. B. Johnston.
L. E. Rader.
A. D. Warner.
J. M. Geraghty.
W. L. Freeman.

The bill was advanced to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND LABOR STATISTICS.

House of Representatives,  
Olympia, Wash., February 17, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics, to whom was referred House bill No. 100, entitled "An act to regulate employment bureaus and offices," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed, and the new bill hereto attached substituted therefor, and that said substitute bill do pass.

Respectfully submitted.  
Paul Land, Chairman.

We concur in this report:  
J. O. Edwards.
A. T. Tobiassen.
Cleveland Smith.
D. R. Lusher.
F. I. Phelps.
J. A. Gilkey.

On motion, the substitute bill, No. 629, was ordered passed to third reading, and that House bill No. 100 be indefinitely postponed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON COMPENSATION AND FEES STATE AND COUNTY OFFICERS.

House of Representatives,  
Olympia, Wash., February 13, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Compensation and Fees State and County Officers, to whom was referred House bill No. 374, entitled "An act regulating the pay of members and employes of the legislature, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.  
A. Mathiot.
C. S. Barlow.
Phil. M. Smith.
W. L. Freeman.
We, a minority of your Committee on Compensation and Fees State and County Officers, to whom was referred House bill No. 274, entitled “An act regulating the pay of members and employees of the legislature, and declaring an emergency,” have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

On motion, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

We, a majority of your Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House bill No. 824, entitled “An act to amend an act directing the state treasurer to invest certain money in the tide land fund in general warrants, and declaring an emergency,” approved January 22, 1897, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that the bill hereto attached be substituted for House bill No. 824, and that the substitute do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

On motion, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

We, a minority of your Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House bill No. 824, entitled “An act to amend an act directing the state treasurer to invest certain money in the tide land fund in general warrants, and declaring an emergency,” approved January 22, 1897, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the
same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that both House bill No. 324 and substitute bill be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

C. S. Barlow.

Moved, that the substitute bill be indefinitely postponed.

On vote, the motion was lost.

On vote, the substitute bill was adopted.

On motion, the substitute bill was ordered passed to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your committee on Roads and Bridges, to whom was referred House bill No. 326, entitled "An act providing for the use of wagons with wide rims on the public highways of the State of Washington," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed and the attached committee bill be substituted.

Respectfully submitted.

F. I. Phelps, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

C. E. Mohundro.

Geo. Windust.

J. D. Hagadorn.

Henry Carr.

A. S. Bush.

C. J. Moore.

J. C. Kincaid.

Mr. Struve was excused for the day.

The speaker resumed the chair at 4:20 o'clock p.m.

Moved by Mr. Witt, that the substitute bill and original bill be indefinitely postponed.

The motion was lost.

On vote, the substitute bill was adopted.

On motion, the bill was laid over for deferred action.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 299, entitled "An act to reduce the number of superior judges from twenty-one to twelve," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with
the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed, and that the sub-
stitute hereto attached do pass.
Respectfully submitted.  
Solon T. Williams, Chairman.

We concur in this report:  
E. H. Guie.  
J. B. Johnston.  
W. L. Freeman.  
A. D. Warner.  
J. M. Geraghty.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the rules were suspended, the
second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed,
and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 62, noes 6, absent or not vot-
ing 10.

Ayes: Messrs. Ames, Baker F. R., Baker G. H., Baker S. W.,
Barlow, Bush A. S., Bush C. P., Canutt, Carr, Caywood, Clapp,
Conine, Couch, Day, de Mattos, Edwards J. M., Edwards J. O.,
Freeman, Fritz, Forbes, Geraghty, Gerry, Gilkey, Hansen, Har-
grave, Hicks, Hodgdon, Hooper, Irvin, Johnston, Jory, Kncaid,
Koehler, Land, Lindstrom, Lusher, Mathiot, Mentzer, Merrifield,
Mohundro, Moore, McAtee, Nelson, Parker, Rader, Richmond,
Roberts, Ross, Smith C., Smith H. D., Smith J. B., Stafford,
Stuhrman, Tobiassen, Warner, Winsor, Wilkeson, Way, Witt,
Wolf, Windust, and Mr. Speaker — 62.

Noes: Messrs. Guie, Marshall, Mitchell, Powell, Scott, and
Thacker — 6.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Hagadorn, Kittinger, Levin,
Libby, Likins, Phelps, Pierson, Smith P. M., Struve, and Will-
iams— 10.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to
stand as the title of the act.

On motion, the rules were suspended, and the bill ordered trans-
mitted to the Senate at once.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 354 was read the third time, and placed on its
passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 59, noes 5, absent or not vot-
ing 14.

Ayes: Messrs. Ames, Baker G. H., Baker S. W., Barlow, Bush
A. S., Bush C. P., Canutt, Carr, Clapp, Conine, Couch, Day, de
Mattos, Edwards J. O., Freeman, Fritz, Forbes, Guie, Geraghty,


The emergency clause was passed: Ayes 59, noes 5, absent or not voting 14.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Moved by Mr. Kincaid, to take up House bill No. 73 for third reading.

On vote, the motion was lost.

House bill No. 149 was read the third time.

On motion of Mr. Stafford, the bill was returned to second reading.

Amendment by Mr. Stafford: Add the following proviso at end of section 1, "that this act shall not apply to excursion tickets sold at less than regular rates."

The amendment was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Stafford, the rules were suspended, the second
reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 52, noes 9, absent or not voting 17.


There being no objection, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Moved that when the House adjourn, it be to 7:30 o'clock p. m.

Amendment by Mr. Marshall: That we adjourn to 9 o'clock a. m. to-morrow.

On vote, the amended motion was adopted.

House bill No. 322 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 61, noes 0, absent or not voting 17.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Caywood, Edwards J. O., Guie,

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House memorial No. 10 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On motion, action on House memorial No. 10 was deferred.

Moved by Mr. Ross, that we do now adjourn.

On vote, the motion was lost.

House bill No. 418, substitute bill for House bill No. 33, was read the third time.

Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, to lay the bill on the table.

The motion was carried.

House bill No. 260 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 47, noes 4, absent or not voting 27.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

On motion, the House adjourned at 5:25 o'clock P. M.

S. P. Carusi, Chief Clerk.

Chas. E. Cline, Speaker.
Pursuant to adjournment, the House convened at 9 o'cloak A. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

The roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names except Mr. Williams, excused.

The journal of the preceding day was read and approved.

Moved by Mr. Marshall, that House bill No. 620 be printed at once.

The motion was carried.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills, respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 231, entitled "An act to amend section 87, Penal Code of Washington, relating to herding and driving sheep upon the lands of another," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. DAVID MITCHELL, Acting Chairman.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 230, entitled "An act to amend sections 3 and 16 of an act entitled 'An act relating to the state library, and declaring an emergency,' approved March 8, 1893, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. L. E. RADER, Acting Chairman.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 66, entitled "An act providing for the survey and location of a wagon road and public highway from a point at or near Montesano, in the county of Chehalis, State of Washington," etc., has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. H. D. JORY, Chairman.
Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 311, entitled "An act providing for the proper charge of rebates allowed on taxes and the proper disposition of penalties and interest collected on delinquent taxes," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted.  DAVID MITCHELL, Acting Chairman.

Mr. Speaker:

Your committee on Enrolled and Engrossed bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 85, entitled "An act relating to boom companies, prescribing their duties and fixing their liabilities, and for other purposes," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted.  DAVID MITCHELL, Acting Chairman.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 428, entitled "An act providing for the survey and establishment of a state road, creating a commission, defining their duties, and making an appropriation therefor," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted.  DAVID MITCHELL, Acting Chairman.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 182, entitled "An act providing for the survey, location and constructing of a wagon road and public highway from a point at or near Lyle, Klickitat county, State of Washington, from thence westward along the north bank of the Columbia river to a point at or near Washougal, Clarke county, and making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted.  L. E. RADER, Acting Chairman.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 391, entitled "An act to amend section 1285, Hill's Annotated Code of the State of Washington, volume one (1), in relation to the soldier's home," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted.  L. E. RADER, Acting Chairman.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No 52, entitled "An act to provide for the amendment of section 23 of article 2, and sections 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21 and 22 of article 3, and section 14 of article 4 of the constitution of the
State of Washington, relative to the reduction of the salaries of state officers, judges of the superior court and members of the legislature," has, been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. L. E. RADER, Acting Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 224, entitled "An act to provide for the selection, survey, management, reclamation, lease and disposition of the state's granted school, tide, oyster and other lands, harbor areas, and for the confirmation and completion of the several grants to the state by the United States; creating a board of appraisers and a board of harbor line commissioners, as required by articles 15 and 16 of the state constitution, which shall be generally known as the board of state land commissioners; defining their duties and making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 308, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation and to regulate the business of co-operative mining companies, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. A. T. TOBIASSEN, Acting Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 369, entitled "An act to regulate the salaries of certain county officers of Cowlitz county, herein named," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills, have selected the following additional clerks for use in our department, to be sworn in as needed, in the order named, and ask that they be elected by the House: Jennie E. Sickels, Etta Phipps, John B. Anderson, Mrs. Wirick, and Prof. Roberts.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

On motion, the report was adopted.
MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Claims and Auditing, to whom was referred sundry accounts, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that they be allowed as follows: To the Olympia Light and Power Company, $67.25; to E. C. Bickford, for 1 table, $1.75; to J. Meacham, for one rotary stool, $2.50; to J. A. Hellman, for drayage, 50 cents; to M. O'Connor, for stationery and supplies, $96.20.

Respectfully submitted.

C. J. MOORE, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

JOHN FORBES.
HENRY CARR.
ROBERT GERRY.
JOHN L. CANUTT.
C. S. BARLOW.

On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

House bill No. 509 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 539 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 487 was reported back from the committee without recommendation.

Senate bill No. 66 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

Senate bill No. 104 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 568 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

SENATE BUSINESS.

The following Senate bills were read first time, and referred to the appropriate committees:

Concurrent resolution No. 21, by Senator Taylor: In relation to distribution of Session Laws of 1897.

Referred to Committee on Printing and Supplies.

Concurrent resolution No. 22, by Senator Taylor: Relative to the publication of Senate and House Journals.

Referred to Committee on Printing and Supplies.
Senate bill No. 237, by Senator Lesh: An act for the prevention of forest fires.
Referred to Committee on Forestry and Horticulture.

Senate bill No. 224, substitute for Senate bill No. 98, by Senator Dorr: Relative to taxation of fire insurance companies.
Referred to Committee on Insurance.

Senate bill No. 172, substitute for Senate bill No. 81, by Committee on State Charitable Institutions: An act to amend section 2 of an act approved March 26, 1890, relating to the soldiers' home.
Referred to Committee on Military Affairs.

Senate bill No. 149, by Senator Warburton: An act relating to contracts of insurance.
Referred to Committee on Insurance.

Referred to Committee on Claims and Auditing.

Senate bill No. 162, substitute for House bill No. 111, by Committee on Education: An act to permit farmers, gardeners and manufacturers to dispose of the products of their labor.
Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

Senate memorial No. 8, by Committee on Memorials: In relation to the election of United States senator.
Referred to Committee on Memorials.

Referred to the Committee on Memorials.

Senate bill No. 4, by Senator Hill: An act to provide for submitting an amendment to article 6 of the Constitution of the State of Washington, embodying the right of woman suffrage.
Referred to Committee on Constitutional Revision.

Senate bill No. 188, by Senator Lesh: Relating to creating a forestry commission.
Referred to Committee on Forestry and Horticulture.

Senate bill No. 252, by Senator T. J. Miller: An act relating to the disposition of moneys received from the United States for the support of the soldiers' home of the State of Washington, etc.
Referred to Committee on Military Affairs and Soldiers' Home.
Senate bill No. 86, by Senator Yeend: An act to amend an act entitled "An act to amend section 5 of an act appropriating money for the purchase of material, and regulating the manufacture and sale of jute and other fabrics, and brick at the state penitentiary," approved March 20, 1895, and prescribing a penalty for the violation of the provisions thereof.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

Senate bill No. 148, by Senator Cole, an act for the regulating of the sale of property under execution and decrees, was read the first time by title, and on motion of Mr. Phelps, the rules were suspended, the bill read a second and third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 63, noes 10, absent or not voting 5.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Libby, Mitchell, Powell, Smith P. M., and Williams—5.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 3, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has refused to concur in House amendment to Senate bill No. 103, "An act to amend sections 12 and 13 of an act entitled 'An act to define, regulate and govern the state penitentiary, and declaring an emergency.'" and the same is herewith returned to the House for action.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.
Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 5, entitled "An act relating to the duration of judgments, and repealing sections 462 and 463, volume 2, Hill's Code of Washington," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives without recommendation.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 5, entitled "An act relating to the duration of judgments, and repealing sections 462 and 463, volume 2, Hill's Code of Washington," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives without recommendation.

Respectfully submitted.

SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

J. M. GERAGHTY.
J. B. JOHNSTON.
E. W. WAY.
E. H. GUIE.
W. H. TH ACKER.
L. E. RADER.
J. P. DE MATTOS.

Senate bill No. 5, by Senator Taylor, was read the second time.

On motion of Mr. Wolf, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 63, noes 12, absent or not voting 3.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 111, as amended in the Senate, was read and concurred in by the House.
Senate concurrent resolution No. 17 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On motion, the vote of the House was recorded by the clerk.

The bill was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC MORALS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 24, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Public Morals, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 19, entitled "An act to protect manufacturers, bottlers and dealers in ale, porters, lager beer, soda, mineral water and other beverages from the loss of their casks, barrels, kegs, bottles and boxes," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

J. C. CONINE, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

MILES T. HOOPER.

D. R. LUSHER.

H. D. JORY.

On motion of Mr. Ross, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 57, noes 11, absent or not voting 10.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Moved by Mr. Hargrave, that the House recede from its amendments to Senate bill No. 103.

On vote, the motion was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRINTING AND SUPPLIES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 28, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Printing and Supplies, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 106, entitled "An act providing for the purchase of stationery, desk supplies and furnishings required by the state legislature," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass amended as follows: First. In the third line of the title strike out the word "legislature." Second. In section 1, line 3, strike out the word "legislature" and insert "officers."

Respectfully submitted.

W. B. ROBERTS, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

Jas. Hugh Ross.

F. I. Phelps.

Thos. Winsor.

On motion of Mr. Roberts, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 70, noes 2, absent or not voting 6.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

On motion, the rules were suspended, and the bill ordered sent to the Senate immediately.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 24, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 93, entitled “An act granting a bounty for the encouragement of the production and manufacture of sugar in the State of Washington,” have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

CLEVELAND SMITH, Chairman.

GEO. WINDUST.

H. D. JORY.

A. MATHIOT.

JOHN FORBES.

C. T. IRVIN.

LEWIS LINDSTROM.

Amendment by Mr. C. P. Bush: In section 2, strike out the figure and word “(4) four” and insert the figure and word “(5) five.”

Amended by Mr. Roberts to insert the words “four and one-half.”

The amendment was lost.

On vote, the amendment of Mr. C. P. Bush was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Roberts, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 64, noes 13, absent or not voting 1.


Absent or not voting: Mr. Williams.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

On motion, the rules were suspended, and the bill ordered sent to the Senate at once.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 25, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 56, entitled "An act relating to trade marks," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives without recommendation.

Respectfully submitted.

S. T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

J. P. DE MATTOS.

W. H. THACKER.

L. E. RADER.

J. M. GERAGHTY.

E. H. GUIE.

E. W. WAY.

J. H. POWELL.

A. D. WARNER.

H. K. STRUVE.

H. D. SMITH.

On motion of Mr. Wolf, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 60, noes 6, absent or not voting 12.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CITIES OF THE FIRST CLASS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 26, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Cities of the First Class, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 9, entitled "An act providing for the sale of real property, to foreclose liens created for internal improvements in cities of the first class, declaring that such liens shall be a first lien, prohibiting vexatious litigation, providing for the confirmation of assessment rolls, the redemption from sale, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

JAS. HUGH ROSS, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

JOHN FORBES.

G. B. KITTINGER.

SOLON T. WILLIAMS.

J. M. GERAGHTY.

Moved by Mr. Roberts, that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Geraghty, the rules were suspended, and Senator Plummer was given ten minutes to explain the bill.

On vote, the House adjourned at 12 o’clock m.
AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House convened at 2 o'clock P. M.; Speaker Cline presiding. A quorum being present, business was proceeded with. Senate bill No. 9, by Senator Plummer, was further discussed. On vote, the motion to indefinitely postpone was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Roberts: Add to section 2, "Provided, That when property is to be sold for such assessment, summons and complaint shall be served upon such delinquents in all cases such as is had in other civil cases."

The amendment was lost.

Amendments by Mr. Johnston: In section 2, line 4, insert after the word "owners" the words "as may be provided by ordinance," and strike out the word "published."

In line 15, section 2, strike out the word "five," between the words "within" and "days," and insert the word "twenty."

The amendments were adopted.

In section 5, line 5, strike out the words "and in addition thereto, and twenty dollars attorney's fee."

The amendment was adopted.

In section 5, last clause to read, "but in such proceeding the plaintiff shall execute a good and sufficient bond, conditioned to pay all costs and damages."

The amendment was lost.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 3, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has refused to concur in the House amendments to Senate bill No. 93, entitled "An act granting a bounty for the encouragement of the production and manufacture of sugar in the State of Washington," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

In line 17, section 6, insert after the words "assessment roll,"

"which shall be furnished by the city clerk."

The amendment was adopted.

Strike out all of section 4 from the word "paid," in line 8.

The amendment was adopted.

Amendments by Mr. Warner: In section 2, line 21, strike out...
the words "on same day," and insert the words "within three
days after."

The amendment was adopted.

In section 3, line 23, strike out the word "without," and insert
the word "by."

The amendment was lost.

On motion of Mr. Geraghty, the rules were suspended, the second
reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and
placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 51, noes 20, absent or not
voting 7.

P., Canutt, Carr, Conine, de Mattos, Freeman, Fritz, Forbes, Ger-
aghty, Gerry, Hagadorn, Hansen, Hargrave, Hodgdon, Johnston,
Jory, Kincaid, Koehler, Land, Likins, Lindstrom, Lusher, Mentzer,
Merrifield, Mitchell, Mohundro, Moore, McAtee, Nelson, Phelps,
Pierson, Rader, Richmond, Ross, Scott, Smith C., Smith H. D.,
Smith J. B., Smith P. M., Stuhrman, Struve, Warner, Winsor,

Noes: Messrs. Baker G. H., Barlow, Caywood, Clapp, Couch,
Edwards J. M., Guie, Gilkey, Hicks, Hooper, Kittinger, Levin,
Libby, Mathiot, Parker, Powell, Roberts, Stafford, Thacker, and
Tobiassen—20.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Ames, Day, Edwards J. O., Irvin,
Marshall, Williams, and Mr. Speaker—7.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to
stand as the title of the act.

On motion, the rules were suspended, and the bill ordered sent
to the Senate at once.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 3, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has amended House bill No. 117, entitled "An act relating
to cleaning out and clearing of streams in this state," as follows: Insert
after the word "sound," the words "or its tributaries, north of 47° 40
north latitude," and the same is herewith returned.

The president of the Senate has signed House bill No. 81, entitled "An
act creating a bureau of labor, defining its duties, and appropriating
money for its maintenance."

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Also, House bill No. 17, An act prescribing the duties and fixing the compensation of the reporter of the supreme court.

Also, House joint resolution No. 16, Relative to the establishment of a soldiers' home at Fort Sherman, Idaho.

And the same are herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENA.TE CH.AMBER,
OLYMPIA, WA.SH., March 3, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has amended House memorial No. 12, relative to recognizing services of Wm. A. Newell, etc., as follows: After the word "Newell," in second line of last paragraph, insert "And be it further resolved, That a copy of this memorial be sent to the legislature and to the governor of the State of New Jersey," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAYGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WA.SH., February 26, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 21, entitled "An act amending section 2415, volume 1, Hill’s Annotated Code of Washington, in relation to an act for bond of contractors for security of laborers," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, without recommendation.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

S. T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

J. M. GERAGHTY.

J. B. JOHNSTON.

E. W. WAY.

E. H. GURIE.

W. H. THACKER.

L. E. RADER.

J. P. DE MATTOS.

On motion of Mr. Ross, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 68, noes 3, absent or not voting 7.

The title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 26, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 22, entitled "An act providing for a lien for employes," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, without recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

Solon T. Williams, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

J. M. Geraghty.
J. B. Johnston.
E. W. Way.
E. H. Guie.
W. H. Thacker.
L. E. Rader.
J. P. de Mattos.

Mr. Warner was called to the chair, at 2:30 o'clock P. M.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, and the bill placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 56, noes 7, absent or not voting 15.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Moved by Mr. Nelson, that the House concur in Senate amendment to House bill No. 117.

The motion was carried.

Moved by Mr. Roberts, that the Senate be notified of the refusal of the House to recede from House amendment to Senate bill No. 93.

Amendment by Mr. Witt: "And that a conference committee of three be appointed."

The amendment was adopted.

Motion, as amended, was adopted.

The chair appointed as such committee, Messrs. Roberts, Witt, and Scott.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 27, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 181, entitled "An act authorizing the bringing of suits for the distribution of funds of insolvent insurance companies, in the hands of the treasurer of the state," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

SOLON T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

J. P. DE MATTOS.

H. D. SMITH.

L. E. RADER.

W. B. ROBERTS.

A. D. WARNER.

J. B. JOHNSTON.

W. H. THACKER.

On motion of Mr. Forbes, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 70, noes 1, absent or not voting 7.

Ayes: Messrs. Ames; Baker F. R., Baker G. H., Baker S. W., Barlow, Bush A. S., Bush C. P., Canutt, Carr, Caywood, Clapp,

Noses: Mr. Marshall.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Libby, Pierson, Scott, Struve, Williams, Wilkeson, and Mr. Speaker—7.

On vote, the emergency clause was passed: Ayes 70, noes 1, absent or not voting 7.


Noses: Mr. Marshall.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Libby, Pierson, Scott, Struve, Williams, Wilkeson, and Mr. Speaker—7.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC MORALS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., MARCH 1, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Public Morals, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 77, entitled "An act relating to the incorporation and regulation of cemetery associations," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

J. C. CONINE, Chairman.

MILES T. HOOPER.

D. R. LUSHER.

We concur in this report.
On motion, the report of the committee was adopted.

Moved by Mr. Conine, that the House concur in Senate amendment to House memorial No. 12.

The motion was carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND LABOR STATISTICS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASH., March 1, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Labor and Labor Statistics, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 108, entitled "An act to prevent the unauthorized interference with electric meters, wires and cables used for measuring and conducting electric currents," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass as amended: In section 1, line 1, strike out the words "cut, break, injure."

Respectfully submitted. PAUL LAND, Chairman.

We concur in this report: J. A. GILKEY.

J. O. EDWARDS.

J. D. HAGADORN.

D. R. LUSHER.

F. R. BAKER.

J. M. EDWARDS.

F. I. PHELPS.

On motion of Mr. Land, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 64, noes 1, absent or not voting 13.


Noes: Mr. Canutt.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS AND AUDITING.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., FEBRUARY 27, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Claims and Auditing, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 69, entitled "An act for the relief of the widow of H. C. Ashenfelter, deceased, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass in the sum of $3,751.25, and amended by adding the following section: "Sec. 2. The state auditor is hereby authorized to draw a warrant on the state treasurer for the said amount, and the state treasurer is hereby directed to pay said warrant out of any funds in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated."

Respectfully submitted.

C. J. Moore, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

GEO. H. Baker.
J. L. Canutt.
John Forbes.
C. S. Barlow.
S. D. Hicks.
Phil. M. Smith.

MINORITY REPORT.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., FEBRUARY 27, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, a minority of your Committee on Claims and Auditing, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 69, entitled "An act for the relief of the widow of H. C. Ashenfelter, deceased, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

ROBT. Gerry.
Henry Carr.

The speaker resumed the chair at 4 o'clock p.m.

Moved by Mr. Hodgdon, that the majority report be adopted.

On vote, the motion carried.

On motion of Mr. Kittinger, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 55, noes 16, absent or not voting 7.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Clapp, Gilkey, Hargrave, Levin, Phelps, Pierson, and Williams—7.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

On motion, the rules were suspended, and the bill ordered sent to the Senate forthwith.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMORIALS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 1, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Memorials, to whom was referred Senate memorial No. 4, by Senator High. have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

GEORGE WINDUST, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

F. R. BAKER.
H. D. SMITH.
A. MATHIOT.
HANS HANSEN.
C. J. MOORE.

On motion of Mr. C. P. Bush, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the memorial considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the memorial failed to pass: Ayes 17, noes 52, absent or not voting 9.


House bill No. 119 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 58, noes 6, absent or not voting 14.


Noes: Messrs. Kincaid, Merrifield, McAtee, Stafford, Stuhrman, and Mr. Speaker—6.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 3, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has amended House bill No. 135, entitled "An act for the protection of men working in coal mines, and declaring an emergency," as follows: Emergency clause stricken from title. Amend section 4, line 9 of the printed bill, by inserting after the first word "split," "Provided, That where the inspector gives permission in writing a greater number than seventy-five men, but not to exceed one hundred men, may be employed in each of said splits: Provided, also, That in all mines already developed, where, in the opinion of the mining inspector, the system of splitting the air cannot be adopted except at extraordinary or unreasonable expense, such mine or mines will not be required to adopt said split air system, and the owner or operator of any coal mine shall have the right of appeal from any order requiring the air to be split, to the exam-
ining board provided for in section 1 of this act, and said board shall, after investigation, confirm or revoke the orders of the mining inspector," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 3, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has refused to concur in House amendments to Senate bill No. 106, An act to provide for the purchasing of stationery, desk supplies and furnishings for the state legislature, and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

Moved by Mr. C. P. Bush, that when the House adjourn it be until 7:30 o'clock p. m.
The motion was carried.

Moved by Mr. C. P. Bush, that House bill No. 418 be taken from the table for consideration.
The motion was carried.

Mr. Kittinger was excused for the session.
House bill No. 418 was read the third time.

Moved, that the House refuse to recede from House amendment to Senate bill No. 106.
The motion was carried.

Moved by Mr. J. O. Edwards, that the House concur in Senate amendment to House bill No. 135.
The motion was carried.

On motion of Mr. Geraghty, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, and House bill No. 418 placed on its final passage.

Moved by Mr. Warner, to reconsider the vote on suspension of the rules.
The motion was carried.

Moved by Mr. Warner, that the House do now adjourn.
On vote, the motion was lost.

Moved by Mr. Forbes, that the vote by which the House agreed to adjourn to 7:30 o'clock p. m. be reconsidered.
The motion was carried.

Moved by Mr. Forbes, that we adjourn until 9 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.
The motion was carried.
The House adjourned at 5 o'clock p. m.

S. P. CARUSI, Chief Clerk.

CHAS. E. CLINE, Speaker.
The House was called to order at 9 o'clock A.M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Rev. A. G. Swain, of the Baptist Church.

The roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names, except Messrs. Williams and Hagadorn, excused, Mohundro, absent.

The journal of the preceding day was ordered read.

Moved by Mr. Warner, to suspend reading of journal.

The motion was lost.

The journal was read, and approved.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 117, entitled An act to amend section 4 of an act approved March 18, 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the organization and incorporation of companies for clearing out and improving rivers and streams in this state, and for the purpose of driving, sorting, holding and delivering logs and other timber products thereon, and fixing maximum tolls therefor," has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.


In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 137, entitled "An act to provide for the registration of voters in all school elections, in school districts having a population of ten thousand or more inhabitants and regulating elections in such districts," has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted.  H. D. Jory, Chairman.

In open session of the House the Speaker signed the above.
MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

STATE OF WASHINGTON, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
OLYMPIA, March 3, 1897.

To the Honorable Speaker of the House of Representatives, State of Washington:

Sir—Governor Rogers has this day approved House bill No. 17, an act to amend an act entitled "An act to amend section six (6) of an act entitled 'An act to prescribe the duties and fix the compensation of the reporter of the supreme court' approved December 20, 1889, and declaring an emergency," approved February 26, 1891; also House bill No. 81, an act creating a bureau of labor, defining its duties, and appropriating money for its maintenance; also House joint memorial No. 16, a memorial relative to the establishment of a national soldiers' home at Fort Sherman, Idaho.

Very respectfully,

J. E. BALLAINE, Private Secretary.

STATE OF WASHINGTON, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
OLYMPIA, March 2, 1897.

To the Honorable Speaker of the House of Representatives, State of Washington:

Sir—Governor Rogers has this day approved House bill No. 257, providing for the correction and revision of a portion of the plat of Seattle tide lands, and an appraisement of the lots in the portion so revised and corrected, authorizing and prescribing the manner of readjustment of existing rights in accordance therewith, and declaring an emergency; also House bill No. 262, providing for the cancellation of applications, contracts or deeds heretofore received or made for certain portions of the tide lands in the harbors of cities of the first class, prescribing the conditions under which the same may hereafter be disposed of, and declaring an emergency.

Very respectfully,

J. E. BALLAINE, Private Secretary.

House bill No. 418 was taken up for further consideration.

The speaker announced that in open session he has signed the certificate of election of the governor.

House bill No. 418 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

Moved by Mr. Guie to re-refer the bill to the committee.

The motion was lost.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 46, noes 24, absent or not voting 8.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Hagadorn, Hooper, Mohundro, Roberts, Ross, Scott, Williams, and Witt—8.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House joint resolution No. 13, relative to the appointment of a committee for the purpose of investigating state institutions, has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. L. E. RADER, Acting Chairman.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER, OLYMPIA, WASH., March 4, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has indefinitely postponed House bill No. 352, entitled "An act relating to fish traps," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER, OLYMPIA, WASH., March 4, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed House memorial No. 8, relative to building of light house and harbor at the mouth of Quillayute river, and the same is herewith returned. R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER, OLYMPIA, WASH., March 4, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed House bill No. 232, entitled "An act establishing a board of pardons," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.
Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed House bill No. 519, entitled "An act to provide for the punishment of recalcitrant witnesses before legislative committees," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed House bill No. 375, entitled "An act relating to the adoption of legal heirs," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 233, entitled "An act relating to settlement of estates of decedents," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has concurred in House amendments to Senate bill No. 9, "An act providing for the sale of real property to foreclose liens," etc.

Dudley Eshelman, Secretary.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has failed to pass House bill No. 99, entitled "An act to protect railway switches," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed Senate concurrent resolution No. 23, relative to extending congratulations to President McKinley, and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has amended House bill No. 243, entitled "An act relative to providing a uniform system of public blanks," as follows: Strike from title "and making an appropriation therefor," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.
STATE OF WASHINGTON.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 3, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 134, entitled "An act relating to proceedings of probate."
The Senate has amended House bill No. 234, entitled "An act for the protection of game animals, birds," etc.
And the same are herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 4, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has amended House bill No. 67, entitled "An act relating to the mode of proceeding to appropriate real estate or other property by corporations for corporate purposes," as follows: Emergency clause stricken from title. Section 3 stricken from bill.
And the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 4, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has amended House bill No. 278, entitled "An act subjecting franchises to sale under execution and foreclosure," and the same is here with returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 3, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has amended House memorial No. 3, a memorial asking congress to establish a life saving station on the coast of Washington, north of Gray's Harbor; also House bill No. 371, as amended, "An act to fix the fees to be collected by the secretary of state in relation to corporations," and the same are herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

Moved by Mr. Forbes, that the House take up House bills Nos. 127, 363 and 526 for consideration.
The motion was carried.
Moved by Mr. Hodgdon, that House bill No. 127 and amendment thereto be substituted for House bill No. 526.
Moved by Mr. Day, that Mr. Hodgdon's motion be laid on the table.
The motion was carried.
On motion of Mr. Nelson, House bill No. 364 was taken up for consideration.
MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Penitentiary, to whom was referred House bill No. 364, entitled "An act to abolish the board of trustees, respectively, of the Washington school for defective youth, the Washington state reform school, the Western Washington hospital for insane, the Eastern Washington hospital for insane, the Washington soldiers' home, the board of directors of the state penitentiary, as now constituted, and to create a state board of audit and control for the government, control and maintenance of said institutions, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass as amended, with the following amendments.

Strike out all of section 2 thereof, of printed bill, and insert in lieu thereof the following:

SEC. 2. There is hereby created a state board of audit and control, for the government, control and maintenance of the before mentioned institutions. Said board shall have and possess all the powers, and may exercise all the functions heretofore exercised and possessed by the boards of trustees and board of directors abolished by section 1 of this act, and shall be appointed as follows, to wit: The governor shall appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, five citizens of the state as members of said board, four of whom shall serve without compensation, and the fifth shall be specially appointed and shall be known as commissioner of public institutions. The said commissioner of public institutions shall perform all the duties hereinafter prescribed, in addition to those devolved on him as a member of said board, and shall receive the compensation hereinafter provided.

Strike out first sentence in section 5, and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Sec. 5. The commissioner of public institutions shall act as traveling auditor of said board." In section 5, line 7, of said bill, strike out the words "two thousand" and insert in lieu thereof the words "five hundred." In section 5, line 9, after the word "institutions," insert the following: "Which expenses shall not exceed fifteen hundred dollars per annum." In section 5, line 10, thereof, strike out the words "attorney general" and insert in lieu thereof the word "governor."

In section 7, line 1, of said bill, strike out the word "fifteen" and insert in lieu thereof the word "ten."

Strike out all of section 8 of printed bill, and insert in lieu thereof the following:

SEC. 8. The board of control shall require of each and every superintendent or manager of the respective institutions under the management and control of said board, an itemized statement of the receipts and disbursements, for each and every month, of the institution for which he is manager or superintendent; said statement must be filed with the said board on or before the 10th day of each and every month; and any superintendent, manager or officer violating this provision shall be discharged.

Strike out all the first line of section 9, and the first four words of second line of said section, making said section to read as follows: "An
emergency is declared to exist, and this act shall take effect on and after its passage and approval."

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

A. D. WARNER, Chairman.
J. O. EDWARDS.
GEO. WINDUST.
J. PARKER.
W. B. ROBERTS.
CLEVELAND SMITH.
GEO. M. WITT.
J. C. MERRIFIELD.
G. B. RICHMOND.

Amendment to committee’s amendment, relating to section 5, by Mr. Warner: Amend section 5 by striking out lines 1 and 2 to and including the word “institutions,” and add in section 5 “the lieutenant governor shall be commissioner of public institutions and traveling auditor, and in the event of his resignation or death, the governor shall appoint his successor to hold office for the unexpired term.”

The amendment was adopted.

Moved by Mr. Roberts, that the House concur in Senate amendment to House bill No. 243.

The motion was carried.

Amendment by Mr. F. R. Baker: Change the term “commissioner of public institutions,” to “auditor of public institutions,” where it appears.

The amendment was adopted.

Moved by Mr. Rader, that the House refuse to concur in Senate amendments to House bill No. 371.

The motion was carried.

Moved by Mr. A. S. Bush, that the House reconsider the vote to refuse to concur in Senate amendments.

The motion was carried.

On vote, the motion to refuse to concur was carried.

Amendment to House bill No. 364, by Mr. Warner: In section 2 as submitted by the committee, after the words “to wit,” insert the words “the governor shall appoint by and with the consent of the Senate, five citizens of the state as members of said board, who shall serve without pay. The auditor of public institutions, hereinafter provided for, shall perform the duties hereinafter prescribed, and such other duties as the board shall direct, and shall receive the compensation hereinafter provided.”

On motion, the House adjourned at 12 o’clock m.

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AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House convened at 2 o'clock p. m.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

A quorum being present, the House resumed consideration of amendments to House bill No. 364.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 4, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 141, entitled "An act relating to exemptions of personal property;" and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

Moved by Mr. Koehler, that the House concur in Senate amendment to House memorial No. 3.

The motion was carried.

Moved by Mr. Hooper, that the House reconsider the vote on the amendments to House bill No. 364.

Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, to lay the motion on the table.

The motion was carried.

The previous question was ordered.

On vote, the motion to reconsider was carried: Ayes 43, noes 31, absent or not voting 4.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Hagadorn, Irvin, Mohundro, and Williams—4.

The amendment of Mr. Warner was offered as a substitute for committee amendment to section 2.
On vote, the motion to substitute was lost: Ayes 35, noes 40, absent or not voting 3.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Hagadorn, Mohundro, and Williams—3.

On vote, the amendments of the committee were adopted.

On motion of Mr. Roberts, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote the bill was passed: Ayes 61, noes 12, absent or not voting 5.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Guie, Hagadorn, Levin, Mohundro, and Williams—5.

On vote, the emergency clause was passed: Ayes 56, noes 15, absent or not voting 7.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

On motion, the rules were suspended, and the bill ordered sent to the Senate at once.

COMMUNICATION FROM W. A. NEWELL.

OLYMPIA, Wash., March 4, 1897.

To the Honorable C. E. Cline, Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Dear Sir—Please express to the members of the House of Representatives my profound acknowledgment for the distinguished honor conferred by the passage of resolutions respecting my agency in founding and originating the United States life saving service.

I am, very respectfully,

W. A. NEWELL.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,

OLYMPIA, Wash., March 4, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

The president of the Senate has appointed the following committee, Senators Houghton, Hill and Hall, to confer with a like committee already appointed by the speaker, to consider the differences between the two houses on Senate bill No. 93, "An act to encourage the manufacture of sugar, etc., in the State of Washington," with instructions to report to their respective houses as soon as practicable.

Also, the president has appointed the following committee, Senators Washburn, Paul and Yeend, to confer with a like committee to be appointed by the speaker of the House, to consider the differences between the two houses on Senate bill No. 106, "An act to provide for the purchasing of stationery, desk supplies, etc., for the state legislature."

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.
House bill No. 209 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

Mr. Way was called to the chair at 3 o'clock P. M.

Moved by Mr. Geraghty, to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was passed to third reading, and that the bill be returned to second reading.

On vote, the motion to reconsider was lost.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 69, noes 0, absent or not voting 9.


Noes: None.


On vote, the emergency clause passed: Ayes 69, noes 0, absent or not voting 9.


Noes: None.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

On motion, the rules were suspended, and the bill ordered sent to the Senate at once.

House concurrent resolution No. 27, by Mr. F. R. Baker, asking the privilege to introduce a bill out of order, was read.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the resolution considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On motion, the clerk was ordered to record the vote of the House on the passage of the House concurrent resolution.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

On motion, it was ordered that the resolution be sent to the Senate at once.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON CITIES OF THE FIRST CLASS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 18, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your special committee on cities of the first class, to whom was referred House bill No. 411, entitled "An act authorizing cities and towns to construct, condemn and purchase, purchase, acquire, add to, maintain, conduct and operate water works, systems of sewerage, works for lighting, heating, fuel and power purposes, cable, electric and other railways, cemeteries, parks and any combinations thereof, with all land and property required therefor, providing for payment therefor, repealing an act entitled 'An act relating to and authorizing cities and towns to purchase, construct and maintain water works, systems of sewerage, gas and electric light plants, and to issue bonds to pay therefor, and declaring an
emergency, approved February 10, 1898, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: Section 3, line 1, of printed bill, between the words "town" and "heretofore," strike out the words "which has" and insert the word "have;" and as so amended do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

J. H. Ross, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

John Forbes.

J. M. Geraghty.

Solon T. Williams.

Geo. B. Kittinger.

House bill No. 411 was called up and read the second time.
The speaker resumed the chair at 3:40 o'clock P. M.

Moved by Mr. Struve, that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

On vote, the motion was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Struve: Strike out section 3.

On vote, the amendment was lost.

On motion of Mr. Pierson, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 56, noes 9, absent or not voting 13.


The emergency clause was passed: Ayes 56, noes 9, absent or not voting 13.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

On motion, the rules were suspended, and the bill ordered sent to the Senate at once.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 4, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has indefinitely postponed House bill No. 244, entitled “An act establishing a legal rate of interest;” also House memorial No. 1, by Mr. Warner, in relation to Cuban insurrection, and the same are herewith transmitted. DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

Mr. de Mattos was called to the chair at 4:10 o’clock P. M.

Moved by Mr. Powell, that the rules be suspended, and that Senate concurrent resolution No. 23 be taken up for consideration.

The motion was carried.

Moved by Mr. Nelson, that the resolution lay on the table.

The motion was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Gilkey: In place of the words “prosperity we so much need,” insert the words “the prosperity that Mark Hanna promised would immediately follow the election of McKinley.”

The amendment was lost.

On motion of Mr. Tobiassen, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the resolution considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

The clerk was ordered to record the vote of the House for the resolution: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.

Ayes: Messrs. Ames, Baker F. R., Baker G. H., Baker S. W.,
Moved by Mr. McAtee, that the rules be suspended, and that House bill No. 234 be taken up:

The motion was lost.

House bill No. 264 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 62, noes 3, absent or not voting 13.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

Moved by Mr. McAtee, that the rules be suspended, and that House bill No. 234 be taken up:

The motion was lost.

House bill No. 264 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 62, noes 3, absent or not voting 13.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 196 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

Moved by Mr. G. H. Baker, that the bill be indefinitely postponed.
On vote, the motion was lost.
On vote, the bill failed to pass: Ayes 34, noes 27, absent or not voting 17.


The chair appointed Messrs. Scott, C. P. Bush and F. R. Baker, as a conference committee on Senate bill No. 106.

Moved by Mr. Witt, that the House reconsider the vote whereby Senate memorial No. 4 failed to pass.

On motion of Mr. Witt, Senator High was given time to discuss the memorial.

On vote, the motion to reconsider was lost.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 4, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your committee on conference, appointed on the part of the House, to act with a like committee of the Senate upon the House amendment on Senate bill No. 93, in which the Senate refused to concur, respectfully report that the committee of conference, appointed as above, after conferring, have agreed that the committee on the part of the Senate shall recommend its concurrence in the House amendment on said bill, and that the house do not recede.

Respectfully submitted.

W. B. ROBERTS, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

B. S. SCOTT.

GEO. M. WITT.

On motion, the report of the committee was adopted, and the committee discharged.
On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, House bill No. 245 was taken up.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 59, noes 2, absent or not voting 17.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 3, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 458, entitled "An act regulating the charge for service by telephone companies and corporations, and providing a penalty," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be referred to Committee on Corporations other than Municipal and Railroads.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

J. P. de Mattos, Chairman.
J. L. Likins.
J. G. Fritz.
C. S. Barlow.
C. F. Clapp.
D. Levin.
Thos. Winsor.
C. A. Mentzer.
MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Claims and Auditing, to whom was referred sundry accounts, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that the following be allowed: To E. C. Bickford, for one table, $1.75; to C. W. Wilson, for hauling, 50 cents; to the Central News Company, for stationery, $85.65; total, $86.90.

Respectfully submitted.

C. J. Moore, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

ROBT. GERRY.

PHIL. M. SMITH.

C. S. BARLOW.

JOHN FORBES.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Moved by Mr. Canutt, that when we adjourn it be till 8 o'clock P. M.

Amended by Mr. Roberts, to read "9 o'clock A. M. to-morrow."

The motion was carried.

Moved by Mr. Kittinger, that the House concur in Senate amendment to House bill No. 67.

The motion was carried.

Senate bill No. 76 was ordered taken from the hands of the Judiciary Committee and referred to the sifting committee.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

House bill No. 599, was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 579 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be referred to the sifting committee.

House bill No. 615 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be referred to the sifting committee.

Senate bill No. 162 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 580 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 611 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 602 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.

House bill No. 596 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 498 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.
House bill No. 492 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 104 was reported back from the committee without recommendation.

House bills Nos. 150, 198 and 195, were reported back from the committee with recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 525 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 594 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 535 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 284 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed; minority report, that it do pass.

House concurrent resolution No. 23 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that the substitute resolution attached do pass.

House bill No. 134 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass.

House bills Nos. 537 and 538 were reported back from the committee with recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 175 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass as amended; minority report, that it do pass.

House bill No. 395 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed; minority report, that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 566 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it pass as amended.

Senate bill No. 496 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 507 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 506 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass.

On motion, the House adjourned at 5:30 o'clock P. M.

S. P. Carusi, Chief Clerk.  

Chas. E. Cline, Speaker.
Pursuant to adjournment, the House convened at 9 o'clock A. M.; Speaker Cline presiding.

The roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names except Mr. Mohundro, excused.

The journal of the preceding day was read and approved.

Moved by Mr. Richmond, that the House take up House concurrent resolution No. 23, and the committee substitute for same.

The motion carried.

The substitute was read.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE BUILDINGS, PUBLIC GROUNDS AND LIBRARIES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 1, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on State Buildings, Public Grounds and Libraries, to whom was referred House concurrent resolution No. 23, in relation to the procurement by exchange copies of the Session Laws for the use of legislative committees, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that the resolution hereto appended be substituted therefor and that such substitute resolution do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

A. W. STUHRMAN.
D. R. LUSHER.
J. O. EDWARDS.
G. B. RICHMOND.
JOHN L. CANUTT.

On motion of Mr. Richmond, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the resolution considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the resolution was passed: Ayes 45, noes 3, absent or not voting 30.

Freeman, Forbes, Geraghty, Gerry, Gilkey, Hansen, Hicks, Irvin, Johnston, Jory, Land, Libby, Likins, Lusher, Marshall, Mathiot, Mentzer, Moore, McAtee, Nelson, Pierson, Rader, Richmond, Ross, Smith C., Smith J. B., Stafford, Stuhrman, Thacker, Tobias-6en, Winsor, Wilkeson, Witt, and Mr. Speaker—45.


REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 232, entitled "An act establishing a board of pardons, and defining its duties, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. DAVID MITCHELL, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 59, entitled "An act to provide for the punishment of recalcitrant witnesses before committees appointed by the legislative bodies of the State of Washington, or either of them, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. A. T. TOBIASSEN, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 375, entitled "An act to amend section 1418 of volume 1 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, relating to the adoption of legal heirs," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 135, entitled "An act for the pro-
tection of persons working in coal mines," has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 248, entitled "An act providing for a uniform system of public blanks for use in the counties of the State of Washington, and regulating the manufacture and sale thereof by the state," has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. A. T. TOBIASSEN, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House memorial No. 8, asking congress to establish a life saving station on the coast of Washington north of Gray's Harbor and to extend the government telegraph line from Tatoosh island to said Gray's Harbor, has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. DAVID MITCHELL, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House memorial No. 12, relating to the recognition of the services of the Hon. Wm. A. Newell, has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. DAVID MITCHELL, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 364, entitled "An act to abolish the boards of trustees respectively of the Washington school for defective youth, the Washington state reform school, the Western Washington hospital for the insane, the Eastern Washington hospital for the insane, the Washington soldiers' home, and the board of directors of the state penitentiary, as now constituted, and to create a state board of audit and control for the government, control and maintenance of said institutions, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

Moved by Mr. McAttee, that the House take up House bill No. 234, for consideration of Senate amendments.
On vote, the House concurred in amendments, except to striking out section 16, and changing section 24 to section 25. The House refused to concur in the above.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Senate bill No. 86 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 624 was reported back from the committee without recommendation.

House bill No. 563 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

Senate memorial No. 8 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

Concurrent resolution No. 25 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMORIALS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

OLYMPIA, WASH., March 4, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Memorials, to whom was referred House concurrent resolution No. 21, relating to instructing our representatives in congress to use their influence to secure the free coinage of silver, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted. GEO. WINDUST, Chairman.

We concur in this report: A. MATHOIT.

HANS HANSEN.

H. D. SMITH.

I dissent from this report: F. R. BAKER.

House concurrent resolution No. 21, was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Dissent by F. R. Baker.

Resolution read the second time.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the resolution considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the resolution was passed: Ayes 59, noes 13, absent or not voting 6.


There being no objections, the resolution was sent to the senate immediately.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMORIALS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 4, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Memorials, to whom was referred House memorial No. 15, in relation to the establishment of postal savings banks, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

A. Mathiot.

Hans Hansen.

C. J. Moore.

F. R. Baker.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the memorial considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the memorial was passed: Ayes 76, noes 2, absent or not voting 0.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Memorials, to whom was referred Senate memorial No. 10, in relation to the survivors of the Indian war of 1855 in the Territory (now State) of Washington, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

We concur in this report:

GEO. WINDUST, Chairman.
A. MATHIOT.
HANS HANSEN.
C. J. MOORE.
F. R. BAKER.

House concurrent resolution No. 25 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, and Senate memorial No. 10 was placed on its final passage.

On vote, the memorial was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.

Noes: None.
Absent or not voting: None.

Moved by Mr. Warner, to take up House bill No. 381 for consideration.

On vote, the motion was lost.

Moved by Mr. Rader, that action be deferred on House joint resolution No. 13, and that the same shall hold its place on the calendar.

The previous question was ordered.

On vote, the motion to defer action was carried.

House concurrent resolution No. 18 was read third time, and, on motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, was laid on the table.

House bill No. 285 was read third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 51, noes 18, absent or not voting 9.


There being no objection, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 169 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 69, noes 0, absent or not voting 9.


Noes: None.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 180 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 64, noes 3, absent or not voting 11.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Caywood, Hodgdon, Kittinger, Koehler, Mitchell, Mohundro, McAtee, Phelps, Smith P. M., Williams, and Wolf—11.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended and the bill sent to Senate immediately.

Mr. Day was excused for one hour.

House bill No. 286 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

The previous question was ordered.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 41, noes 26, absent or not voting 11.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 170 was read third time, and placed on final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed; Ayes 51, noes 18, absent or not voting 9.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

On motion, the rules were suspended, and the bill transmitted to the Senate.

Senate bill No. 76 was substituted for House bill No. 258, and read the second time.
Moved by Mr. Phelps, that the House reconsider the vote whereby Senate bill No. 76 was substituted for House bill No. 258.

The motion was carried.

Moved, that House bill No. 258 be read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

The motion was carried.

Moved, that the rules be suspended, and the bill returned to second reading.

The motion was carried.

Moved, that Senate bill No. 76 be taken up and considered.

The motion was carried.

Moved by Mr. Ross, to strike out all of Senate bill No. 76 after the enacting clause, and substitute sections 1, 2 and 3 of the engrossed copy of House bill No. 250 therefor.

The motion was carried.

On motion of Mr. Phelps, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, and the bill placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 60, noes 13, absent or not voting 5.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Koehler, Mentzer, Mohundro, Richmond, and Williams—5.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 402 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 65, noes 2, absent or not voting 11.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Geraghty, Guie, Kittinger, Koehler, Mentzer, Mohundro, Phelps, Richmond, Smith H. D., Stafford, and Williams—11.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 309 was read the third time and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 52, noes 16, absent or not voting 10.


On vote, the emergency clause was stricken out of the title.

House bill No. 342 was read the third time, and placed on final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 49, noes 16, absent or not voting 13.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Joint memorial No. 12 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On motion, the clerk was ordered to engross the vote of the House on the memorial: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

On motion, the rules were suspended, and the memorial was sent to the Senate immediately.

House bill No. 337 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote the bill was passed: Ayes 60, noes 11, absent or not voting 7.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

On motion, the House adjourned at 12 o'clock M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House was called to order at 2 o'clock P. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

A quorum being present, the business was proceeded with.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

STATE OF WASHINGTON, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, OLYMPIA, March 4, 1897.

Speaker of the House of Representatives, House Chamber, Olympia, Wash.:

SIR—Governor Rogers has this day approved House bill No. 117, "An act to amend section 4 of an act approved March 18, 1895, entitled 'An act to provide for the organization and incorporation of companies for clearing out and improving rivers and streams in this state, and for the purpose of driving, sorting and holding and delivering logs and other timber products thereof, and fixing maximum tolls therefor;'") also, House bill No. 137, "An act to provide for the registration of voters in all school elections in school districts having a population of ten thousand or more inhabitants, and regulating elections in such districts."

Very respectfully,

J. E. BALLAINE, Private Secretary.

House bill No. 339 was taken up, and on motion of Mr. Koehler,
the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 56, noes 7, absent or not voting 15.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 165 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 56, noes 10, absent or not voting 12.


There being no objection, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.
House bill No. 222 was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Land, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 58, noes 7, absent or not voting 13.


The emergency clause was passed: Ayes 58, noes 7, absent or not voting 13.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 347 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.
On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 57, noes 12, absent or not voting 9.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER.
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 5, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has refused to concur in House amendments to Senate bill No. 76, by Senator Davis, "An act to prescribe the mode of payment of all obligations of debt to be paid in money," and the same is herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

Moved by Mr. Warner, that the House do not recede from its amendments, and ask for a committee of conference.

The motion was carried.

The speaker appointed Messrs. Phelps, Geraghty and Ross as a committee on conference on Senate bill No. 76.

SENATE CHAMBER.
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 5, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The president of the Senate has appointed Senators Davis, McReavy and Reinhart to confer with a like committee to be appointed by the speaker of this House, to confer regarding the differences of the two houses on Senate bill No. 76, by Senator Davis, "An act for the payment of debts, etc., in money."

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

House bill No. 71 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.
Mr. Hagadorn moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed. The motion was lost.

Mr. Warner moved that the bill be returned to second reading for amendments. The motion was carried.

Amendments by Mr. Warner: In section 1, line 1, strike out the word "company" after the word "any," and the words "or other employer," and in line 2, the words "of labor or their or his," and change the word "her" to "its."

In section 2, line 1, strike out the word "company," also the words "or other employer of labor or their or his;" in line 2, change the word "her" to "its;" in line 9, strike out the words "an employer" and insert the words "a corporation."

In section 4, line 1, strike out the words "company or other employer of labor who" and insert the words "its agent or agents which;" in line 4, strike out all of the section after "dollars" where the word first occurs.

Amendment by Mr. Canutt: Add at the end of section 4, the following: "Provided, That nothing in this act shall be construed to mean that any one shall be barred from making the exchanges when agreed to by said employe, in writing."

The amendment was lost.

On motion of Mr. J. O. Edwards, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

The previous question was ordered.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 48, noes 25, absent or not voting 5.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Guie, Kincaid, Mohundro, Williams, and Wilkeson — 5.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 447 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

Moved, that the rules be suspended, and that the bill be returned to second reading.

On vote, the motion carried.

The following amendments were offered: In section 1, line 6, strike out the words "a time check or other."

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

In line 3, insert a semicolon (;) after the word "month."

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

Amendments by Mr. Witt: In line 1, section 1, insert the words "for a corporation" after the word "performed."

On vote, the amendment was lost.

In section 1, line 2, after the words "United States" insert the words "without deductions."

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

In section 1, line 7, after the word "labor" insert the word "performed."

In section 2, line 2, strike out the word "if" and insert the word "of."

On vote, the amendments were adopted.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 43, noes 26, absent or not voting 9.


Noes: Messrs. Ames, Baker G. H., Barlow, Canutt, Clapp, Conine, Guie, Gerry, Hagadorn, Irvin, Levin, Libby, Marshall,


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Mr. Richmond was called to the chair at 3:55 o’clock P. M.

House bill No. 290 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 43, noes 24, absent or not voting 11.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Levin, Lindstrom, Mentzer, Mohundro, Phelps, Ross, Smith H. D., Williams, Wilkeson, Wolf, and Mr. Speaker—11.

Moved by Mr. Lusher, that the vote on House bill No. 290 be reconsidered.

The motion was lost.

On vote, the emergency clause failed to pass: Ayes 26, noes 30, absent or not voting 22.


The speaker resumed the chair at 4:15 o'clock p. m.

Moved by Mr. Likins, that when the House adjourn it be to 8 o'clock p. m., and that House bill No. 381 shall be the first order of business.

Substitute by Mr. Fritz, to proceed with regular order.

The motion was lost.

The motion of Mr. Likins was ruled out of order.

House bill No. 227 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 52, noes 8, absent or not voting 18.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your committee on conference, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 106, beg leave to report as follows: We recommend that the House recede from its amendment in striking out the word "legislature" in the title and in section 1, line 1, of the printed bill, and that the Senate con-
cur in the House amendment inserting the word officers in the title and in section 1, line 2, of the printed bill.
Respectfully submitted.
We concur in this report:

B. S. Scott, Chairman.
F. R. Baker.
C. P. Bush.

On vote, the report was adopted and committee discharged.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

Mr. Speaker:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 71, entitled "An act making it unlawful for corporations to pay the wages of workmen by them employed in either store goods, merchandise, written or verbal orders or time checks, and providing punishment for the violation thereof," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.
Respectfully submitted.

L. E. Rader, Acting Chairman.

House bill No. 388 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.
On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 43, noes 20, absent or not voting 15.
There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.
House bill No. 213 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.
The clerk was instructed to cast the vote of the House for the bill.
The bill was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

The emergency clause was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 220 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 64, noes 0, absent or not voting 14.

Gerry, Gilkey, Hagadorn, Hansen, Hargrave, Hicks, Hodgdon, Hooper, Irvin, Johnston, Jory, Kincaid, Koehler, Land, Libby, Likins, Lindstrom, Lusher, Mathiot, Mentzer, Merrifield, Mitchell, Moore, McAtee, Nelson, Parker, Phelps, Pierson, Powell, Rader, Richmond, Roberts, Ross, Scott, Smith C., Smith J. B., Stafford, Stuhrman, Struve, Thacker, Tobiassen, Williams, Winsor, Witt, Windust, and Mr. Speaker — 64.

Noes: None.


The emergency clause passed: Ayes 64, noes 0, absent or not voting 14.


Noes: None.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 217 was read the third time.

Mr. Land moved to re-refer the bill to second reading for amendments.

The motion was lost.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 61, noes 2, absent or not voting 15.

STATE OF WASHINGTON.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Moved by Mr. Marshall, that when we adjourn it be until 9 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

On vote, the motion was adopted.

House memorial No. 5 was read the third time, and placed on final passage.

The clerk was ordered to engross the vote of the House for the memorial.

On vote, the memorial was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

Mr. Roberts was called to the chair at 4:40 o'clock P. M.

House bill No. 384 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 43, noes 20, absent or not voting 15.

Ayes: Messrs. Baker S. W., Barlow, Bush A. S., Bush C. P.,


On vote, the emergency clause failed to pass: Ayes 43, noes 20, absent or not voting 15.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Moved that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was lost.

House bill No. 383 was indefinitely postponed, on motion of Mr. Barlow.

House bill No. 483 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 61, noes 2, absent or not voting 15.

Ayes: Messrs. Baker S. W., Bush A. S., Bush C. P., Carr, Co-


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS AND AUDITING.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Claims and Auditing, to whom was referred bills of J. Dofflemeyer for labor, hardware, etc., have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be allowed in the sum of $14.35.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

C. J. Moore, Chairman.
Robt. Gerry.
C. S. Barlow.
John Forbes.
G. H. Baker.
J. L. Canutt.

On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMPENSATION AND FEES OF STATE AND COUNTY OFFICERS.

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Wash., March 4, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers, to whom was referred House bill No. 572, entitled "An act relating to public moneys paid to city treasurers, county treasurers and county clerks, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

C. A. Mentzer, Chairman.
Lewis Lindstrom.
S. W. Baker.
C. S. Barlow.
REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

House bill No. 276 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Senate bill No. 188 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Senate bill No. 237 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Senate bill No. 250 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 533 was reported back from the committee without recommendation.

House bill No. 536 was reported back from the committee without recommendation.

House bill No. 532 was reported back from the committee without recommendation.

House bill No. 498 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 391 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

House bill No. 626 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 584 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 457 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 464 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 575 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bill No. 504 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

House bill No. 610 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that the bill do pass.

On motion, the House adjourned at 5:20 o'clock P. M.

S. P. Carusi, Chief Clerk.

CHAS. E. CLINE, Speaker.
The House was called to order at 9 o'clock A.M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

The roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names, except Mr. Mohundro, excused.

The journal of the preceding day was ordered read, and, on motion, the further reading of same was dispensed with, and it was approved.

Moved by Mr. Likins, that we now proceed to take up House bill No. 381.

On vote, the motion was carried.

Moved by Mr. Forbes, to take House bill No. 526 from the table.

On vote, the motion was lost.

The resignation of Ernest Covert as page was offered and accepted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 67, entitled "An act to amend sections 4 and 10 of an act entitled 'An act to regulate the mode of proceeding to appropriate lands, real estate or other property, by corporations for corporate purposes, and of ascertaining and securing compensation therefor, and repealing laws in conflict with this act, and declaring an emergency,' approved March 21, 1890," the same being sections 651 and 657 of volume 2 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House memorial No. 8, in relation to building a lighthouse and harbor at the mouth of the Quillayute river, has been
carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.
Respectfully submitted. MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 6, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has indefinitely postponed House bill No. 231, entitled "An act relative to herding and driving of sheep upon the lands of another," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 6, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed House concurrent resolution No. 27, relative to allowing Senator T. J. Miller to introduce appropriation bill, and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Acting Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 6, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 263, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment and collection of taxes in the State of Washington," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 6, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has refused to recede from its amendments to House bill No. 371, "An act to fix the fees to be collected by the secretary of state," etc., and the president of the Senate has appointed Senators Baum, Cole and Dorr to confer with a like committee of the House regarding the differences between them, etc.

DUDLEY ESHelman, Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 6, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has adopted the report of the conference committee on Senate bill No. 93, by Senator Houghton, "An act granting a bounty for manufacture of sugar," etc.

DUDLEY ESHelman, Secretary.
MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed Senate bill No. 103, entitled "An act relating to state penitentiary," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed Senate bill No. 56, entitled "An act relating to trade marks," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed Senate bill No. 108, entitled "An act to prevent interference with electric meters," etc., and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed Senate bill No. 5, entitled "An act relating to the duration of judgments," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed Senate bill No. 21, entitled "An act relating to contractors' bond for security of laborers," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed Senate bill No. 69, entitled "An act for the relief of the widow of H. C. Ashenfelter," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed Senate bill No. 19, entitled "An act to protect manufacturers and bottlers of ale, porter, beer," etc., and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.
MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 144, entitled "An act providing for the employment of convicts;" also Senate bill No. 231, "An act to regulate and govern the state penitentiary," and the same are herewith transmitted.
R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed Senate bill No. 22, entitled "An act providing for a lien for employes," and the same is herewith transmitted.
R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed Senate bill No. 181, entitled "An act relating to distribution of funds of insolvent companies," and the same is herewith transmitted.
The president of the Senate has signed Senate concurrent resolution No. 23, congratulating President McKinley, etc., and the same is herewith transmitted.
R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed Senate memorial No. 10, relating to pension of Indian war veterans, and the same is herewith transmitted.
R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed Senate concurrent resolution No. 17, relating to state granted lands, and the same is herewith transmitted.
R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed House bill No. 243, entitled "An act providing for a uniform system of public blanks," and the same is herewith returned.
R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed House bill No. 519, entitled "An act to provide for the punishment of recalcitrant witnesses."
Also, House bill No. 135, "An act for the protection of persons working in coal mines."
Also, House Bill No. 282, "An act establishing a board of pardons, and defining its duties."
Also, House memorial No. 3, relative to establishing light house, etc.
Also, House bill No. 375, relating to the adoption of legal heirs.
Also, House memorial No. 12, acknowledging the claims of William A. Newell, etc.
The Senate has indefinitely postponed House bill No. 149, entitled "An act regulating railway passenger rates," etc.
Also, the Senate has indefinitely postponed House bill No. 288, "An act providing that judgment against railroad companies shall be prior lien against property," etc.
Also, the Senate has indefinitely postponed House bill No. 176, "An act to prohibit the use of passes by state officers."
And the same are herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Geraghty offered the following resolution, and moved its adoption:

Resolved, That the sergeant-at-arms forthwith purchase $1.50 worth of postage stamps for each member.

On vote, the resolution was lost: Ayes 24, noes 44, absent or not voting 10.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Canutt, Clapp, Johnston, Kittinger, Levin, Mohndro, Rader, Smith H. D., Wolf, and Mr. Speaker — 10.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 25, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 381, entitled "An act providing for the government
of cities of the third class, declaring an emergency, and repealing all acts and parts of acts in conflict with the provisions of this act, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that the printed bill hereto annexed be substituted for the original, and that the same do pass as amended.

Section 3, line 4, after the word "mayor," insert "members of the city council," also strike out "from" and including "the," in line 6, to and including the word "qualified," in line 9.

Section 4, after the word "moved," in line 4, insert "by the mayor with the consent of the council."

Section 7, line 10, after the word "been," insert "or be."

Section 8, line 8, after the word "ward," insert "if such city be divided into wards."

Section 9, line 8, change the word "one" to "two," and add the letter "s" to the word "year," and insert "and a resident elector of such city for a period of one year;" also in line 3, strike out "from" and including the word "time," to and including the word "the," in line 5.

Section 11, line 6, strike out the letter "s" in the word "times," and after "the word" insert "the words and place;" also in line 8, strike out the word "members," and insert therefor the word "councilman;" also in line 13, after the word "and," insert the words "then not unless;" also in line 14, after the word "nor," insert the word "shall;" also in line 14, after the word "money," insert the word "be;" also in line 14, after the word "allowed," insert "at any special or adjourned meeting;" also in line 14, after the word "of" and before the word "six," insert the words "at least."

Section 12, line 8, strike out the word "be;" also in line 8, strike out the words "becomes valid," and insert therefor the words "goes into effect, be;" also in line 11, strike out the words "exclusive of such reasons;" also in line 13, strike out the words "by which," and insert therefor the words "on the passage of;" also in lines 13 and 14, strike out the words "was passed after such reconsideration six," and insert therefor the words "notwithstanding the veto of the mayor and not less than five."

Section 13, line 17, strike off the letters "ality" from the word "mayorality."

Section 14, line 7, strike out the word "granted," and insert therefor the word "passed," also in line 11, after the word "section," insert the word "as."

Section 15, line 4, of subdivision 2, after the word "amount," insert the words "equal to or."

Section 15, strike out subdivision 3, and substitute therefor the words, "To contract for supplying the city with water for municipal purposes, to acquire, construct, repair and manage pumps, aqueducts, reservoirs, pipe lines or other works necessary or proper for supplying water for domestic purposes and uses, to the inhabitants of such city, and for the use of such city for municipal purposes; and to charge and collect reasonable rates therefor, which rates must be fixed by ordinance; and to sell water at uniform rates to the inhabitants of such
city for manufacturing, mechanical and irrigation purposes: Provided, That no use of water shall ever be made or permitted which will prevent or interfere with the supply or use thereof of the inhabitants of such city for domestic uses and purposes. To contract for supplying the city with light, to acquire, construct, repair and manage gas and electrical works for supplying such city and the inhabitants thereof with light, and to charge and collect reasonable rates therefor, which rates must be fixed by ordinance." Section 15, line 5, of subdivision 5, strike out the words "they may," and insert the word "to." Section 15, strike out subdivision 7, relating to poll tax. Section 15, line 2 of subdivision 15, after the word "railroad," insert the words "and street car." Section 15, line 2, subdivision 17, strike out the letter "y" from the word "they," and before the word "may," in same line, the word "council."

Section 17, after the word "drawee," the last word in section 17, insert the words "and no warrant shall be issued until ten days after the allowance of the claim therefor."

Section 21, line 23, after the word "unless," insert the words "at least." Section 21, line 39, after the word "streets," insert the words "or alleys." Section 21, line 40, after the word "streets," insert the words "or alleys."

Section 21, lines 49 and 50, strike out the words "portions of lots," and insert the word "lands."

Section 44, strike out "in full," and insert therefor these words, "This act shall not be construed to affect any municipal corporations, or the offices thereof, now existing under the laws of the state, nor any rights acquired or contracts made by, through or under any such cities, but from the day of its becoming operative, it shall be deemed to be the charter for and of every third class city in this state."

Respectfully submitted.

J. P. de Mattos, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

J. L. Likins.
C. S. Barlow.
C. A. Mentzer.
C. F. Clapp.
J. C. Merrifield.
A. D. Warner.
E. W. Way.

MINORITY REPORT.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 25, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, a minority of your Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 381, entitled "An act providing for the government of cities of the third class, and declaring an emergency, and repealing all acts and parts of acts in conflict with the provisions of this act," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

J. G. Fritz.
Moved by Mr. Pierson, that Senate bill No. 162 be reported by the Committee on Agriculture, at once.

The motion carried.

Mr. C. Smith was called to the chair at 9:20 o'clock A. M.

Moved by Mr. Fritz, that the minority report on House bill No. 381 be substituted for majority report.

The previous question was ordered.

On vote, the motion was lost.

The bill was ordered read the second time.

Substitute for committee amendment to section 3, by Mr. Geraghty:

"SEC. 3. Elections—Terms. The mayor, four members of the city council (one being at large), treasurer, clerk, city attorney and marshal shall be elected by the qualified electors of said city, at a general municipal election to be held therein on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in December, 1897, and biennially thereafter. Three members of the city council shall be elected by the qualified electors of said city, or by the qualified electors resident in the appropriate wards thereof, as the case may be, at a general municipal election to be held in said city, or in the appropriate wards thereof, as the case may be, on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in December, 1898, and biennially thereafter. The mayor, members of the city council, treasurer and clerk shall hold office for the period of two years from and after twelve o'clock noon of the first Tuesday in January, next succeeding the date of their election, and until their successors are elected and qualified. The city council may in its discretion, appoint a city engineer, to hold office during the pleasure of the council; and it may in its discretion, appoint a pound master, jailor and janitor, and may in its discretion, include any or all of such three last named offices in one person, to hold office during the pleasure of the council."

Moved, to lay substitute on the table.

The motion was lost.

The previous question was ordered.

On vote, the substitute was carried: Ayes 50, noes 14, absent or not voting 14.


Substitute for committee amendment to section 4: Change subdivision 4 to read “Sec. 4,” and strike out all portions of said section going before.

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

Substitute amendment by Mr. Fritz, to the amendment:

**SEC. 12. Quorum—Passage of Ordinances.** At any meeting of the city council, a majority of the councilmen shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a less number may adjourn from time to time and may compel the attendance of absent members, in such manner and under such penalties as may be prescribed by ordinance. The mayor shall preside at all meetings of the council, and in case of his absence, the council may appoint a mayor pro tem. And in case of the absence of the clerk, the mayor or mayor pro tem. shall appoint one of the members of the council as clerk pro tem. Every ordinance which shall have passed the city council shall be, before it becomes valid, presented to the mayor; if he approves, he shall sign it, but if not, he may veto and shall return it with his written objections, and the reasons therefor briefly expressed, to the city council, and the council shall cause such written objections, exclusive of such reasons, to be entered at large upon the journal of its proceedings. Upon receipt of the mayor's veto and objection, the council may proceed to reconsider the vote by which the ordinance was passed. After such reconsideration, four members of the city council present and voting may, by an affirmative vote, pass the ordinance over the mayor's veto; and such vote shall be taken by a call of the yeas and nays. If the mayor shall fail, for the period of ten days, to approve or veto an ordinance, it shall become valid without his approval. Any resolution which has been adopted by the council at a regular or special meeting may, before the adjournment of the meeting, be vetoed by the mayor orally in open council and by filing with the clerk his written reasons for objecting to the resolution, and the clerk shall enter upon the minutes the fact of such veto. The council may then, or at the next regular meeting, reconsider the vote, and after such reconsideration, four members of the council present and voting may by their affirmative vote adopt the resolution over the veto, on a call of the yeas and nays.

On vote, the substitute was lost.

Substitute for section 13, by Mr. Fritz:

**SEC. 13. Rules—Qualifications.** The city council shall judge of the qualifications of its members, and of election returns and determine con-
tested elections of all members of the council and of all city officers; the
council shall provide by ordinance a method of procedure governing
contested elections, and may establish rules of ordinances for the conduct
of its procedure while sitting as a council or a board of equalization or
assessment, or may punish any member or other person for disorderly
behavior at any meeting of such council. The council shall cause the
clerk to keep a correct journal of all its proceedings, and at the request
of any member shall cause the ayes and noes to be taken on any ques-
tion, and entered on the journal. At a meeting held on the first Tuesday
in January succeeding a general municipal election, the council shall
pass upon and judge of the qualifications of such city officials as were
elected at such election, and in case of contest may adjourn from day to
day, but only for the purpose of inquiring into the true merits of the
matters involved, and shall make final determinations of the matter as
soon as possible. In case of any contest of a seat in said council, the
person, or persons, whose right is contested shall not be eligible to vote
in such contest proceedings.

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Warner, the rules were suspended, the second
reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed and
placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was returned to second reading.

Moved by Mr. Warner: In section 15, subdivision of section 16,
add “with the consent of three-fifths of the persons residing out-
side of the city, in the territory to be added.”

The speaker signed, in open session, Senate bills Nos. 19, 181,
22, 103, 108, 69, 21 and 5, Senate memorial No. 10 and Senate
concurrent resolution No. 23; House bill No. 67, and House con-
current resolution No. 17, and House memorial No. 8.

On vote, the House adjourned at 12 o’clock a.m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House convened at 2 o’clock p.m.; Speaker Cline in the
chair.

A quorum was present.

Mr. Fritz moved to lay the amendment by Mr. Warner, to sec-
tion 16, on the table.

The motion was carried.

As conference committee on House bill No. 371, the Speaker ap-
pointed Messrs. de Mattos, Marshall, and Rader.
House bill No. 321 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 61, noes 0, absent or not voting 17.


Noes: None.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

On motion of Mr. C. P. Bush, House bill No. 75 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 41, noes 23, absent or not voting 14.


There being no objection, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.
House bill No. 162 was taken up for consideration.

On motion of Mr. Day, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 58, noes 6, absent or not voting 14.


On vote, the emergency clause was passed: Ayes 58, noes 6, absent or not voting 14.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, to take up House bill No. 534 for consideration.
On vote, the motion was lost.

House bill No. 414 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 59, noes 10, absent or not voting 9.


The emergency clause passed: Ayes 59, noes 10, absent or not voting 9.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Moved by Mr. Geraghty, that when the House adjourn, it be until 9 o’clock A. M. on Monday.

The motion was carried.

House bill No. 413 was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Warner, the rules were suspended, the second
reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 45, noes 19, absent or not voting 14.


On vote, the emergency clause was passed: Ayes 45, noes 19, absent or not voting 14.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Mr. Witt was called to the chair at 3 o'clock P. M.

House bill No. 412 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 48, noes 17, absent or not voting, 13.


On vote, the emergency clause was passed: Ayes 48, noes 17, absent or not voting 13.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER.

OLYMPIA, WASH., March 6, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 287, entitled "An act appropriating money to pay expenses of the present session of the legislature," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.
House bill No. 108 was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Geraghty, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill failed to pass: Ayes 36, noes 27, absent or not voting 15.


House bill No. 459 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 47, noes 9, absent or not voting 22.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.
Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, to reconsider the vote whereby House bill No. 459 was passed.

The motion was carried.

Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, to return the bill to second reading. The motion was amended by Mr. Warner, to insert an emergency clause.

The motion was adopted.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote; the bill was passed: Ayes 51, noes 11, absent or not voting 16.


On vote, the emergency clause was passed: Ayes 55, noes 6, absent or not voting 17.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker G. H., Bush C. P., Canutt,

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 387 was called up.

On motion of Mr. Warner, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 62, noes 2, absent or not voting 14.


On vote, the emergency clause was passed: Ayes 62, noes 2, absent or not voting 14.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker G. H., Bush C. P., Canutt,

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 485 was called up.

The speaker resumed the chair at 4:25 o'clock P. M.

On motion of Mr. Carr, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill failed to pass: Ayes 37, noes 12, absent and not voting 29.


The speaker signed Senate bill No. 56 in open session.

It was moved by Mr. Kittinger, that the vote by which House bill No. 485 failed to pass be reconsidered at 2:30 o'clock P. M. to-morrow.

On vote, the House adjourned at 4:30 o'clock P. M.

S. P. Carusi, Chief Clerk.

Chas. E. Cline, Speaker.
FIFTY-SEVENTH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, Monday, March 8, 1897.

9:00 o'clock A. M.

The House convened at 9:00 o'clock P. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

Representative Couch offered prayer.

The roll was called; all members being present, and answering to their names.

The journal of the preceding day was read and approved.

The following resolution was introduced by Mr. Roberts, and its adoption moved:

WHEREAS, This legislature has failed to enact such railroad legislation as the people in justice demand at our hands: therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, the House, do forthwith take from the hands of the Railroad Committee House bill No. 595, which was referred to said committee on February 27, 1897, and do now proceed to consider the same.

On vote, the resolution was lost.

Moved by Mr. Hodgdon, that House bills Nos. 625 and 572 be placed on the calendar.

The motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Hodgdon, said bills were referred to the sifting committee.

House joint resolution No. 28, by Mr. Warner: Asking permission to introduce a memorial.

On motion of Mr. Warner, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the memorial considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

The clerk was instructed to record the vote of the House for the resolution: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House concurrent resolution No. 27, relative to the introduction of a bill appropriating ten thousand dollars for the payment of the expenses of this session of the legislature, has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. A. T. TOBIASSEN, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

Moved by Mr. Likins, to take House bill No. 381 from the table.

On vote, the motion was lost.

Moved by Mr. Forbes, to take up House bill No. 526, for action on same.

On vote, the motion was lost.

House bill No. 248 was called up by Mr. Scott.

On motion of Mr. Scott, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 51, noes 1, absent or not voting 26.


Noes: Mr. Edwards J. M.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker F. R., Bush A. S., Cay-
There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 302 was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Moore, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 58, noes 0, absent or not voting 20.


Noes: None.


The emergency clause was passed: Ayes 58, noes 0, absent or not voting 20.


Noes: None.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 307 was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Land, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 51, noes 16, absent or not voting 11.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 267 was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Wilkeson, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 60, noes 3, absent or not voting 15.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 182 was taken up.

On motion of Mr. A. S. Bush, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 42, noes 15, absent or not voting 21.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 428 was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Day, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 51, noes 15, absent or not voting 12.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 8, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed House bill No. 260, entitled "An act making an appropriation for the relief of T. M. Alvord," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 8, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed House bill No. 281, entitled "An act exempting the proceeds of life insurance from liability for debt," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 8, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 220, entitled "An act for the relief of the Union Savings' Bank and Trust Company," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 8, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 236; entitled "An act relating to the state board of health." The emergency clause failed to pass. And the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

House bill No. 311 was taken up, read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 57, noes 9, absent or not voting 12.


The emergency clause was passed: Ayes 57, noes 9, absent or not voting 12.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 7, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your committee on conference on Senate bill No. 76, as amended by the House, report as follows: The Senate committee has receded from
its position, and concurs in the amendments made to said bill by this House.

Respectfully submitted.

F. I. Phelps.
A. D. Warner.
Frank Wilkeson.

On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., MARCH 7, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your committee on conference with Senate committee, to whom was referred House bill No. 371, entitled "An act to fix the fees to be collected by the secretary of state in relation to corporations, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives. As no agreement can be reached by your committee, we would urge the appointment of a free conference committee to further consider the same.

Respectfully submitted.

J. P. de Mattos, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

L. E. Rader.

On motion, the report was adopted.

The same committee was appointed as a free conference committee.

House bill No. 66 was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Moore, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 41, noes 20, absent or not voting 17.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker F. R., Fritz, Guie, Geraghty, Irvin, Levin, Marshall, Mentzer, Pierson, Powell, Roberts,
Ross, Smith H. D., Struve, Warner, Williams, and Wilkeson — 17.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 427 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

The clerk was instructed to record the vote of the House for the bill.

The bill was passed: Ayes 61, noes 0, absent or not voting 17.


Noes: None.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 328 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

The clerk was instructed to engross the vote of the House for the same.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 61, noes 0, absent or not voting 17.

Thacker, Tobiassen, Way, Windust, Winsor, Witt, Wolf and Mr. Speaker—61.

Noes: None.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 327 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 54, noes 10, absent or not voting 14.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 629, was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 630, substitute for House bill No. 324, was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 50, noes 15, absent or not voting 13.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COUNTIES AND COUNTY BOUNDARIES.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Counties and County Boundaries, to whom was referred House bill No. 315, entitled “An act to repeal an act to provide for the economical management of county affairs, Statutes of 1898, approved March 15, 1898,” have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

A. S. BUSH, Chairman.
F. I. Phelps.
A. Mathiot.
J. D. Hagadorn.
C. A. Mentzer.
John Hargrave.
E. L. Koehler.
On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 50, noes 4, absent or not voting 24.


On vote, the emergency clause was passed: Ayes 50, noes 4, absent or not voting 24.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 631, substitute for House bill No. 326, was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.
On vote, the bill failed to pass: Ayes 30, noes 35, absent or not voting 13.


HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 23, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 42, entitled "An act to amend section 4, and an act entitled "An act relating to the organization, powers and duties of the supreme court, and declaring an emergency to exist, approved December 23, 1889," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted,

We concur in this report:

Solon T. Williams, Chairman.

H. K. Struve.
E. H. Guie.
E. W. Way.
J. P. de Mattos.
John H. Powell.
A. D. Warner.
L. E. Rader.

MINORITY REPORT.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 23, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
We, a minority of your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 42, entitled "An act to amend section 4, and an act entitled "An act relating to the organization, powers and duties of the supreme court, and declaring an emergency to exist, approved December 23, 1889," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the
same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation
that it do pass.
Respectfully submitted.

Mr. Roberts moved to substitute the minority report for the
majority report.
Mr. Day was called to the chair at 11:10 o’clock A. M.
On vote, the motion was lost.
Moved, that the majority report be adopted.
The motion was carried.
Mr. Geraghty moved that House bills Nos. 540 to 560 be
passed, under suspension of the rules, all together.
The motion was lost.
House bill No. 540 was read the second time.
On motion of Mr. Williams, the rules were suspended, the second
reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and
placed on its final passage.
On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 53, noes 2, absent or not
voting 23.
Ayes: Messrs. Ames, Baker F. R., Baker S. W., Barlow, Bush
A. S., Bush C. P., Canutt, Carr, Caywood, Conine, Day, de Mat-
tos, Edwards J. M., Freeman, Forbes, Geraghty, Gilkey, Hansen,
Hargrave, Hodgdon, Hooper, Irvin, Johnston, Jory, Kincaid, Kittinger,
Koehler, Land, Libby, Likins, Lusher, Marshall, Mentzer,
Merrifield, Mitchell, Mohundro, Moore, McAtee, Nelson, Parker,
Phelps, Pierson, Richmond, Roberts, Ross, Smith J. B., Stuhrman,
Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker G. H., Clapp, Couch, Ed-
wards J. O., Fritz, Guie, Hagadorn, Hicks, Levin, Lindstrom,
Mathiot, Powell, Scott, Smith C., Smith H. D., Smith P. M.,
Stafford, Tobiassen, Warner, Winsor, Wilkeson, Witt, and Mr.
Speaker—23.
There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to
stand as the title of the act.
House bill No. 541 was read the second time, and on motion of
Mr. Geraghty, the rules were suspended, the second reading con-
sidered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its
final passage.
On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 53, noes 2, absent or not voting 23.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 542 was read the second time.

On motion of Mr. Gilkey, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On motion, the vote of House bill No. 541 was ordered recorded for House bill No. 542: Ayes 53, noes 2, absent or not voting 23.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Moved by Mr. Williams, that the rules be suspended, and all Judiciary Committee bills pass on second reading.

On vote, the motion was adopted.

House bill No. 543 was read the second time.

On vote, the same vote was recorded as was cast for House bill No. 541: Ayes 53, noes 2, absent or not voting 23.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 544 was read the second time, and placed on its final passage.

On motion, the vote cast on the passage of House bill No. 541, was ordered recorded for House bill No. 544, as follows: Ayes 53, noes 2, absent or not voting 23.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker G. H., Clapp, Couch,

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 546 was read the second time, and placed on its final passage.

On motion, the vote cast on the passage of House bill No. 541 was ordered recorded for House bill No. 546, as follows: Ayes 53, noes 2, absent or not voting 23.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 547 was read the second time.

On motion, the vote cast on the passage of House bill No. 541 was ordered recorded for House bill No 547, as follows: Ayes 53, noes 2, absent or not voting 23.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker G. H., Clapp, Couch, Ed-

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 548 was read the third time, and passed.

On motion, the vote cast on the passage of House bill No. 541 was ordered recorded for House bill No. 548: Ayes 53, noes 2, absent or not voting 23.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House memorial No. 17, by Mr. Warner, relating to the forestry reserve proclamation by the president, was read the first time.

The speaker resumed the chair at 11:40 o'clock A. M.

On motion of Mr. Warner, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the memorial considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On motion, the vote of the House was recorded for the memorial: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

House bill No. 549 was read the third time, and passed.

On motion, the vote cast on the passage of House bill No. 541, was ordered recorded for House bill No. 549: Ayes 53, noes 2, absent or not voting 23.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 550 was read the second time, and put upon its final passage, under suspension of the rules.

On motion, the vote cast on the passage of House bill No. 541, was ordered recorded for House bill No. 550, as follows: Ayes 53, noes 2, absent or not voting 23.


There being no objection, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 551 was read the second time, and put upon its final passage, under suspension of the rules.

On motion, the vote cast on the final passage of house bill No. 541 was ordered recorded for House bill No. 551: Ayes 53, noes 2, absent or not voting 23.


There being no objection, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 552 was read the second time, and put upon its final passage, under the suspension of the rules.

On motion, the vote cast on the passage of House bill No. 541 was ordered recorded for House bill No. 552: Ayes 53, noes 2, absent or not noting 23.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 553 was read the second time, and put upon its final passage, under the suspension of the rules.

On motion, the vote cast on the passage of House bill No. 541 was ordered recorded for House bill No. 553, as follows: Ayes 53, noes 2, absent or not voting 23.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 554 was read the second time and put upon its final passage, under a suspension of the rules.

On motion, the vote cast on the passage of House bill No. 541 was ordered recorded for House bill No. 554: Ayes 53, noes 2, absent or not voting 23.

Ayes: Messrs. Ames, Baker F. R., Baker S. W., Barlow, Bush A. S., Bush C. P., Canutt, Carr, Caywood, Conine, Day; de Mattos,
Edwards J. M., Freeman, Forbes, Geraghty, Gilkey, Hansen, Har- 
grave, Hodgdon, Hooper, Irvin, Johnston, Jory, Kincaid, Kittinger, 
Koehler, Land, Libby, Likins, Lusher, Marshall, Mentzer, Merri- 
field, Mitchell, Mohundro, Moore, McAtee, Nelson, Parker, Phelps, 
Pierson, Richmond, Roberts, Ross, Smith J. B., Stuhman, Struve, 
Thacker, Way, Williams, Windust, and Wolf—53.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker G. H., Clapp, Couch, 
Edwards J. O., Fritz, Guie, Hagadorn, Hicks, Levin, Lindstrom, 
Mathiot, Powell, Scott, Smith C., Smith H. D., Smith P. M., 
Stafford, Tobiassen, Warner, Winsor, Wilkeson, Witt, and Mr. 
Speaker—23.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to 
stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 555 was read the second time, and placed upon 
its final passage, under a suspension of the rules.

On motion, the vote cast on the passage of House bill No. 541 
was ordered recorded for House bill No. 555: Ayes 53, noes 2, 
absent or not voting 23.

Ayes: Messrs. Ames, Baker F. R., Baker S. W., Barlow, Bush 
A. S., Bush C. P., Canutt, Carr, Caywood, Conine, Day, de Mattos, 
Edwards J. M., Freeman, Forbes, Geraghty, Gilkey, Hansen, 
Hargrave, Hodgdon, Hooper, Irvin, Johnston, Jory, Kincaid, Kittinger, 
Koehler, Land, Libby, Likins, Lusher, Marshall, Mentzer, Merrifield, 
Mitchell, Mohundro, Moore, McAtee, Nelson, Parker, Phelps, Pierson, Richmond, Roberts, Ross, Smith J. B., Stuhman, 


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker G. H., Clapp, Couch, Edwards J. O., Fritz, Guie, Hagadorn, Hicks, Levin, Lindstrom, 
Mathiot, Powell, Scott, Smith C., Smith H. D., Smith P. M., 
Stafford, Tobiassen, Warner, Winsor, Wilkeson, Witt, and Mr. 
Speaker—23.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to 
stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 556 was read the second time, and placed upon 
its final passage, under a suspension of the rules.

On motion, the vote cast on the passage of House bill No. 541 
was ordered recorded for House bill No. 556: Ayes 53, noes 2, 
absent or not voting 23.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 557 was read the second time, and placed on its final passage, under a suspension of the rules.

On motion, the vote cast on the passage of House bill No. 541 was ordered recorded for House bill No. 557, as follows: Ayes 53, noes 2, absent or not voting 23.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 558 was read the second time, and placed on its final passage, under a suspension of the rules.
On motion, the vote cast on the passage of House bill No. 541 was ordered recorded for House bill No. 558, as follows: Ayes 53, noes 2, absent or not voting 23.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 559 was read the second time, and placed on its final passage, under a suspension of the rules.

On motion, the vote cast on the passage of House bill No. 541 was ordered recorded for House bill No. 559, as follows: Ayes 53, noes 2, absent or not voting 23.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.
MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 8, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed joint resolution No. 28, entitled "An act relative to introduction of House memorial to congress," and the same is here-with returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

House bill No. 560 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 53, noes 2, absent or not voting 23.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

House bill No. 609 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

Senate bill No. 172, substitute for Senate bill No. 81, was reported back from the committee without recommendation.

On motion, the House adjourned at 12 o'clock m.
The House convened at 2 p. m.; Speaker Cline presiding, a quorum being present.

House joint resolution No. 13 was called up and placed on third reading.

Moved by Mr. Williams, to indefinitely postpone the resolution. The motion was lost.

Moved by Mr. de Mattos, that the rules be suspended, and the resolution returned to second reading.

The motion was lost.

On vote, the resolution was passed: Ayes 43, noes 21, absent or not voting 14.


MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

STATE OF WASHINGTON, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

OLYMPIA, March 6, 1897.

To the Honorable Speaker of the House of Representatives, State of Washington:

Sir—Governor Rogers has this day approved House bill No. 135, an act for the protection of persons working in coal mines.

Also, House bill No. 232, an act establishing a board of pardons and defining its duties and declaring an emergency.

Also, House bill No. 243, an act providing for a uniform system of public blanks for use in counties of the State of Washington, and regulating the manufacture and sale thereof by the state.

Also, House bill No. 375, an act to amend section 1418, volume 1 of
Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, relating to the adoption of legal heirs.

Also, House bill No. 519, an act to provide for the punishment of recalcitrant witnesses before committees appointed by legislative bodies of the State of Washington, or either of them, and declaring an emergency.

Also, House memorial No. 3, a memorial asking congress to establish a life saving station on the coast of Washington, north of Gray's Harbor, and to extend the government telegraph line from Tatoosh Island to said Gray's Harbor.

Also, House memorial No. 12, a memorial relating to the recognition of the Hon. Wm. A. Newell.

Very respectfully, J. E. BALLAINE, Private Secretary.

Moved by Mr. C. P. Bush, that when we adjourn it be to 7:30 o'clock p. m. to consider Senate bill No. 263.

The motion was carried.

Moved by Mr. Hooper, that the House reconsider the vote on House bill No. 108 by which it failed to pass.

The motion was carried.

Moved by Mr. Jory, that the House take up House bill No. 108 immediately.

The motion was carried.

The roll was ordered called on the final passage of House bill No. 108.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 42, noes 32, absent or not voting 4.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.
STATE OF WASHINGTON.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 260, entitled "An act making an appropriation for the relief of T. M. Alvord, on account of failure in the title to university lands," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. L. E. RADER, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES AND GAME.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 18, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House bill No. 282, entitled "An act abolishing the office of fish commissioner, providing for the division of the state into two districts, and appointment of commissioner thereto. Also amending sections 2568, 2569, 2571, 2572 and 2573, and repealing sections 2570 and 2574 of volume 1 of Hill's Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass as amended.

Respectfully submitted. HANS HANSEN, Chairman.

We concur in this report: A. T. TOBIASSEN. J. M. EDWARDS. J. C. CONINE. J. P. DE MATTOS. C. J. MOORE. J. O. COUCH. W. L. FREEMAN.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 1, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House bill No. 573, entitled "An act to amend section 3 and section 6 of an act of the legislature of the State of Washington, approved February 20, 1890, entitled 'An act for the appointment of a fish commission and defining its duties, and declaring an emergency to exist,'" have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted. HANS HANSEN, Chairman.

We concur in this report: J. Z. NELSON. J. P. DE MATTOS. E. L. KOEHLER. C. J. MOORE. B. F. DAY. J. M. EDWARDS. W. L. FREEMAN.
MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 8, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
The president of the Senate has appointed the following, Senators Yeend, Range, Washburn, T. J. Miller, and Deckebach, as a free conference committee to consider the difference of the two houses on House bill No. 371, “An act to fix the fees to be collected by the secretary of state in relation to corporations, and declaring an emergency.”

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 8, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
The president of the Senate has signed House memorial No. 8, “To the Senate and House of Representatives,” and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 8, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
The president of the Senate has signed House concurrent resolution No. 27, “Authorizing the introduction of a bill by Senator T. J. Miller,” and the same is herewith returned.

The Senate has passed concurrent resolution No. 25, “Regarding forestry reserve proclamation,” and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 8, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed House bill No. 417, entitled “An act regulating common carriers, fixing maximum railroad freight rates in the State of Washington, prohibiting discrimination by railroad common carriers in the matter of such rates and of facilities for shipment, and providing for the due enforcement and observance of the rates so fixed, and of the regulations and prohibitions before referred to, and providing a method of determining the reasonableness of such rates and regulations, and making an appropriation therefor,” with numerous amendments, and, by order of the Senate, hereby remits an engrossed copy as passed by the Senate, and the same is herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 8, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed Senate concurrent resolution No. 26, relative to forestry reserve proclamation, and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.
MR. SPEAKER:

The president of the Senate has signed House bill No. 67, entitled "An act to regulate the mode of proceeding to appropriate lands by corporations for corporate purposes," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

On motion, House bill No. 573 was read in conjunction with House bill No. 282.

Moved by Mr. Nelson, to substitute House bill No. 573 for House bill No. 282.

On vote, the motion to substitute was carried.

Amendments to House bill No. 573, by Mr. Lindstrom:

1. In line 2, section 2, strike out the figures "$1,500" and insert the figures "$1,000."

The amendment was lost.

2. In line 2, section 2, strike out the figures "$1,500" and insert the figures "$1,200."

The amendment was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Day, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 70, noes 7, absent or not voting 1.


Absent or not voting: Mr. Hicks.

On vote, the emergency clause was passed: Ayes 61, noes 10, absent or not voting 7.

Ayes: Messrs. Ames, Baker F. R., Baker S. W., Barlow,


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Canutt, Hicks, Marshall, Powell, Rader, Thacker, and Witt—7.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

The speaker appointed, as a committee on free conference, on House bill No. 373, Messrs. de Mattos, Marshall, Rader, Mentzer, and Witt.

On motion of Mr. Kittinger, the House reconsidered the vote on House bill No. 484, whereby it failed to pass.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 50, noes 22, absent or not voting 6.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.
Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on State, School and Granted Lands, to whom was referred House bill No. 223, entitled "An act for relief of claimants on section 16, township 38, north, range 2, east of Willamette meridian," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass as amended. Strike out all after the enacting clause, and insert therefor:

SECTION 1. The State of Washington having, as provided by the act of congress, selected in lieu of sections 16 and 36 in township 28, north, range 2, east of Willamette meridian, other lands, which said selections have been approved by the secretary of the interior, May 4, 1895, it is therefore declared by the legislature that the State of Washington has no claim or right to said lands.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

J. C. Merrifield, Chairman.
J. M. Edwards.
Hans Hansen.
F. I. Phelps.
J. B. Johnston.
H. D. Jory.
Paul Land.

House Bill No. 603 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass as amended.

On motion of Mr. Hodgdon, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On motion, the clerk was instructed to cast the vote of the House for House bill No. 603.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.

Thacker, Tobiassen, Warner, Way, Williams, Wilkeson, Windust, Winsor, Witt, Wolf, and Mr. Speaker—78.

Nees: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, that the house do reconsider the vote whereby the emergency clause on House bill No. 428 failed to pass.

The motion was carried.

On vote, the emergency clause was passed: Ayes 60, noes 3, absent or not voting 15.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Canutt, Caywood, Couch, Gerry, Hicks, Irvin, Kittinger, Koehler, Marshall, Phelps, Smith C., Smith H. D., Williams, Wilkeson, and Windust—15.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Senate concurrent resolution No. 26, allowing Senator Keith to introduce Senate memorial, was read.

On motion of Mr. Warner, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the resolution considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

The clerk was instructed to engross the vote of the House for Senate concurrent resolution No. 26.

The resolution was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.
Absent or not voting: None.

Senate memorial No. 12, by Senator Keith: Relating to forestry reserve, was read.

On motion of Mr. Warner, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, and the memorial placed on its final passage.

The clerk was instructed to cast the vote of the House on the passage of the memorial.

The memorial was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.
Absent or not voting: None.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 8, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed House memorial No. 17, relating to forestry reserve, and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC MORALS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 24, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Public Morals, to whom was referred House bill No. 390, entitled "An act to regulate the business of pawnbrokers," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows:

In section 2, line 5, strike out "$500," and insert in lieu thereof "$250."
In section 7, line 2, strike out the word "three," and insert the word "two." In same section and line, strike out the word "two," and insert "one and one-half" in lieu thereof.
In section 8, line 2, strike out the words "one year," and insert the words "six months."

SEC. 13. An emergency clause is hereby declared; therefore, this law shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

And as so amended, that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

J. C. CONINE, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

HANS HANSEN.
MILES T. HOOPER.
H. D. JORY.

Amendment by Mr. Powell: Strike out section 7.

On vote, the amendment was adopted.
The bill was ordered passed to third reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CITIES OF THE FIRST CLASS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 24, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Cities of the First Class, to whom was referred House bill No. 503, entitled "An act in relation to assessments for local improvements, providing for the enforcement thereof and the refunding of warrants issued therefor, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

JAS. HUGH ROSS, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

J. M. GERAGHTY.
JOHN FORBES.
SOLON T. WILLIAMS.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 44, noes 13, absent or not voting 21.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 223, entitled "An act for relief of claimants on section 16, township 38, north, range 2, east of Willamette meridian," has been carefully compared with original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted.

H. D. Jory, Chairman.

House bill No. 474 was reported back from the committee without recommendation.

Moved by Mr. Canutt, to take up House bill No. 417 for action.

On vote, the motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Geraghty, that the House refuse to concur in the Senate's amendments to House bill No. 417.

On vote, the motion was lost.

On vote, the House refused to concur in the Senate's amendment to section 1.

On vote, the House concurred in the Senate's amendments to section 2, section 3 and section 4.

Moved to re-refer the bill to the Committee on Railroads.

On vote, the motion was lost.

On motion, the House adjourned at 5 o'clock p.m.
The House convened at 7:30 o'clock P. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

A quorum being present, the House took under consideration Senate bill No. 263.

The bill was read the first time.

Moved by Mr. Ross, that rule 44 be suspended for the evening. On vote, the motion was lost.

House bill No. 595 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it pass as amended.

Moved by Mr. Guie, that rule 44 be suspended. On vote, the motion was lost.

 Moved by Mr. Powell, that the bill be considered read, and the House proceed to amendments thereto. On vote, the motion was lost.

Amendments by Mr. Warner: In section 95, strike out the first six lines of the section, and insert the following: "Any day after the taxes charged against real property are delinquent, the treasurer shall have the right, and it shall be his duty, upon demand and payment of the taxes and interest, to make out and issue certificates of delinquency against such delinquent property, and such certificate shall be numbered, and have a stub, which shall be a summary of the certificate, and shall contain a statement." The amendment was adopted.

In section 97, line 1, strike out the words "first day of August next following."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Winsor: In section 5, after subdivision 7, insert subdivision 8, as follows: "The improvement in and upon the land of each person liable to assessment and taxation under the provisions of this act, of which such individual is the actual and bona fide owner, to an amount not exceeding five hundred ($500) dollars: Provided, That each person shall list all of his improvements for taxation, and the county assessor shall deduct the amount of the exemption, authorized by this section, from the total amount of the assessment, and assess the remainder."

On vote, the amendment was lost: Ayes 34, noes 35, absent or not voting 9.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Ames, Caywood, Clapp, Gerry, Hicks, Libby, Mathiot, Richmond, and Smith P. M.—9.

Moved by Mr. Roberts, to reconsider the vote on amendment to section 97, whereby it carried.

The motion was carried.

On vote, the amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Nelson: Strike out section 119.

On vote, the amendment was adopted: Ayes 40, noes 28, absent or not voting 10.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Caywood, Clapp, Gerry, Gilkey, Hansen, Hicks, Libby, Mathiot, Richmond, and Smith P. M.—10.

Amendment by Mr. Wilkeson: In section 30, line 5, after the word “thereof,” insert the words “which value shall be ascertained by determining the cost per mile of duplicating the railroad property, which is within the state, of each and every railroad company that operates in the State.”

On vote, the amendment was adopted.
Moved by Mr. Struve, to adjourn until 9 o'clock A. M. tomorrow.
The motion was carried.
The House adjourned at 10:50 o'clock P. M.

S. P. Carusi, Chief Clerk.

FIFTY-EIGHTH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Washington, Tuesday, March 9, 1897,
9 o'clock A. M.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House convened at 9 o'clock A. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.
Prayer was offered by Rev. W. G. M. Hays, of the United Presbyterian Church.
Roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names.
The journal of the preceding day was read and approved.

Reports of Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills.

Mr. Speaker:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 281, entitled "An act amending an act entitled 'An act exempting the proceeds of life insurance from liability for debt, and declaring an emergency,' approved March 20, 1896," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.
Respectfully submitted. L. E. Rader, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

Mr. Speaker:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House Bill No. 390, entitled "An act to regulate the business of pawnbrokers," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.
Respectfully submitted. H. D. Jory, Chairman.
STATE OF WASHINGTON. 851

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS AND AUDITING.

Mr. Speaker:

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Wash., March 6, 1897.

We, your Committee on Claims and Auditing, to whom was referred sundry accounts, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that the following be allowed: To F. W. Crombie, for soap, $2.40; A. W. Wisner, for stamps, $2.50; Bilger & Going, for supplies, $3.45; total, $8.35.

Respectfully submitted.

C. J. Moore, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

R. B. Gerry.

Phil. M. Smith.

Henry Carr.

John Forbes.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Mr. Speaker:

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Wash., March 6, 1897.

We, your Committee on Claims and Auditing, to whom was referred the bill of L. Bettman for rent of nine rooms in Bettman block for committee rooms, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that L. Bettman be allowed $67.50, instead of $90, as claimed.

Respectfully submitted.

C. J. Moore, Chairman.

R. B. Gerry.

Henry Carr.

S. D. Hicks.

John Forbes.

On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FREE CONFERENCE.

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Wash., March 9, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your committee on free conference, to whom was referred House bill No. 371, entitled "An act fixing the fees to be paid to the secretary of the state by corporations doing business in this state, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, with the free conference committee of the Senate, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, as we have amended it, and ask the House to adopt the same as our report.

Respectfully submitted.

J. P. de Mattos, Chairman.


L. E. Rader.

C. A. Mentzer.


On motion, the report was adopted.
Moved by Mr. Likins, to take House bill No. 381 from the table for consideration.

The motion was lost.

Moved by Mr. C. P. Bush, to reconsider the vote by which House bill No. 315 was passed.

The consideration was deferred.

Moved by Mr. Witt, that House bill No. 595 be made a special order for 2 o'clock P. M.

Amendment by Mr. Warner: To include House bill No. 608.

On vote, the amendment was lost.

Moved by Mr. C. P. Bush, to reconsider the vote by which House bill No. 315 was passed.

The consideration was deferred.

Moved by Mr. Witt, that House bill No. 595 be made a special order for 2 o'clock P. M.

Amendment by Mr. Warner: To include House bill No. 608.

On vote, the amendment was lost.

Moved by Mr. Canutt, that the rules be suspended, and that House bill No. 417 be taken up for consideration.

The motion was carried.

Moved by Mr. Mitchell, that House bill No. 620 be substituted for House bill No. 466 on the calendar.

The motion was carried.

A resolution by Mr. Winsor, relating to the purchasing of the Codes of the State of Washington of 1896, was read, and on motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the resolution was laid on the table.

Moved by Mr. Canutt, that the House refuse to concur in Senate amendments to House bill No. 417.

On vote, the motion was carried.

House bill No. 625 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

Senate bill No. 51 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it do pass.

Senate bill No. 263 (the revenue bill) was taken up to be voted upon.

Amendment by Mr. Phelps: Strike out section 120.

The amendment was adopted.

Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, that the House reconsider the vote whereby the House refused to adopt amendment to section 5, subdivision 8, by Mr. Winsor.

On vote, the motion to reconsider was carried.

On vote, the amendment was adopted: Ayes 47, noes 29, absent or not voting 2.

Ayes: Messrs. Baker F. R., Baker S. W., Bush C. P., Canutt, Carr, Conine, Couch, Day, Edwards J. O., Freeman, Fritz, Forbes, Geraghty, Gilkey, Hagadorn, Hansen, Hargrave, Hicks, Hodgdon,


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Roberts and Ross—2.

Amendment by Mr. Hodgdon: Strike out section 42.

The amendment was carried.

Amendment by Mr. Powell: In section 4, line 2, insert after "treasury notes" the words "United States notes."

The amendment was carried.

Amendment by Mr. Powell: In section 5, line 39, strike the word "five" and insert the word "three."

On vote, the amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Williams: In line 2, section 111, insert the word "valid" after the word "any" and before the word "taxes."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Warner: In line 2, section 117, insert after the word "tax," a comma and the words "or taxes."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. F. R. Baker: In section 64, line 5, strike "10" "ten" and insert "5" "five."

The amendment was carried.

Amendment by Mr. Powell: Add to section 61 the following: "Any party aggrieved by any decision of the board of equalization of any county may appeal therefrom to the superior court of such county in the manner provided for appeals from decisions of the boards of county commissioners: Provided, That the remedy by appeal shall be concurrent with all other remedies, and the right to question any decision of a county board of equalization for actual or constructive fraud, or for error of fact or law, shall not be denied in any court in any action or appeal heretofore or hereafter brought: Provided, That such appeal shall not delay the levy or collection of taxes or of any tax."

The amendment was lost.
Amendment by Mr. Witt: In section 93, line 3, after the word "thereof" insert the following proviso: "Provided, That the treasurer shall receive county warrants at their full face value in payment for such certificate of delinquency."

The amendment was lost.

Amendments by Mr. Roberts: In section 55, line 6, strike out the word "July," and insert the word "August."

In section 59, line 35, strike out the word "July," and insert the word "August."

In section 60, line 6, strike out the word "August," and insert the word "September."

In section 61, line 6, strike out the word "Monday," and insert the word "Tuesday."

In section 61, line 6, strike out the word "August," and insert the word "September."

In section 63, line 9, strike out the word "first," and insert the word "last."

In section 69, line 8, strike out the word "the" after the word "where."

In section 97, line 1, strike out the word "August," and insert the word "December."

In section 103, line 2, strike out the words "of issuance of certificates."

In section 114, line 9, strike out the word "entitled," and insert the words "the absolute title."

In section 63, lines 24, 27 and 28, strike out the word "January," and insert the word "February."

On vote, the amendments were adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Roberts: Add to section 63 the following proviso: "Provided further, That warrants on the salary fund outstanding on said first day of February, 1898, shall be paid out of the county indebtedness fund, and in advance of any other indebtedness."

On vote, the amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Roberts: Add to section 104 the following proviso: "Provided, The treasurer shall, upon the making of such order and judgment of the court to execute such deed, first offer the property condemned for sale for the taxes, interest, charges and costs. All sales shall be made on Saturday, between the hours of nine o'clock in the morning and four o'clock in the afternoon,
after first giving notice of the time and place where such sale is to take place for ten days successively by posting notice thereof in three public places in such county. Such notice shall contain a statement that by order of the court duly made the property described was on the day of, 18..., adjudged forfeited for non-payment of taxes for the year, levied against such property, with interest and costs (stating the same), and that such treasurer will offer the same for sale to the highest and best bidder therefor. At such sale the holder of the certificate shall be deemed a bidder to the amount of his claim, and upon such sale the treasurer shall execute the deed as in the order of the court decreed. The treasurer may include in one notice any number of separate tracts or lots for the same year's taxes.''

On vote, the amendment was lost.

Amendments by Mr. Roberts: In section 120—

The treasurer shall upon the issuance of a certificate of delinquency collect $0.50

For making a deed including all services rendered including sales and posting notices $3.00

The clerk of the court shall upon filing application for judgment and for all services rendered to and including judgment $2.00

From each contestant at time of filing such contest $5.00

The amendments was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Way: add to section 72—

"Where improvements have been made on tide lands or lands under water in front of towns or cities, prior to the location of harbor lines in such towns or cities, by the state board of harbor line commissioners, and the reserved harbor area as located includes such improvements, no distraint or sale of such improvements for taxes shall be had until six months after a lease of said lands covered by said improvements has been made or offered from or by such board as shall be authorized by law to execute leases of tracts embraced within the reserved harbor area of the state: Provided, That this act shall not apply to any tract or tracts that said board shall decide not to lease or otherwise dispose of, and that this act shall not affect or impair the lien on said improvements for such taxes and the penalties and interest thereon."

The amendment was lost.

Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, to reconsider the vote on the amendment by Mr. Roberts, on section 104.

The motion carried.

On vote, the amendment was carried.

Amendment by Mr. Jory: In section 96, line 3, after the word
“thereof” insert the following: “Provided, That the treasurer shall receive county warrants at their full face value in payment of one-fourth of the amount of such certificates of delinquency.”

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Tobiassen: In section 55, after line 25, insert the following: “Provided further, That in all counties of the first to the thirteenth class inclusive, the county assessor shall extend the assessment upon the books as herein provided.”

The amendment was lost.

Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, to reconsider the vote whereby substitute for section 120 failed of adoption.

The motion was carried.

Amendment by Mr. Canutt: In section 54, line 6, add, after the word “assessor,” the following: “When the assessor shall be of opinion that the person listing property for himself, or for any other person, company or corporation, has not made a full, fair and complete list of such property, and stated the correct value of the same, if such statement shall be required by the assessor, he may examine such person under oath in regard to the amount of the property he is required to list, and the value of the same, and if such person shall refuse to answer under oath, and a full discovery make, the assessor may list the property of such person or his principal according to his best judgment and information; and in case such property shall be the contents of any store, or any collection of goods, wares and merchandise, of any description whatsoever, the assessor shall demand of such person the invoice of the same. And if such person shall fail or refuse to exhibit to the assessor said invoice, the assessor shall select two competent persons to assist him in taking an invoice of such goods, wares and merchandise, and shall make his assessment in accordance with the value thereof so found to be true, and the expense of such invoice shall be a charge against the goods, wares and merchandise so assessed, and shall be paid by the owner thereof; and any person neglecting or refusing to furnish such invoice to such assessor upon demand when the same may be had, shall be liable to the penalty prescribed in section 41 of chapter 126 of the Session Laws of 1893.”

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Rader: Add to section 98 the following:
"And any number of certificates of a single holder issued for the same year's tax, or assessment, upon property of one or more owners, may be included in the same application, summons and judgment."

The amendment was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Warner, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote the bill was passed: Ayes 54, noes 17, absent or not voting 7.


The emergency clause was passed: Ayes 54, noes 17, absent or not voting 7.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 9, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed Senate memorial No. 12, relating to forestry reserves, and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.-

House bill No. 359 was reported back from the committee without recommendation.
House bill No. 452 was reported back from the committee without recommendation.
House bill No. 360 was reported back from the committee without recommendation.
House bill No. 361 was reported back from the committee without recommendation.
House bill No. 571 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

On vote, the House adjourned at 11:45 o'clock A. M. to 1:30 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House was called to order at 1:30 o'clock P. M., by Speaker Cline; a quorum being present, the House proceeded to business.

Moved by Mr. Fritz, to substitute House bill No. 355 for House bill No. 466, and that the same be acted upon.

The motion was carried.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House memorial No. 10, relating to forest reserve proclamation of February 22, 1897, has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. D. R. Lusher, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.
MR. SPEAKER: We, your Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House bill No. 355, entitled "An act for the relief of W. B. Davey, and making an appropriation therefor," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows, and, as so amended, do pass:

In line 2, section 1, strike out words and figures "nine thousand six hundred twenty-four dollars and eighty-five cents ($9,624.85)," and insert "nine thousand four hundred eighteen dollars and twenty cents ($9,418.20)."

Amend section 1, after word "Davey," in line 3 of said section, add the words "and other creditors of the state normal school at New Whatcom."

Strike out section 2, and insert instead:

SEC. 2. The state auditor is hereby authorized and instructed to examine and audit the unpaid claims and accounts outstanding on account of the construction of the state normal school building at New Whatcom, and to draw his warrants upon the aforesaid appropriation of nine thousand four hundred eighteen dollars and twenty cents ($9,418.20) in favor of the creditors, and the state treasurer is hereby directed to pay said warrants out of any money in the state normal school fund not otherwise appropriated.

In title of act, insert after word "Davey," the words "and other creditors of the state normal school at New Whatcom."

Respectfully submitted.

Theron Stafford.

C. S. Barlow.
A. T. Tobiassen.
A. D. Warner.
J. L. Likins.
David Mitchell.
J. C. Merrifield.

MR. SPEAKER: We, a minority of the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House bill No. 355, entitled "An act for the relief of W. B. Davey, and making an appropriation therefor," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows, and as so amended do pass:

In section 1, line 2, strike out the words and figures "nine thousand six hundred twenty-four dollars and eighty-five cents ($9,624.85)," and insert "four thousand one hundred eighty-nine dollars and sixty-five cents ($4,189.65)." In section 1, line 3, after the word "Davey," add the words "and other creditors of the state normal school at New Whatcom."
Strike out section 2, and insert instead the following section: "Sec. 2. The state auditor is hereby authorized and instructed to examine and audit the unpaid claims and accounts outstanding on account of the construction of the state normal school building at New Whatcom, and to draw his warrants upon the aforesaid appropriation of four thousand one hundred eighty-nine dollars and five cents ($4,189.05) in favor of the creditors, and the state treasurer is hereby directed to pay said warrants out of any money in the state normal school fund not otherwise appropriated."

In title of this act insert, after the word "Davey," the words "and other creditors of the state normal school at New Whatcom."

Respectfully submitted.
GEO. M. WITT, Chairman.
I concur in this report:
C. J. MOORE.

SECOND MINORITY REPORT.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 2, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, a minority of your Committee on Appropriation, to whom was referred House bill No. 355, entitled "An act for relief of W. B. Davey, and making an appropriation therefor," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.
C. P. BUSH.
H. D. SMITH.

Moved by Mr. Pierson, to adopt the majority report.
Moved by Mr. Witt, to substitute the first minority report for the majority report.

On vote, the motion to adopt the first minority report was lost.
Moved by Mr. Rader, to substitute the second minority report.
The motion was lost.

On vote, the majority report was adopted.

Amendment to committee amendment: In line 2, section 1, relating to amount, strike out the figures "$9,418.20" and insert the figures "$4,189.05."

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

Moved by Mr. Ross, to reconsider the vote by which the committee's amendments were adopted.
The motion was carried.

On vote, the committee amendments as per majority report were lost.

On motion of Mr. Pierson, the rules were suspended, the second
reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill failed to pass: Ayes 35, noes 43, absent or not voting 0.


Absent or not voting: None.

Senate concurrent resolution No. 27, relating to forestry reserve, was read, the rules suspended and passed on vote of House: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 9, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has appointed the following committee, Senators Deckebach, Dorr, Runner, Miller David, and Crow, to confer with a like com-
mittee of the House regarding the differences of the two houses on House bill No. 417, the same to report as soon as practicable.

Dudley Eshelman, Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 9, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed Senate concurrent resolution No. 27, relative to introduction of new bill, and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA WASH., March 9, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed House concurrent resolution No. 23, in relation to the procurement by exchange of copies of the Session Laws for the use of legislative committees, and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 9, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has appointed the following committee, Senators Hall, Baum and Range, to confer with a like committee regarding the differences of the two houses on House bill No. 234, to report as early as practicable.

Dudley Eshelman, Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 9, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has adopted the report of the free conference committee on House bill No. 371, by Mr. de Mattos, entitled "An act to fix fees for filing articles of incorporation," etc., adopting a substitute bill therefor; said substitute bill has been read the first and second time, and placed on general file, and the original bill, House bill No. 371, is herewith returned to the House.

Dudley Eshelman, Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 9, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has concurred in the following House amendments to Senate bill No. 263:

Amendment to sec. 120.
Amendment to sec. 104.
Amendments by Mr. Roberts, relative to changing dates; also to secs. 114 and 63.
Amendment to sec. 64.
Amendment to sec. 4.
Striking out sec. 120.
Amendment to sec. 95.

And has refused to concur in the following House amendments, and respectfully asks the House to recede from the same:
Amendment to amend the title.
Amendment to sec. 98.
Striking out sec. 42.
Amendment to sec. 5, subdivision 7.
Amendment to sec. 30.
Striking out sec. 119, and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

House bill No. 620, substitute for House bill No. 434, was taken up and read the first time.
Moved, to substitute House bill No. 620 for House bill No. 434, and adopt the majority report.
The motion was carried.
Moved by Mr. Tobiassen, that House bill No. 620 be indefinitely postponed.
The motion was lost.
On motion of Mr. Williams, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.
On vote, the bill failed to pass: Ayes 31, noes 39, absent or not voting 8.
The speaker appointed as a committee of conference on House bill No. 254, Messrs. McAtee, Phelps, and Kincaid.
Moved by Mr. Rader, that the House refuse to recede from the
amendment to Senate bill No. 263, and ask that the Senate appoint a committee of conference.

House bill No. 151 was taken up and the amendments made by the committee considered.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BANKS AND BANKING.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 25, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Banks and Banking, to whom was referred House bill No. 151, entitled "An act providing for the organization and regulation of banks, and prescribing penalty for violations of this act, and declaring an emergency, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass as amended.

In section 1, line 7, of printed bill, strike out the words "allowed to banks."

In section 14, line 3, commencing at the word "the," strike out until the semicolon in line 4, and insert therefor "surplus and of the capital stock actually paid in."

In section 15, strike out lines 5 and 6, and insert in lieu thereof "of not less than one thousand nor more than five thousand dollars, or by imprisonment in the penitentiary for not less than one year nor more than five years, or by both such fine and imprisonment."

In line 3, section 16, insert the word "checks" after the word "bills."

In section 16, strike out all after the word "fine," in line 7, and insert in lieu thereof "of not less than one thousand nor more than five thousand dollars, or by imprisonment in the penitentiary for not less than one year nor more than five years, or by both such fine and imprisonment."

In section 17, line 2, strike out the word "or" and insert therefor the word "and."

In section 17, line 2, strike out all after the word "deposits," and in line 3 strike out all words preceding the word "without," and insert in lieu thereof the words "after the first day of January, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight."

In section 18, line 2, strike out the word "four" and insert in lieu thereof the word "two."

In section 19, line 2, strike out the words "for one week."

In section 28, line 2, strike out the word once, and insert in lieu thereof the word "twice."

Strike out all of section 24, and insert in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 24. Each and every bank so examined having not more than $15,000 then paid in shall pay a fee of $15 for each and every examination; and each and every bank having more than $15,000 capital stock paid in and not more than $25,000 capital stock paid in shall pay a fee of $20; and each and every bank having more than $25,000 capital stock paid in and not more than $30,000 capital stock paid in shall pay a fee of $25; and each and every bank having more than $30,000 capital stock paid in and not more than $50,000 capital stock paid in shall pay a fee of
$40; and each and every bank having more than $100,000 capital stock paid in and not more than $150,000 capital stock paid in shall pay a fee of $90; and each and every bank having more than $150,000 capital stock paid in shall pay a fee of $60 to the officer making such examination: Provided, That private or individual banks shall pay an examination fee of not less than $10: And provided further, That when the commissioner or deputy shall take charge of any bank he shall collect a fee of $5 for each and every day it shall remain in his charge.

In section 25, line 4, strike out the word "four" and insert in lieu thereof the word "two."

Strike out section 27 and insert the following:

Sec. 27. It shall be the duty of the bank commissioner to keep a record of all fees collected by him or his deputy, together with a record of the expenses incurred in making the examination of all banks, and at the end of each quarter pay over to the state treasurer all fees collected during the preceding quarter, and he shall file with the state treasurer an itemized statement showing from whom collected.

In section 29, lines 1 and 2, strike out the words "in the state capitol."

In section 30, line 1, strike out the words "organized under this act."

In section 31, strike out all of lines 7 and 8, and insert the following: "Provided, That the capital stock of any bank doing business under this act may be reduced at any time by resolution adopted by a three-fourths vote of its stockholders at any regular meeting or at a special meeting held for that purpose, of which all stockholders shall have due notice, subject to the approval of the bank commissioner. When the bank commissioner has approved of any such reduction, a certificate signed by the president and cashier of the bank setting forth the reduction of its capital and the names and amount of stock by each of its stockholders shall be filed with the secretary of state, and a duplicate copy shall be forwarded to the bank commissioner. Whenever the capital of any bank shall be reduced as provided in this section every stockholder, owner or holder of any stock certificate shall surrender same for cancellation, and shall be entitled to receive a new certificate for his proportion of the new stock."

Section 33, line 1, strike out the word "twelve," and insert in lieu thereof the word "fifteen." In section 33, line 2, strike out the word "six," and insert in lieu thereof the word "nine." In section 34 strike out all after the word "fine," in line 3, and insert the following, "of not less than one thousand nor more than five thousand dollars, or by imprisonment in the penitentiary for not less than one year nor more than five years, or by both such fine and imprisonment." In section 35, line 1, after the word "association" insert the following: "Transacting a banking business and." Strike out sections 37 and 38. Amend the title by striking out the emergency clause.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

J. C. Kincaid, Chairman.

J. A. Gilkey.

J. Z. Nelson.

B. F. Day.

Theron Stafford.

J. O. Edwards.


J. H. Ross.
MINORITY REPORT.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 25, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, a minority of your Committee on Banks and Banking, to whom was referred House bill No. 151, entitled "An act providing for the organization and regulation of banks, and prescribing penalty for violations of this act, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed for the following reasons:

1. To enforce the provisions of this act would not only work a great hardship and unnecessary expense to individuals and corporations doing a banking business within this state.

2. That we are already struggling under great and almost insurmountable difficulties, and that should this bill become a law it would force a large number of our banking institutions into liquidation, thereby causing a tightness in our already contracted money market. Banks would be compelled to call in all loans which would cause great distress to our people. The borrowers would be compelled to sacrifice their property, both personal and real, to satisfy the demand for settlement.

3. That the salaries, fees and mileage of the bank commissioners and assistants would add another large sum to the already unjust claims against the state. We have an example of bank commissioners in the national bank system. These banks are daily being reported in trouble.

4. For the best interest of the people at large, and business in general, we sincerely trust that the minority report will prevail.

Respectfully submitted.

J. H. MARSHALL.
D. LEVIN.
W. B. ROBERTS.

Amendment by Mr. Warner: To section 16½, add the following:

"Any officer or stockholder of any bank in this state, organized under the laws of this state, who shall borrow money from such bank, or shall appropriate any of the funds of said bank to his own use, with or without the knowledge of any of the other officers of said bank, shall be guilty of a felony, and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by imprisonment in the penitentiary, at hard labor, not less than one nor more than five years."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Gerry: In section 19, line 1, after the word "shall," insert the following: "Also show the total amount of all liabilities to such banking association on the part of the directors thereof, and such report shall."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Gilkey: At the end of section 14, add the
following proviso: "Provided, That the investments of any bank, doing business under this act, shall at no time exceed three times the capital and surplus actually paid in."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Day: Strike out the word "charter" wherever it appears and insert the words "articles of incorporation." The amendment was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Fritz, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill failed to pass: Ayes 39, noes 24, absent or not voting 15.


Moved by Mr. Warner, that the House do now take up House bill No. 566.

The motion was lost.

Moved by Mr. McAtee, that when the House adjourn it be to 7:30 o'clock p. m.

The motion carried.

On vote, House bill No. 566 was made a special order for 7:30 o'clock p. m.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DYKES AND DRAINAGE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 25, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Dykes and Drainage, to whom was referred House bill No. 380, entitled "An act to provide for laying out and estab-
lishing private ditches and drains," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

W. H. THACKER.
FRANK WILKESON.
J. Z. NELSON.
THOS. WINSOR.
J. B. LIBBY.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 51, noes 1, absent or not voting 26.


Noes: Mr. Parker.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Senate concurrent resolution No. 28, in relation to giving to Senator Plummer the privilege to introduce a bill in the Senate, was read, and passed by unanimous vote of the House: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

Senate bill No. 287, entitled "An act appropriating the sum of ten thousand dollars or as much thereof as may be necessary for the payment of the salaries of the members and employes and the other expenses of this legislature," was read.

On motion of Mr. Warner, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DYKES AND DRAINAGE.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Dykes and Drainage, to whom was referred House bill No. 501, entitled "An act providing for the establishment and construction of ditches for drainage purposes," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

W. H. Thacker.
Frank Wilkeson.
J. Z. Nelson.
Thos. Winsor.
J. B. Libby.
On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: AyeR 50, noes 1, absent or not voting 27.


Noes: Mr. Lindstrom.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

In open session of the House the speaker signed Senate bills Nos. 9 and 148, and Senate concurrent resolutions Nos. 25 and 23.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,
Olympia, Wash., March 9, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

The president of the Senate has signed Senate concurrent resolution No. 23, congratulating President McKinley, and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

Senate Chamber,
Olympia, Wash., March 9, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

The president of the Senate has signed Senate concurrent resolution No. 25, relating to forestry reserve proclamation, and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

Senate Chamber,
Olympia, Wash., March 9, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed Senate concurrent resolution No. 28, allowing Senator Plummer to introduce a bill, and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.
STATE OF WASHINGTON.

SENATE CHAMBER,
Olympia, Wash., March 9, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed Senate bill No. 148, relating to the sale of property under execution, and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
Olympia, Wash., March 9, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed Senate bill No. 9, entitled "An act providing for the sale of real property to foreclose liens," etc., and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
Olympia, Wash., March 9, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed House memorial No. 17, relative to forestry reserve proclamation, and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
Olympia, Wash., March 9, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed House bill No. 281, entitled "An act exempting the proceeds of life insurance from execution," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
Olympia, Wash., March 9, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed House bill No. 260, entitled "An act making an appropriation for the relief of T. M. Alvord," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Olympia, Wash., February 25, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House bill No. 310, entitled "An act to establish and maintain a fish hatchery on the Chehalis river or one of its tributaries, and appropriating funds therefor," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

GEO. M. WITT, Chairman.
THERON STAFFORD.
C. S. BARLOW.
C. J. MOORE.
A. T. TOBIASSEN.
F. I. PHELPS.
H. D. SMITH.
The rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 56, noes 1, absent or not voting 21.


Noes: Mr. Stuhrman.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CITIES OF THE FIRST CLASS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Olympia, Wash., February 26, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Cities of the First Class, to whom was referred House bill No. 534, entitled "An act authorizing the acquiring, receiving, condemnation, laying out, grading and improvement of boulevards, or composite highways and walks, cycle paths and parks in connection therewith, by cities of the first class," etc., have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

Jas. Hugh Ross, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

John Forbes.

J. M. Geraghty.

Geo. B. Kittinger.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.

Ayes: Messrs. Ames, Baker F. R., Baker G. H., Baker S. W.,
The rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage. On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 62, noes 3, absent or not voting 13.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.
Likins, Lindstrom, Lusher, Mentzer, Merrifield, Mitchell, Mohun- 
dro, Moore, McAtee, Nelson, Parker, Phelps, Pierson, Rader, Rich-
mond, Roberts, Ross, Scott, Smith H. D., Smith J. B., Smith P. 
M., Stafford, Struve, Tobiassen, Williams, Winsor, Witt, Wolf, 
Windust, and Mr. Speaker — 62.
Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker G. H., Barlow, Clapp, 
Hooper, Kittinger, Levin, Mathiot, Powell, Smith C., Thacker, 
There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to 
stand as the title of the act.
On vote, the House adjourned at 5 o’clock P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

The House convened at 7:30 o’clock P. M.; Speaker Cline in the 
chair.

House bill No. 566 was taken up for consideration.
The chair appointed as a conference committee on Senate bill No. 

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,

OLYMPIA, WASH., MARCH 9, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
The president of the Senate has appointed the following committee, 
Senators Taylor, Dorr, Plummer, Runner, and Range, to consider the 
differences between the two houses on Senate bill No. 263, and report as 
soon as practicable.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, House bill No. 479 was substi-
tuted for House bill No. 566, and the same was read.

On motion, rule 44 was suspended for the evening.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the rules were suspended, the 
second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, 
and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 43, noes 16, absent or not 
voting 19.

Ayes: Messrs. Baker F. R., Baker S. W., Bush C. P., Canutt, 
Carr, Couch, Edwards J. M., Freeman, Fritz, Forbes, Gilkey, Har-
grave, Hodgdon, Hooper, Irvin, Jory, Kincaid, Land, Likins, Liöd-
strom, Lusher, Merrifield, Moore, McAtee, Nelson, Parker, Pierson, Rader, Richmond, Roberts, Ross, Smith C., Smith J. B., Smith P. M., Stafford, Stuhrman, Tobiassen, Williams, Winsor, Way, Witt, Windust, and Mr. Speaker—43.


There being no objection, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Moved by Mr. Powell, that we do now adjourn.
On vote, the motion was carried, and the House adjourned at 8:45 o'clock P. M., to reconvene at 9 o'clock A. M.

CHAS. E. CLINE, Speaker.

S. P. CARUSI, Chief Clerk.

FIFTY-NINTH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, Wednesday, March 10, 1897.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House convened at 9 o'clock A. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

The Rev. J. S. McCallum; of the Christian Church, offered prayer.

The roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names.

The journal of the preceding day was read and approved.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS AND AUDITING.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Claims and Auditing, to whom was referred the bill of A. P. Tugwell, amounting to $3.75, for purchasing one dozen
cuspidors, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be allowed.

Respectfully submitted.
We concur in this report:

C. J. Moore, Chairman.
Geo. H. Baker.
S. D. Hicks.
Henry Carr.
Robt. Gerry.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the claim allowed.

Moved by Mr. Mitchell, to reconsider the vote whereby House bill No. 620 was lost.

The motion was carried.

Moved by Mr. Williams, to reconsider the vote whereby House bill No. 479 was passed.

The motion was lost.

Moved by Mr. Forbes, that House bill No. 526 be taken from the table.

The motion was carried.

Moved by Mr. Couch, to allow the bill clerk the same wages as committee clerks, the same to date from the time of his appointment.

The motion was carried.

Moved by Mr. Warner, to reconsider the vote whereby House bill No. 151 failed to pass.

The motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Likins, that House bill No. 381 be taken from the table.

The motion was carried.

Moved by Mr. Hagadorn, to take up House Memorial No. 14, and pass the same.

The motion was carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMORIALS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 26, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Memorials, to whom was referred House memorial No. 14, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.
We concur in this report:

George Windust, Chairman.
A. Mathiot.
C. J. Moore.
F. R. Baker.
Hans Hansen.
On motion of Mr. Hagadorn, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the memorial considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the memorial was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

Moved by Mr. McAtee, to reconsider the vote by which House bill No. 355 failed to pass.

The motion was carried.

Moved by Mr. Jory, to reconsider the vote whereby House bill No. 631 failed to pass.

The motion was carried.

Moved by Mr. Hicks, to take up House bill No. 175.

The motion was lost.

Moved by Mr. Nelson, that the rules be suspended, and that the House do refuse to take up Senate business.

The motion was lost.

SENATE BUSINESS.

Senate bill No. 220, by Senator Easterday: An act for the relief of the Union Savings Bank and Union Trust Co., a corporation, and making an appropriation therefor.

Referred to the sifting committee.

Senate bill No. 239, by Senator High: An act to amend section 2615 of volume 1 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington, relating to state board of health.

Referred to the sifting committee.
Senate bill No. 116, An act relating to deficiency judgments, was read the first time.

On motion of Mr. Wolf, the rules were suspended, and the bill placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 60, noes 6, absent or not voting 12.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Barlow, Bush A. S., Freeman, Guie, Hargrave, Jory, Kittinger, Mentzer, McAtee, Scott, Smith C., and Way—12.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Senate memorial No. 12, by Senator Keith, relating to forestry reserve, was read the first time; the rules were suspended, and the memorial placed on its final passage.

On vote, the memorial was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.

Noes: None.
Absent or not voting: None.

Senate bill No. 231, by the Committee on State Penal and Reformatory Institutions: An act to amend section 20 of an act entitled "An act to define, regulate and govern the state penitentiary, and declaring an emergency," approved March 9, 1891, being section 1160 of the first volume of the General Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington, as arranged an annotated by William Lair Hill.

Referred to the sifting committee.

House bills Nos. 58, 62, 218, 376, 423, 458, 511, 514, 523, 524, and 400 were reported back from the committee without recommendation.

House bill No. 601 was reported back from the committee with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Senate bills Nos. 224 and 149 were reported back from the committee without recommendation.

House bill No. 506 was reported back from the committee with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

House bills Nos. 616 and 618 were reported back from the committee without recommendation.

Senate bill No. 134, by Senator Easterday: An act in relation to proceedings in probate.

Referred to the sifting committee.

Senate bill No. 144, by Senator David Miller: An act providing for the employment of convicts confined in the state penitentiary.

Referred to the sifting committee.

Senate bill No. 114, by Senator Lesh, relating to exemptions of personal property, was read the first time.

On motion of Mr. Ross, the rules were suspended, and the bill placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 42, noes 25, absent or not voting 11.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Freeman, Gilkey, Hargrave, Kittenger, Levin, Rader, Richmond, Roberts, Smith C., Way, and Witt—11.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
Olympia, Wash., March 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has indefinitely postponed House bill No. 309, entitled "An act for the protection of persons storing grain," and the same is herewith returned.

The Senate has indefinitely postponed House bill No. 347, entitled "An act to prevent corrupt practices at elections," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
Olympia, Wash., March 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has indefinitely postponed House bill No. 165, entitled "An act to amend an act creating office of state grain inspector," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
Olympia, Wash., March 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has indefinitely postponed House bill No. 56, entitled "An act to regulate the time of electing road supervisors," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
Olympia, Wash., March 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has indefinitely postponed House bill No. 342, entitled "An act to provide for the regulating of flour mills," etc., and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
Olympia, Wash., March 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has indefinitely postponed House bill No. 222, entitled "An act to destroy the squirrel pest," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.
The president of the Senate has signed Senate bill No. 287, entitled "An act appropriating $10,000, or so much as may be needed, for the expenses of this session of the legislature," and the same is herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

Mr. Speaker:
The president of the Senate has appointed the following committee, Senators Cole, Wooding, Keith, Pusey, and T. J. Miller as a conference committee on Senate bill No. 106, to consider the differences of the two houses on the same.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

House bill No. 620 was taken up for consideration.

On motion the rules were suspended, and the bill returned to second reading.

Amendment by Mr. Mitchell: In section 1, strike out all of the section between the word "that," in line 3, and the word "building" in line 18, and insert "The capitol building commissioners are hereby directed to proceed with the construction of a state capitol."

The amendment was adopted.

In section 1, line 25, between the figures "500,000" and the word "provided" insert the words "which sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated from the state capitol building fund."

The amendment was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Mitchell, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 62, noes 8, absent or not voting 8.


There being no objection, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has adopted the report of the committee of conference on House bill No. 234, and the same is herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 15, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred House bill No. 127, entitled “An act to amend section 4 of chapter 156, Session Laws of 1895, approved March 21, 1895, relating to elections;” also House bill No. 363, entitled “An act to amend section 4 of chapter 156, Session Laws of 1895, approved March 21st, 1895, relating to elections,” have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed, and that the bill attached be substituted, and we further recommend that the substitute be printed and do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

B. F. DAY, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

PAUL LAND.

C. T. IRVIN.

JOHN FORBES.

I concur, so far as relates to House bill No. 127 and House bill No. 363.

ROBERT GERRY.

MINORITY REPORT.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 16, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred House bill No. 127, entitled “An act to amend section 4 of chapter 156, Session Laws of 1895, approved March 21, 1895, relating to elections,” have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the
same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass as amended.
Respectfully submitted.
G. N. Hodgdon.

House bill No. 526 was taken up for consideration.
Moved by Mr. Nelson that the bill be indefinitely postponed.
The motion was lost.
Amendments by Mr. Forbes: In line 10, strike out the word "after" and insert the word "before."
In line 14, strike out the word "after" and insert the word "before."
In line 15, strike out the word "under" and insert the word "after."
In line 18, strike out the words "designation of the office" and insert the name of the candidate.
In lines 19 and 20, strike out the words "the political parties and" and add the words "its candidates."
In line 21, strike out the words "the full length of" and insert the word "to."
In line 22, strike out the words "and of the nominees" in the margin; after "candidate" insert the name of the party.
The amendments were adopted.
Amendment by Mr. Geraghty: In line 6, strike out the word "full."
On vote, the amendment was lost: Ayes 28, noes 40, absent or not voting 10.
Amendment by Mr. Williams: In line 3; commencing with the word "every," strike out all words preceding the words "commissioners," in line 7.

Moved by Mr. Couch, to lay the amendment on the table.

The motion was lost.

On vote, the amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Forbes: Add after the word "placed," in line 14, "Provided further, That in case any party in a convention regularly called, shall accept the name and nominees of another organized party, and the chairman and secretary of said convention shall certify such action to the secretary of state, or the county auditor, as the case may be, then it shall not be lawful for said secretary of state, or county auditor, to place the name of such party or any portion thereof, on the official ballot."

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

On vote, the House concurred in Senate amendment to House bill No. 278.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Conference on House bill No. 234, respectfully request that the House recede from its action on the Senate amendment to section 16, and endorse the same. The Senate will recede from the other amendments.

Respectfully submitted.

L. J. McAtee.
F. I. Phelps.
J. C. Kincaid.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Senate bill No. 233, by Judiciary Committee, was taken up for consideration.

Amendment by Mr. Day: Strike out all that portion of the bill, beginning with line 38, to the bottom of page 2.

The amendment was lost.

On motion of Mr. Forbes, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, and the bill placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill failed to pass: Ayes 31, noes 45, absent or not voting 2.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Lindstrom and Mathiot—2.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 29, entitled "An act relating to the publication of notices of sale of property on execution or order of sale," and the same is herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

REPORT OF JOINT COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your committee on conference, from the Senate and the House, having under consideration Senate bill No. 263, relating to the public revenue, do submit the following report as our joint agreement:

First: The Senate shall concur in the House amendment to section 5 of the Senate bill, and in striking out section 42. The House shall recede from its amendment to the title of the bill; from its amendment to section 30; from its amendment to section 98. And it is further agreed, that section 119 should be amended, and for that purpose your committee would ask that they be made a committee of free conference in order to report section 119, as they believe it should be amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 119. That all costs, penalties and interest in excess of six per cent. per annum from the date of delinquency on all state, county, school district, road district and municipality taxes levied for the year 1895 and previous years, and which have not been sold at tax sales to parties other than the county or municipality for which the original tax was levied be and are hereby remitted, and the county treasurer of the respective counties in this state are authorized to receive and receipt for the net amount of such taxes as originally levied with six per cent. interest per annum from the date of delinquency: Provided, That in order to receive the benefit of the remission herein provided for, all such delinquent taxes shall be paid on or before the 30th day of November, 1897, with interest as aforesaid, and if not so paid, then all penalties, costs and interest now
charged against the same shall be and remain a charge against such delinquent property, and the said treasurers shall thereupon issue certificates of delinquency against any and all of said property, in the same manner and to the same effect, as provided for in this act in relation to certificates of delinquency, and the treasurer is hereby authorized to enter such remission upon his tax receipts, when issued, as discount.\(^3\)

E. W. TAYLOR,
W. H. PLUMMER,
C. W. DORR,
W. E. RUNNER,
J. W. RANGE,
On part of Senate.

E. W. WAY,
GEO. B. KITTINGER,
JOHN HARGRAVE,
W. L. FREEMAN,
CLEVELAND SMITH,
On part of House.

On motion, the report was adopted.

House bill No. 355 was taken up for consideration.

On motion, the bill was returned to second reading, under suspension of the rules.

Amendment by Mr. Ross: That the bill be amended by adopting the majority report of the committee.

The amendment was adopted.

On motion, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 47, noes 24, absent or not voting 7.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Hargrave, Irvin, Levin, Mathiot, Moore, Phelps, and Williams — 7.
There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.
Miss Jennie Sickles, of Thurston county, was sworn in by the speaker, as assistant engrossing clerk.
On motion, the House adjourned to 1:30 o'clock P. M., at 12 o'clock m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House convened at 1:30 o'clock P. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.
A quorum being present, the House resumed the consideration of Senate bill No. 162.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 3, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 162, entitled "An act to permit farmers, gardeners and manufacturers to dispose of the products of their labor," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.
Respectfully submitted. CLEVELAND SMITH, Chairman.
We concur in this report: GEO. WINDUST.
H. D. JORY.
C. T. IRVIN.
C. F. CLAPP.
JOHN FORBES.
F. I. PHELPS.
LEWIS LINDSTROM.

On motion of Mr. Kittinger, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, and the bill placed on its final passage.
On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.
Noes: None.
Absent or not voting: None.
There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 194, entitled "An act to amend an act relating to public lands."
Also, House bill No. 384, "An act providing for the reservation of part of public highways," etc., with amendments.
Also, Senate bill No. 174, "An act providing for the disorganization and liquidation of irrigation districts," etc.
And the same are herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FREE CONFERENCE.

OLYMPIA, WASH., March 10, 1897.

MR. PRESIDENT AND MR. SPEAKER:
We, your committee on free conference, to whom was submitted for consideration the disagreement of the Senate and House over Senate bill No. 263, and concerning section 119, beg leave to report the following as an amendment to said section 119:

"SEC. 119. That all costs, penalties and interest in excess of six per cent. per annum from the date of delinquency on all state, county, school district, road district and municipality taxes levied for the year 1895 and previous years, and which have not been sold at tax sales to parties other than the county or municipality for which the original tax was levied, be and are hereby remitted, and the county treasurers of the respective counties in this state are authorized to receive and receipt for the net amount of such taxes as originally levied, with six per cent. interest per annum from the date of delinquency: Provided, That in order to receive the benefit of the remission herein provided for, all such delinquent taxes shall be paid on or before the 30th day of November, 1897, with interest..."
as aforesaid, and if not so paid, then all the penalties, costs and interest now charged against the same shall be and remain a charge against such delinquent property, and the said treasurer shall thereupon issue certificates of delinquency against any and all of the said property in the same manner and to the same effect as provided for in this act in relation to certificates of delinquency, and the treasurer is hereby authorized to enter such remission upon his tax receipts when issued, as discount."

We, your committee, would further recommend that a new section be added, as follows:

"SEC. . . . All elections for the validation of any debt created by any city which has since become consolidated with any other city, shall be by ballot, and the vote shall be taken in the new consolidated city as the same is constituted at the time of such election."

We, your committee would further submit that the secretary be instructed to number the sections of the bill from 41 to the end of the bill, so that the same may be consecutive, and as thus amended, we recommend that the bill do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

E. W. Way,  
Geo. B. Kittinger,  
Cleveland Smith,  
W. L. Freeman,  
John Hargrave,  
On part of House.

E. W. Taylor,  
C. W. Dorr,  
J. W. Range,  
W. E. Runner,  
W. H. Plummer,  
On part of Senate.

Moved by Mr. Way, to adopt the report of the free conference committee on House bill No. 263.

The motion was carried, and the report adopted.

Moved by Mr. Barlow, to concur in Senate amendment to House bill No. 384.

The motion was carried.

House bill No. 151 was taken up for consideration.

On motion, the bill was returned to second reading.

Moved, to reconsider the vote on amendment relating to amount of loan, etc.

The motion was carried.

On vote, the amendment was lost.

On motion of Mr. Day, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.
On vote the bill was passed: Ayes 46, noes 18, absent or not voting 14.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Moved by Mr. Williams, to take up Senate bill No. 291.

The motion was carried.

Senate bill No. 291, by Senator Wilson, entitled “An act relating to the publication of notices of sale of property under execution or order of sale,” was read the first time.

On motion of Mr. Williams, the rules were suspended, and the bill placed on its final passage.

Moved by Mr. Witt, to return the bill to second reading.

The motion was carried.

Amendment by Mr. Witt: Strike out the word “attorney” and insert the word “sheriff.”

Amendment by Mr. Gerry: Strike out all after the word “county,” in line 3 of section 1, to and including the word “attorney,” in line 5, and insert after the word “sale,” in line 7, the words “such newspaper to be designated by the sheriff of the county in which the sale is to be had. The charge for such publication to not exceed seventy-five cents per square for the first insertion and thirty-seven and one-half cents per square for each additional insertion;” after the word “sale” add “shall take place.”

On motion, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, and the bill placed on its final passage.
On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 381 was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Fritz moved to make the bill a special order for Thursday morning, at 10 o’clock a.m.

The motion was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Warner, as pending, was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Bush: In section 21, line 20, strike out "¾" and insert "40 per cent."

The amendment was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Kittinger, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 55, noes 3, absent or not voting 20.


The emergency clause was passed: Ayes 55, noes 3, absent or not voting 20.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Moved by Mr. Warner, to reconsider the vote on House bill No. 381.

On vote, the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.
The House took up House bill No. 631, for consideration.

On motion, the bill was returned to second reading.

Amendment by Mr. Gilkey: In section 3, line 1, strike out the figures "1900" and insert the figures "1905."

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

On motion, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 53, noes 12, absent or not voting 13.

STATE OF WASHINGTON.

Koehler, Libby, Likins, Mentzer, Merrifield, Mitchell, Mohundro, Moore, McAtee, Nelson, Parker, Phelps, Pierson, Powell, Rader, Richmond, Roberts, Ross, Scott, Smith P. M., Stuhrman, Thacker, Williams, Winsor, Wilkeson, Windust, and Mr. Speaker—53.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RAILROAD CONFERENCE.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your committee on railroad conference, to whom was referred House bill No. 417, entitled "An act regulating common carriers, fixing maximum railroad freight rates in the State of Washington, prohibiting discrimination by railroad common carriers in the matter of such rates and of facilities for shipment, and providing for the due enforcement and observance of the rates so fixed, and of the regulations and prohibitions before referred to, and providing a method of determining the reasonableness of such rates and regulations, and making an appropriation therefor," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it concur in the Senate amendments.

Respectfully submitted. JOHN L. CANUTT.

MINORITY REPORT.

Mr. Speaker:

We, a minority of your committee on railroad conference, to whom was referred House bill No. 417, entitled "An act regulating common carriers, fixing maximum railroad freight rates in the State of Washington, prohibiting discrimination by railroad common carriers in the matter of such rates and of facilities for shipment, and providing for the due enforcement and observance of the rates so fixed, and of the regulations and prohibitions before referred to, and providing a method of determining the reasonableness of such rates and regulations, and making an appropriation therefor," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do not concur in the Senate amendments, and ask for the appointment of a free conference committee.

Respectfully submitted. GEORGE M. WITT, Chairman.

I concur in this report W. B. ROBERTS.
PROCEEDINGS OF THE RAILROAD CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Olympia, Wash., March 10, 1897.

The railroad conference committee of the Senate and House met in the committee rooms.

Present: Senators Deckebach (chairman), Crow, Dorr, and Runner; Representatives Canutt, Witt, F. R. Baker, Rader, and Roberts.

It was moved by Mr. Roberts that the committee recommend that the House refuse to concur in the Senate amendments to House bill No. 417, and ask for the appointment of a free conference committee.

Seconded by Mr. Runner.

It was then moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, as a substitute, that the committee recommend that the House concur in the Senate amendments.

Seconded by Mr. Canutt.

The vote on the substitute was then taken, and resulted as follows:

For the substitute: Deckebach, Dorr, Miller, Baker, and Canutt—5.

Against the substitute: Crow, Runner, Witt, Rader, and Roberts—5.

The vote being a tie, the motion was lost.

A vote was then taken on the motion of Mr. Roberts, which resulted as follows:

For the motion: Runner, Crow, Roberts, Rader, and Witt—5.

Against the motion: Deckebach, Dorr, Miller, Baker, and Canutt—5.

The vote being a tie, the motion was lost.

It was then moved by Mr. Rader that the vote by which Mr. Baker's substitute motion failed to carry be reconsidered.

Upon this the vote resulted as follows:


The motion was therefore carried by a vote of six to four.

A vote was then taken on Mr. Baker's original motion, that the House concur in the Senate amendments, which resulted as follows:

For concurrence: Deckebach, Dorr, Miller, Rader, Canutt, and Baker—6.


The motion to concur in the Senate amendments was therefore carried by a vote of six to four.

Majority and minority reports were directed to be made out in accordance with the proceedings, and the committee then adjourned.

Edward Johnson,
Secretary of Committee.

Moved by Mr. Witt, to substitute the minority report for the majority report.

Moved, as a substitute, that the free conference committee be limited to one amendment, relating to basis of the rate charged by
the Northern Pacific Railway Company on the second day of January, 1897.

The amendment was lost.

On vote, the minority report was adopted.

House bill No. 220 was called up and read the first time, the rules were suspended, the first reading considered the second, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 47, noes 14, absent or not voting 17.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Canutt, Caywood, Hargrave, Hicks, Hooper, Land, Marshall, Pierson, Rader, Scott, Smith P. M., Stafford, Williams, Way, Witt, Wolf, and Mr. Speaker — 17.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 19, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 325, entitled "An act relative to pension money," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

Solon T. Williams, Chairman.

J. H. Powell.
E. H. Guie.
H. D. Struve.
H. D. Smith.
A. D. Warner.
J. B. Johnston.
J. M. Geraghty.
W. L. Freeman.
On motion of Mr. Ross, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Senate bill No. 289, an act to amend section 1 of an act entitled "An act establishing a board of pardons, and defining their duties, and declaring an emergency," was read the second time.

On motion the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, and the bill placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.

Noes: None.
Absent or not voting: None.
The emergency clause passed; Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.
Noes: None.
Absent or not voting: None.
There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.
The speaker appointed, as free conference committee, on Senate bill No. 106, Messrs. Scott, Bush C. P., Gerry, Merrifield, and Baker F. R.
On motion of Mr. P. M. Smith, House bill No. 393 was taken up for consideration.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 171, entitled "An act relating to negotiable paper."
Also, Senate bill No. 268, entitled "An act to prevent the destruction, mutilation, or defacement of landmarks, monuments, and notices upon mining claims, and providing a penalty therefor."
Also, Senate bill No. 289, entitled "An act to amend section 1 of an act establishing a board of pardons and defining its duties, and declaring an emergency."
Also, House bill No. 68, entitled "An act to extend the right of eminent domain to mining, milling or reduction works companies, and declaring an emergency."
And the same are herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 25, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 393, entitled "An act to authorize cities and towns which have purchased or constructed water works, or gas or electric light works, to lease or sell the same, and to ratify and confirm leases or sales of the same heretofore made by such cities and towns," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it pass with the following amendment. Strike out section 3, and insert in lieu thereof the following: "After the passage of such resolution, and at any time before the next general election of officers of such city or town, it shall be lawful for the legislative authority of such city or town, by ordinance, to provide for the lease of such water works, or gas or electric light works, upon such terms and conditions as such ordinance may prescribe; and after the passage of such resolution, the legislative authority of such city or town may, by ordinance, submit to the qualified electors thereof at the general city election, the question whether such water works, or gas or electric light works, shall be sold or not; and if at such election a majority of said electors voting upon said question shall vote in the affirmative, it shall be lawful for such legislative authority to provide for the sale of, and to sell such water works, or gas or electric light works, upon such terms and conditions as such ordinance may prescribe."

Respectfully submitted.

J. P. DE MATTOS, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

J. G. FRITZ.
J. L. LIKINS.
C. F. CLAPP.
J. M. GERAGHTY.
THOS. WINSOR.
C. S. BARLOW.
E. W. WAY.
A. D. WARNER.
D. LEVIN.

Moved by Mr. Guie, that the bill be indefinitely postponed. The motion was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Gerry: Strike out the word "may" and insert the word "shall" in place.

On motion, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 54, noes 6, absent or not voting 18.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House concurrent resolution No. 23, relating to the procurement, by exchange, of copies of the Session Laws for the use of legislative committees, has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. L. E. RADER, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 278, entitled "An act subjecting the franchises to sale upon execution and upon order of sale under foreclosure of mortgage," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. L. E. RADER, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 384, entitled "An act providing for the reservation of a portion of the public highways for the accommodation of bicycles and foot passengers," has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. L. E. RADER, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.
Senate bill No. 194, entitled "An act amending an act relating to public lands, and declaring an emergency," was read first and second time.

On motion, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, and the bill placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 50, noes 5, absent or not voting 23.


On vote, the emergency clause was passed: Ayes 61, noes 8, absent or not voting 9.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker S. W., Gerry, Gilkey, Irvin, Koehler, Libby, Mathiot, Richmond, and Witt—9.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.
MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 273, entitled "An act making appropriations for sundry civil expenses of the state government for the fiscal term beginning April 1, 1897, and ending March 31, 1899," and the same is herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has refused to concur in the House amendments to Senate bill No. 290, entitled "An act relating to publication of notices of sale," etc., and the same is herewith returned.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

Moved by Mr. Hooper, that House bill No. 422 be taken up for consideration and that House bill No. 517 be substituted therefor. The House refused to recede from the House amendment to Senate bill No. 290, and asks for a committee on conference.

Moved by Mr. Kittinger, to concur in the Senate amendment to House bill No. 68.

The motion was carried.

Moved by Mr. Kittinger, to take up House bill No. 415 for consideration.

The motion was carried.

Moved by Mr. Phelps, to take up House bill No. 461 for consideration.

The motion was carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HARBORS AND WATERWAYS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 24, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Harbors and Waterways, to whom was referred House bill No. 517, entitled "An act regulating charges of telegraph companies, and providing penalties for its violation," have had the same under consideration, and report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

J. Z. NELSON, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

JOHN A. GILKEY.
J. G. FRITZ.
PAUL LAND.

On motion of Mr. Williams, the rules were suspended, the
second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

Moved by Mr. Williams, that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

The motion was lost.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 47, noes 21, absent or not voting 10.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CITIES OF FIRST CLASS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 24, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Cities of the First Class, to whom was referred House bill No. 415, entitled "An act to provide for the construction and renewal of public water mains and sewers, and appurtenances thereto, in incorporated cities and towns, and providing for the assessment and collection of the cost thereof upon property benefited thereby, and declaring an emergency," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it pass as amended: Before first "all," in first line, section 5, "improvements of the character authorized in this act shall not be instituted or ordered by the legislative body of any city or town except in accordance with the procedure required by the charter of said city governing the initiation or ordering of other forms of local improvements in such city or town.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

JAS. HUGH ROSS, Chairman.
J. M. GERAGHTY.
JOHN FORBES.
SOLON T. WILLIAMS.
On motion of Mr. Kittinger, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 51, noes 6, absent or not voting 21.


The emergency clause was passed: Ayes 51, noes 6, absent or not voting 21.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRINTING AND SUPPLIES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Olympia, Wash., March 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Printing and Supplies, to whom was referred Senate concurrent resolution No. 22, relating to printing and binding of House and Senate journals, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it pass amended as follows: In line four of the original resolution, after the word "bound," insert the words "within the month of July, 1897."

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

W. B. ROBERTS, Chairman.
F. I. PHELPS.
JAS. HUGH ROSS.
J. PARKER.
J. H. POWELL.

The report of the committee on conference on Senate bill No. 106 was read and approved.

The rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, and the bill placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER.
Olympia, Wash., March 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The president of the Senate has appointed the following Senators on free conference committee to consider differences of the two houses on House bill No. 417: Deckebach, Crow, Runner, Dorr and David Miller.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.
Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 76, entitled "An act to prescribe the mode of payment of obligations of debt."
Also, Senate bill No. 116: An act relating to deficiency judgments.
Also, House concurrent resolution No. 28: Providing for the exchange of Session Laws.
Also, Senate bill No. 141: An act relating to exemptions of personal property.
Also, House bill No. 278: An act subjecting franchises to sale on execution, etc.
Also, Senate memorial No. 12: To the president, and congress of the United States.
And the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 258, entitled "An act for the protection of sturgeon in the waters of this state, and the same is herewith transmitted.

Dudley Eshelman, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMPENSATION AND FEES OF STATE AND COUNTY OFFICERS.

Mr. Speaker:
We, your Committee on Compensation and Fees of State and County Officers, to whom was referred House bill No. 461, entitled "An act reducing salaries of county officers, and amending chapter 161 of the Session Laws of 1895, approved March 20, 1895," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.
Respectfully submitted.

C. A. Mentzer, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

Lewis Lindstrom.
S. W. Baker.
A. Mathiot.
Hans Hansen.
Phil. M. Smith.

Mr. F. R. Baker moved that the bill be laid on the table.
The motion was lost.
On motion of Mr. Ross, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.
Mr. Williams moved to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was passed to third reading.

The motion was carried.

Amendment by Mr. Mentzer: In section 16, line 4, add the words "county sheriff, thirteen hundred dollars."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendments by Mr. Hargrave: Substitute for section 19:
"County clerk, $800; county auditor, $800; county treasurer, $1,000; county sheriff, $800; county superintendent of schools, $600; county commissioners, $3 per day; county surveyor, $4 per day; county coroner, such fees as are allowed by law."

The amendments were adopted.

In section 17, line 6, strike out the word "eleven" and insert the word "ten."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendments by Mr. Rader: Make section 21 read, "county auditor, $1,000; county sheriff, $1,000; county clerk, $750; county treasurer, $1,000; county attorney, $600; county superintendent of schools, $600, and county commissioner $4 per day; county assessor, $4 per day; county surveyor, $4 per day; county coroner, such fees as are allowed by law."

The amendments were adopted.

In line 7, section 18, strike out the word "five" and insert the word "four."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Lindstrom: In line 6, section 9, make "county commissioner, $800 per annum."

The amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Freeman: In section 17, line 5, strike out the figures "$1,200" and insert the figures "$800."

The amendment was adopted.

In section 12, line 4, change the figures "$1,400" to the figures "$1,500."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Moore: In section 31, line 7, make county surveyor's salary "$3.50 per day."

The amendment was adopted.
Amendment by Mr. Gilkey: In section 15, reduce each officer's salary $50, except those paid by the day.

The amendment was adopted.

Moved by Mr. Johnston: To reconsider the vote on the amendment by Mr. Lindstrom.

The motion was carried.

On vote, the amendment was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Mentzer: Amend section 3, section 4, section 5, section 6, section 7, "county surveyors to have fees."

Amendment by Mr. Hooper: In section 12, line 4, strike out "fourteen" and "fifty" and insert "fifteen."

On motion of Mr. Williams, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 45, noes 19, absent or not voting 14.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The president of the Senate has appointed Senators Wilson, Crow and Taylor, as conference committee to consider difference between the two houses relative to Senate bill No. 290.

R. W. HAGOUD, Assistant Secretary.
The speaker announced that he had appointed as a committee on conference on House bill No. 290, Messrs. Couch, Guie and Gerry. Miss Etta Phipps was sworn in by the speaker, as assistant enrolling clerk.

Senate bill No. 51 was taken up, and read the second time.
Moved by Mr. Forbes, to take up House bill No. 474, for consideration.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Olympia, Wash., March 7, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Constitutional Revision, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 51, entitled "An act to provide for submitting an amendment to article 6 of the constitution of the State of Washington, embodying the right of woman suffrage," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

L. E. RADER, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

THOS. WINSOR.
A. W. STUHRMAN.
J. B. SMITH.
E. W. WAY.
J. C. CONINE.
HANS HANSEN.
J. O. EDWARDS.

We dissent, for the reason House bill No. 24, on the same subject, was introduced six days before this bill, and because the House bill was passed 21 days before this bill passed the Senate, and ordinary parliamentary courtesy would dictate action on that bill, by the Senate, first.

J. P. DE MATTOS.
J. M. GERAGHTY.

On motion of Mr. Rader, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 54, noes 15, absent or not voting 9.

P. M., Stuhrman, Thacker, Tobiassen, Wilkeson, Williams, Windust, Winsor, Witt, and Mr. Speaker—54.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRINTING AND SUPPLIES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Printing and Supplies, to whom was referred Senate concurrent resolution No. 21, relating to printing of copies of the session laws, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it pass, amended as follows: In line 15, after the word "Provided," insert the words "that the publication of said special laws shall be done within the month of July, 1897, and."

Respectfully submitted.

W. B. ROBERTS, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

F. I. PHELPS.

JAS. HUGH ROSS.

J. PARKER.

On motion, the report was adopted.

The rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 46, noes 17, absent or not voting 15.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Clapp, Freeman, Geraghty, Gerry,
Hansen, Hooper, Irvin, Libby, McAtee, Nelson, Parker, Rader, Richmond, Wilkeson, and Wolf — 15.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 6, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 474, entitled "An act to amend section 200, volume 1, Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, relating to index to be kept by county auditors," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives without recommendation.
Respectfully submitted.
We concur in this report:

Solon T. Williams, Chairman.
E. W. Way.
W. H. Thacker.
J. M. Geraghty.
H. D. Smith.
E. H. Guie.
W. B. Roberts.
L. E. Rader.
H. K. Struve.
J. H. Powell.
J. P. de Mattos.

On motion of Mr. Warner, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.
On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 40, noes 16, absent or not voting 22.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

The following resolution was introduced by Mr. Warner:

Resolved, That the governor be and is hereby requested to furnish the Senate, a co-ordinate branch of this government, with a list of his appointments for confirmation before the adjournment of this legislature, as contemplated and provided by the constitution of this state, and that a copy of this resolution be forthwith transmitted to the governor."

On motion, the resolution was laid on the table.
On motion the House adjourned to 7:30 o'clock p. m.

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EVENING SESSION.

The House convened at 7:30 o'clock p. m.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

A quorum being present, the special order, Senate bill No. 273, was deferred, and House bill No. 625 taken up, and read the second time.

On motion, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill failed to pass: Ayes 41, noes 12, absent or not voting 25.


REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS AND AUDITING.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 4, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Claims and Auditing, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 250, entitled "An act for the relief of George W. Babcock," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

C. J. MOORE, Chairman.

C. S. BARLOW.

JOHN FORBES.

PHIL. M. SMITH.

HENRY CARR.

On motion of Mr. Mathiot, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill failed to pass: Ayes 38, noes 17, absent or not voting 23.


REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 381, entitled "An act providing for the government of cities of the third class, declaring an emergency, and repealing all acts and parts of acts in conflict with the provisions of this act," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted. MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.
MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 274, entitled "An act defining the duties of physicians."
Also, Senate bill No. 208, an act relating to the taxes and funds of cities having less than 20,000 population.
Also, Senate bill No. 210, an act requiring street cars to be provided with aprons.
Also, Senate bill No. 204, an act granting to judgment debtors the right to possession, etc.
And the same are herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The president of the Senate has signed Senate bill No. 162, entitled "An act to permit farmers, gardeners and manufacturers to dispose of the products of their labor," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 260, entitled "An act providing for the service of summons and complaint upon corporations," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 68, entitled "An act to extend the right of eminent domain to mining, milling or reduction-works companies," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.
Respectfully submitted. A. T. TOBIASSEN, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House, the speaker signed the above.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 151, entitled "An act providing for the organization and regulation of banks, and prescribing penalty for violation of this act," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.
Respectfully submitted. A. T. TOBIASSEN, Acting Chairman.
MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed Senate bill No. 289, entitled "An act establishing a board of pardons."
Also, Senate bill No. 220, an act for the relief of the Union Savings Bank.
And the same are herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has indefinitely postponed House bill No. 255, known as the dispensary bill, and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has refused to concur in House amendment to Senate concurrent resolution No. 21, and respectfully asks the House to recede, and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 221, entitled "An act to divide the State of Washington into two districts for the purpose of regulating the fishing industry," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed House bill No. 113, entitled "An act providing for the dissolution of municipal corporations of the third and fourth class," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 152, entitled "An act to regulate sanitary construction, drainage and plumbing."
Also, Senate bill No. 281, An act relating to service of process by sheriffs, etc.
And the same are herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.
STATE OF WASHINGTON.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed Senate bill No. 51, entitled "An act relating to woman suffrage," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed House bill No. 68, entitled "An act to extend the right of eminent domain to mining companies," etc., and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

Senate bill No. 273 was read, and the following amendments offered:
In line 9, strike out the figures "3,000" and insert the figures "2,400."
Offered, as a substitute amendment, by Mr. F. R. Baker, as follows: Strike out all of line 9.
On vote, the substitute was lost.
Moved, as an amendment, to make the sum "2,000."
On vote, the amendment was adopted.
Amendment to strike out all of line 10.
On vote, the amendment was adopted.
In line 11, strike out the figures "1,500" and insert the figures "1,000."
On vote, the amendment was adopted.
In lines 15 and 16, strike out all of said lines.
The amendment was lost.
Strike out lines 16½ and 16¾.
Substitute by Mr. Warner: To put items in lines 16½ and 16 under separate headings.
The substitute amendment was adopted.
In line 24, strike out the figures "900" and insert the figures "820."
The amendment was adopted.
In line 25, strike out the figures "900" and insert the figures "820."
Amendment by Mr. Warner: To strike out line 25.
The amendment was adopted.
Moved, to strike out line 26½.
The amendment was adopted.
Moved, to strike out line 27.
The amendment was adopted.
Moved, to strike out line 28.
The amendment was adopted.
In line 29, strike out the figures "1,500" and insert "1,000."
The amendment was adopted.
In line 30, strike out the figures "500" and insert "400."
The amendment was adopted.
In line 31, after the word "Laws," insert the words "to be done by D. E. Baily."
The amendment was adopted.
Strike out all of line 32.
In lines 33 and 34, cut down to "$100" each.
The amendment was adopted.
Strike out all of line 36.
The amendment was adopted.
Strike out all of line 42.
The amendment was lost.
In line 41, strike out the figures "1,000," and insert "820."
The amendment was lost.
Strike out all of line 52.
The amendment was lost.
In line 56, strike out the figures "1,800," and insert the figures "1,500," and amend to read "1,200."
The amendment was lost.
On vote, the amendment was carried.
In line 57, strike out the figures "1,200," and insert the figures "500."
The amendment was adopted.
Strike out all of line 64.
The amendment was adopted.
In line 66, strike out the figures "1,000," and insert the figures "500."
The amendment was adopted.
In line 77, strike out the figures "7,000, and insert the figures "5,000."
The amendment was adopted.
Strike out all of line 78½.
The amendment was adopted.
Strike out all of line 83½.
The amendment was adopted.
In line 85, strike out the figures "900," and insert the figures "820."
The amendment was lost.
Strike out all of line 86½.
The amendment was adopted.
In line 92, strike out the figures "1,500," and insert the figures "1,000."
The amendment was adopted.
In line 90, strike out the figures "1,000," and insert the figures "500."
The amendment was adopted.
In line 88, strike out the figures "7,500," and insert the figures "5,000."
The amendment was adopted.
In line 96, strike out the figures "5,000," and insert the figures "3,000."
The amendment was adopted.
Strike out all of line 98.
The amendment was adopted.
In line 106, strike out the figures "750," and insert "1,200."
The amendment was lost.
In line 105, strike out the figures "2,000," and insert the figures "1,500."
In line 107, strike out the figures "2,000," and insert the figures "1,000."
In line 107, after the word "commissioners," insert the words "and deputies."
Strike out all of line 108½.
In line after 108½, "for establishing fish hatcheries on the Chehalis river, or a tributary thereof, $5,000 to be paid out of the fish hatchery fund."
The amendment was lost.
Strike out all of line 111½.
The amendment was lost.
In line 111½, strike out the figures "1,600," and insert the figures "800."
The amendment was adopted.
In line 111, strike out the figures "1,500," and insert the figures "1,000."
The amendment was adopted.
In line 112½, strike out the figures "2,000," and insert the figures "1,000."
The amendment was lost.
Strike out all of line 112½.
The amendment was lost.
In line 116½, strike out the words "coal mine examiners, 400."
The amendment was adopted.
In line 119, strike out the figures "150,000," and insert the figures "140,000."
The amendment was adopted.
In line 120, strike out the figures "2,500," and insert the figures "1,250."
The amendment was adopted.
In line 121, strike out the figures "600," and insert the figures "300."
The amendment was adopted.
In line 122, strike out the figures "1,000," and insert the figures "500."
The amendment was adopted.
In line 128, strike out the figures "100,000," and insert the figures "90,000."
The amendment was adopted.
Strike out all of line 132.
The amendment was adopted.
In line 133, strike out the figures "1,000," and insert the figures "500."
The amendment was adopted.
In line 134, strike out the figures "4,000," and insert the figures "2,500."
The amendment was adopted.
Strike out all of line 134½.
The amendment was adopted.
Strike out all of line 138.
The amendment was lost.
Strike out all of line 139.
The amendment was lost.
In line 140, strike out the figures "3,000" and insert the figures "2,000."
The amendment was lost.
In line 143, strike out the figures "122,660" and insert the figures "110,000."
The amendment was adopted.
In line 144, strike out the figures "15,000" and insert the figures "10,000."
The amendment was adopted.
In line 147, strike out the figures "58,600" and insert the figures "50,000."
The amendment was adopted.
Strike out all of line 147½.
The amendment was adopted.
Strike out all of line 153.
The amendment was adopted.
In line 152, strike out the figures "2,000" and insert the figures "1,000."
The amendment was adopted.
In line 156, strike out the figures "28,000" and insert the figures "23,000."
Amended, to make reduction read "25,000."
The substitute amendment failed to carry, and on vote, the amendment was adopted.
In line 156, strike out all that portion relating to "gymnasium."
The amendment was lost.
In line 158, strike out the figures "28,000" and insert the figures "23,000."
The amendment was adopted.
Strike out all of line 159.
The amendment was lost.
In line 162, strike out the figures "20,000" and insert the figures "10,000."
The amendment was lost.
In line 162, strike out the figures "20,000" and insert the figures "10,000."
The amendment was adopted.
In line 164, strike out the figures "100,000" and insert the figures "60,000."
The amendment was adopted.
Substitute amendment, by Mr. Williams: In line 164, strike out the figures "100,000" and insert the figures "90,000."
The substitute amendment was lost.
On vote, the amendment by the committee was adopted.
Strike out all of line 165.
The amendment was adopted.
In line 164, amend to make "$30,000 as and for maintenance, and $30,000 as and for salaries."
The amendment was lost.
In line 170, strike out the figures "28,000" and insert the figures "15,000."
Amendment by Mr. Williams: Strike out all of line 170.
The amendment was lost.
On vote, the amendment by the committee was lost.
Moved by Mr. Marshall, to reconsider the vote on line 128.
The motion was lost.
Strike out all of line 170½.
The amendment was adopted.
Strike out all of line 170½.
The amendment was adopted.
Strike out all of line 171½.
The amendment was adopted.
Strike out all of line 171½.
The amendment was adopted.
Strike out all of line 176½.
The amendment was lost.
In line 179, strike out the figures "7,000" and insert the figures "3,000."
The amendment was adopted.
In line 181, strike out the figures "3,600" and insert the figures "3,000."
The amendment was lost.
Strike out all of line 182.
The amendment was adopted.
Strike out all of line 184½.
The amendment was lost.
Strike out all of line 187.
The amendment was lost.
In the line relating to military fund, strike out the figures "12,000" and insert the figures "6,000."
The amendment was adopted.
In the line relating to Washington state fair, strike out all of the line.
Mr. Struve moved a reconsideration of the vote relating to the committee's report on the agricultural college.

Moved by Mr. F. R. Baker, to lay the motion on the table.

On vote, the motion to reconsider was carried.

On vote, the motion to make the sum $15,000 was adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Canutt: After line 112, page 4, add the following: "From the state library fund the sum of thirteen hundred and twenty dollars ($1,320), which the state librarian shall expend in the purchase of forty-four sets (220 volumes) of Session Laws, published by the Tribune Printing Company; said books to be bound in full law-sheep; he shall mark the same 'State Property,' and distribute one set to each superior court or department thereof in the state, and one set to the state university, agricultural college and each of the three normal school libraries, for the use of said institutions and the general public."

The motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Witt, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, and the bill placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 59, noes 6, absent or not voting 13.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Moved by Mr. Roberts, that the House refuse to recede from amendments to House memorial No. 21.
The speaker announced that in open session he had signed Senate bills Nos. 289 and 220.

On vote, the House adjourned at 11:45 o’clock P. M., until 9 A. M. to-morrow.

CHAS. E. CLINE, Speaker.

S. P. CARUSI, Chief Clerk.

SIXTIETH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Washington, Thursday, March 11, 1897.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House convened at 9 o’clock A. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Rev. A. J. Sawin.

The roll was called; all members being present and answering to their names.

The journal of the preceding day was read and approved.

The following resolution was presented by Mr. Merrifield, and adopted:

Resolved, That C. H. Guiberson, the day watchman of the House, is hereby authorized and employed to clean the House, nail up the windows, pack and return to the several state offices all books and papers, waste baskets and spittoons, belonging to the same, secure all desk keys and turn the same over to the proper custodian; said work to be done after adjournment, and paid for by the state auditor from funds set apart for legislative purposes, the chief clerk drawing a voucher for $20 in payment of the same.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 118, entitled "An act providing for the dissolution of municipal corporations of the third and fourth classes, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.
Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 234, entitled "An act for the protection of game animals and birds, and song birds, and to define and punish as misdemeanors all violations thereof, vesting the county commissioners with authority to appoint game wardens, defining their duties, fixing their compensation, and defining the duties of certain county, precinct and municipal peace officers; and repealing sections 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 271, and 272 of the Penal Code of the State of Washington," has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted.

H. D. Jory, Chairman.
L. E. Rader.
D. R. Lusher.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

REPORT OF FREE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

Mr. President and Mr. Speaker:

We, your committee on free conference, to consider Senate bill No. 106, would respectfully report that the title be amended to read, "and constitutional state officers," at the end of title, and in section 1, line 3, of engrossed bill, insert after the word "legislature," the words, "and constitutional state officers."

J. A. Cole,
J. W. Range,
V. A. Pusey,
John Wooding,
Thos. J. Miller,
On part of Senate.
J. C. Merrifield,
B. S. Scott,
Robt. Gerry,
C. P. Bush,
F. R. Baker,
On part of House.

On motion, the report was adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,
Olympia, Wash., March 11, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 259, entitled "An act prohibiting the maintenance, construction and use of fixed appliances and seines for the catching of salmon in certain waters and in parts of certain waters in the State of Washington, and regulating the licensing and use of the same in certain other of the waters of said state, including the Columbia river, and for the licensing of gill nets and drift nets, and providing for
the disposition of the funds arising therefrom, and repealing an act of the legislature of the State of Washington approved March 10, 1898, entitled "An act regulating fish traps, pound nets, weirs, set nets, fish wheels or other fixed appliances for catching salmon on the waters of the Columbia river and its tributaries and Puget Sound; for providing for the licensing thereof, and the disposition of the funds arising therefrom, and declaring an emergency," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO PROCURE QUARTERS FOR STATE OFFICERS AND LIBRARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your committee on state offices, to whom was referred governor's message, regarding suitable rooms for state officers and library, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the two bids which are practicable to be those of L. Bettman and T. I. McKenny. There were other bids which we think are not suitable for state offices, which we report without recommendation which are those of Patrick Dolan, T. M. Reed and A. L. Campbell.

Respectfully submitted.

W. L. FREEMAN, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

J. H. MARSHALL.

DAVID MITCHELL.

THOS. J. MILLER.

On motion, the report was accepted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS AND AUDITING.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Claims and Auditing, to whom was referred sundry accounts, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that the following be allowed: To Charles Arnold, for wood, $7.50; H. F. Docherty, for hauling, $12.50; Central News Company, for stationery, etc., $56.90.

Respectfully submitted.

C. J. MOORE, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

ROBT. GERRY.

JOHN FORBES.

C. S. BARLOW.

JOHN L. CANUTT.

On motion, the report was adopted.

House concurrent resolution No. 29, relating to rent of state office building, was read, the rules were suspended, the second read-
ing considered the third, the resolution considered engrossed and placed on its final passage.

On motion, the clerk was instructed to engross the vote of the House for the same.

On vote, the resolution was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RAILROADS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 1, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred House bill No. 527, entitled "An act requiring railroad companies to furnish sufficient cars for the transportation of freight," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, without recommendation.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

J. C. KINCAID.
C. E. MOHUNDRIO.
A. T. TOBIASSEN.
J. P. DE MATTOS.
Miles T. Hooper.
W. B. ROBERTS.
J. B. Smith.
Theron Stafford.

House bill No. 527 was read the second time.

The rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.
On motion, the clerk was instructed to engross the vote of the House for the bill.

On vote the bill was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 305 was read the second time.

Amendment by Mr. Conine: "Provided, That all of the counties east of the mountains be excluded, except Stevens."

The amendment was adopted.

On motion, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On motion, the clerk was instructed to cast the vote of the House for the bill.

The bill was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.

Struve, Thacker, Tobiassen, Warner, Williams, Winsor, Wilkeson, Way, Witt, Wolf, Windust, and Mr. Speaker—78.

Nees: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RAILROADS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 25, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, a majority of your Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred House bill No. 54, entitled "An act to compel railroads to construct crossings over their tracks where private land adjoins the right-of-way, and providing a penalty for neglect or refusal to construct such crossings," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

J. L. Canutt, Chairman.
Miles T. Hooper.
Charles H. Wolf.
W. B. Roberts.
J. B. Smith.
J. G. Fritz.
A. T. Tobiassen.
C. E. Mohundro.
J. P. de Mattos.

MINORITY REPORT.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 25, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, a minority of your Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred House bill No. 54, entitled "An act to compel railroads to construct crossings over their tracks where private land adjoins the right-of-way, and providing a penalty for neglect or refusal to construct such crossings," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed; that it will work a great and unnecessary expense to the railroad companies; that where the railroad passes through small tracts of land, the owner or owners can compel the railroad company to put in crossings whenever or wherever they may direct.

Respectfully submitted.

J. C. Merrifield.
J. C. Kincaid.
Theron Stafford.
House bill No. 54 was read.
Moved by Mr. Hagadorn, that the bill be indefinitely postponed.
The motion was lost.
On motion of Mr. Couch, the rules were suspended, the second
reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed and
placed on its final passage.
On vote, the bill failed to pass: Ayes 33, noes 22, absent or not
voting 23.
Ayes: Messrs. Baker S. W., Bush C. P., Canutt, Carr, Conine,
Couch, Day, de Mattos, Edwards J. O., Freeman, Gerry, Gilkey,
Hansen, Hooper, Irvin, Likins, Lindstrom, Lusher, Mohundro, Moore,
McAtee, Parker, Phelps, Rader, Smith C., Smith H. D., Smith J. B., Stuhrman, Winsor, Witt, Windust,
and Mr. Speaker—33.
Noes: Messrs. Ames, Baker G. H., Clapp, Edwards J. M.,
Forbes, Guie, Hagadorn, Hicks, Johnston, Kittinger, Land, Marshall,
Mathiot, Merrifield, Pierson, Richmond, Scott, Stafford,
Struve, Warner, Williams, and Way—22.
Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker F. R., Barlow, Bush A. S.,
Caywood, Fritz, Geraghty, Hargrave, Jory, Kincaid, Koehler,
Levin, Libby, Mentzer, Mitchell, Nelson, Powell, Roberts, Ross,
Smith P. M., Thacker, Tobiassen, Wilkeson, and Wolf—23.
The speaker appointed as a conference committee on Senate res-
olution No. 21, Messrs. Roberts, F. R. Baker and Williams.
Moved by Mr. Warner, to reconsider the vote on House bill No.
527.
On vote, the motion carried.
On vote, the reconsideration of House bill No. 527 was lost:
Ayes 31, noes 36, absent or not voting 11.
Ayes: Messrs. Baker S. W., Canutt, Carr, Caywood, Couch, Day,
Freeman, Geraghty, Gerry, Gilkey, Hansen, Hargrave, Hodgdon,
Hooper, Irvin, Lindstrom, Lusher, Mohundro, Moore, Parker,
Phelps, Rader, Smith C., Smith H. D., Smith J. B., Stafford, Stuhr-
man, Tobiassen, Winsor, Witt, and Mr. Speaker—31.
Noes: Messrs. Ames, Baker G. H., Barlow, Bush A. S., Clapp,
Conine, Edwards J. M., Edwards J. O., Fritz, Forbes, Guie, Hag-
adorn, Hicks, Johnston, Kincaid, Kittinger, Land, Levin, Likins,
Marshall, Mathiot, Merrifield, Mitchell, McAtee, Pierson, Powell,
Richmond, Roberts, Scott, Struve, Thacker, Warner, Williams,
Wilkeson, Wolf, and Windust—36.
Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker F. R., Bush C. P., de Mat­
tos, Jory, Koehler, Libby, Mentzer, Nelson, Ross, Smith P. M.,
and Way — 11.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED
BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports
that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 305, entitled "An act to prohibit
bulls running at large," has been carefully compared with the original
copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.
Respectfully submitted. L. E. RADER, Acting Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASH., March 3, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom was referred
House bill No. 611, entitled "An act relating to justices of the peace and
constables in incorporated cities of the third class having more than five
thousand inhabitants, and fixing their number and salaries," have had
the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back
to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do
pass.
Respectfully submitted. J. P. DE MATTOS, Chairman.
We concur in this report: C. F. CLAPP.
J. L. LIKINS.
J. G. FRITZ.
C. A. MENTZER.
C. S. BARLOW.
D. LEVIN.
THOS. WINSOR.
G. B. RICHMOND.

The rules were suspended, the second reading considered the
third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 55, noes 6, absent or not
voting 17.

Ayes: Messrs. Ames, Baker G. H., Baker S. W., Barlow, Bush
A. S., Bush C. P., Carr, Caywood, Clapp, Conine, Day, de Mat­
tos, Edwards J. O., Freeman, Fritz, Forbes, Guie, Geraghty,
Gilkey, Hagadorn, Hansen, Hargrave, Hicks, Hodgdon, Hooper,
Johnston, Kincaid, Kittinger, Koehler, Land, Levin, Likins,
Lusher, Mathiot, Mentzer, Merrifield, Mitchell, Moore, McAtee,
Parker, Rader, Richmond, Ross, Smith C., Smith J. B., Stuhrman,
Thacker, Tobiassen, Warner, Williams, Wilkeson, Witt, Wolf, Windust, and Mr. Speaker—55.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has received the report of the free conference committee on Senate bill No. 106, and has referred the report back to the committee, with the request that the committee sit again, and the same is herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 15, entitled "An act to repeal an act entitled 'An act creating and establishing municipal courts in cities of the State of Washington having more than 20,000 inhabitants, etc.,'" and the same is herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE AND CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 10, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Mileage and Contingent Expenses, to whom was referred sundry accounts, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representa tives, with the recommendation that the following be allowed: To Geo. Foskes, witness fees, investigating committee, $4; to C. B. Nash, witness fees, investigating committee, $6; to J. A. Bunce, witness fees and mileage, investigating committee, $9.25; to W. E. Brown, witness fees and mileage, investigating committee, $14.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

On motion, the report was adopted.

J. G. FRITZ, Chairman.

LEWIS LINDSTROM.

J. PARKER.

R. W. CAYWOOD.
STATE OF WASHINGTON.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIDE LANDS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 26, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Tide Lands, to whom was referred House bill No. 518, entitled "An act for the relief of the Olympia Door and Lumber Co., John D. Miller, J. C. Horr, Westside Mill Co., P. J. and J. H. O'Brien, B. F. Littlejohn, L. A. Kilton, George D. Forbes and John Hajar," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

GEO. B. KITTINGER, Chairman.
J. B. JOHNSTON.
A. S. BUSH.
JOHN FORBES.
E. L. KOEHLER.

On motion, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill failed to pass: Ayes 36, noes 12, absent or not voting 30.


REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINES AND MINING.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 25, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Mines and Mining, to whom was referred House bill No. 401, entitled "An act to prevent the confiscation, by means of fines and otherwise, of the wages of miners employed by firms and cor-
porations," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

HENRY CARR, Chairman.
J. O. EDWARDS.
F. I. PHELPS.
L. J. MCAFEE.
C. J. MOORE.
CHARLES H. WOLF.
J. C. KINCAID.
FRANK WILKESON.

On motion, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 43, noes 5, absent or not voting 30.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 243, entitled "An act relating to justices of the peace and constables in cities having more than 5,000 inhabitants and fixing their number and salaries."

Also, Senate bill No. 202, entitled "An act to amend section 1336, volume 2, of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, in relation to application for new trial and causes for which it may be granted in criminal cases."
Also, Senate bill No. 157, entitled "An act for the relief of W. E. Boone."

And the same are herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

STATE OF WASHINGTON, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

OLYMPIA, March 11, 1897.

To the Honorable Speaker of the House of Representatives, State of Washington:

Sir—Governor Rogers has approved House bill No. 67, "An act to amend section 4 and 5 of an act entitled 'An act to regulate the mode of proceedings to appropriate lands, real estate, or other property by corporations for corporate purposes and for ascertaining and securing compensation therefor, and repealing laws in conflict with this act, and declaring an emergency,' approved March 21, 1890."

Also, House concurrent resolution No. 27, Relating to the introduction of a bill asking for an appropriation of ten thousand dollars for the payment of expenses of this session of the Legislature.

Also, House memorial No. 8, Relative to building a light house and harbor at the mouth of the Quillayute river.

Also, House memorial No. 17, Relating to forest reserve proclamation of February 22, 1897.

Also, House bill No. 260, An act making an appropriation for the relief of T. M. Alvord, on account of failure in the title to university lands.

Also, House bill No. 281, An act amending an act entitled "An act exempting the proceeds of life insurance from liability for debt, and declaring an emergency," approved March 20, 1895.

Very respectfully,

J. E. BALLAINE, Private Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE BUILDINGS, PUBLIC GROUNDS AND LIBRARIES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, Wash., February 26, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on State Buildings, Public Grounds and Libraries, to whom was referred House bill No. 476, entitled "An act to aid the Washington state historical society," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

DAVID MITCHELL, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

A. W. STUHRMAN.

V. R. PIERSH.

D. R. LUSHER.

J. H. MARSHALL.

J. O. EDWARDS.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the rules were suspended, the
second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote the bill was passed: Ayes 51, noes 4, absent or not voting 23.


The emergency clause failed to pass: Ayes 51, noes 4, absent or not voting 23.


The title of the bill was amended by striking out the emergency clause.

Senate bill No. 15 was read first and second times.

Amendment by Mr. Williams: Change the figures "1898" to the figures "1900."

The amendment was lost.

Moved by Mr. Forbes, that the rules be suspended, the second
reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

The motion was lost, and the bill referred to the sifting committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON Appropriations.

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Wash., February 25, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House bill No. 409, entitled "An act making appropriations for certain deficiencies of the previous fiscal term, and for other purposes," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows, and as so amended do pass: In section 1, line 9, strike out the figures "$400," and insert instead the figures "$200;" same section, strike out line 13; same section, strike out line 14; same section, strike out line 16; same section, strike out line 18.

Respectfully submitted.

GEO. M. WITT, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

THERON STAFFORD.
C. S. BARLOW.
C. J. MOORE.
A. T. TOBIASSEN.
F. I. PHELPS.
H. D. SMITH.

Amendments by Mr. Williams: In section 1, line 19, add "supreme court reporter, $2,400."

Sec. 2 to read: "That the money heretofore paid into, and hereafter to be paid into, the general fund of the state treasury from the deposit of the Washington World's Fair Commission in the defunct Merchant's National Bank of Tacoma, Washington, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of, proportionally, checks aggregating $1,417.67, drawn against said deposit, and the state auditor is hereby directed to draw his warrant on the general fund of the state treasurer for the several amounts found to be due, on presentation to him of properly certified vouchers."

The amendments were adopted.

Amendment by Mr. Baker: Strike out line 12.

The amendment was adopted.

On motion, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.
On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 48, noes 5, absent or not voting 25.


Noes: Messrs. Freeman, Gerry, Nelson, Scott, and Stafford—5.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 27, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 177, entitled "An act to supply the code to justices of the peace, and making an appropriation therefor," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, without recommendation.

Respectfully submitted.

S. T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

L. E. RADER.
E. H. GUIE.
J. B. JOHNSTON.
W. H. THACKER.
W. B. ROBERTS.
H. D. SMITH.
J. H. POWELL.
H. K. STRUVE.

We recommend that the bill be indefinitely postponed:

J. M. GERAGHTY.
J. P. DE MATTOS.

Amendment: In section 2, strike out the figure "$5" and insert the figure "$4."
In section 3, strike out the figures "3,000" and insert the figures "2,500."

In section 1, strike out the name "Huntley" and insert the name "McLaughlin."

On motion of Mr. Winsor, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 46, noes 5, absent or not voting 27.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Moved by Mr. A. S. Bush, to reconsider the vote whereby House bill No. 625 failed to pass.

The motion was carried.

On vote, the bill failed to pass: Ayes 41, noes 21, absent or not voting 16.


MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The president of the Senate has signed House bill No. 234, entitled “An act for the protection of game animals, birds,” etc.; also, Senate bill No. 194, entitled “An act to amend an act relating to public lands, and declaring an emergency,” and the same are herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 209, entitled “An act to amend an act entitled ‘An act accepting the terms of the act of congress approved August 18, 1894, providing for the reclamation, settlement and disposition of the one million acres of arid land,’” etc.; also, House bill No. 126, entitled “An act for the relief of the Ilwaco Railway and Navigation Company,” etc.; also, House concurrent resolution No. 29, as amended; and the same are herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RAILROAD FREE CONFERENCE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 12, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your committee on railroad free conference, to whom was referred House bill No. 417, as amended by the Senate, entitled “An act regulating common carriers, fixing maximum railroad freight rates in the State of Washington, prohibiting discrimination by the railroad common carriers in the matter of such rates and of facilities for shipment, and providing for the due enforcement and observance of the rates so fixed, and of the regulations and prohibitions before referred to, and providing a method of determining the reasonableness of such rates and regulations, and making appropriation therefor,” have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass with the following amendments:

In section 1 of the engrossed bill, after the word “effect,” insert the words “on the Northern Pacific railway between the same points in the State of Washington.”

In section 10 of engrossed bill, strike out all that portion of the section commencing with the word “Provided,” and insert in lieu thereof the
following: "Provided, That nothing herein contained shall prevent the classification of freights as to kind, value and quantity, and the basing of rates thereon."

Respectfully submitted.

We dissent from that portion of this report fixing the maximum freight rate per ton at $4.25, and recommend that it be made $4.00. We concur in the balance of the report.

Respectfully submitted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the engrossed copy of House bill No. 409, entitled "An act making an appropriation for certain deficiencies of the previous fiscal term and for other purposes," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly engrossed.

Respectfully submitted.

Moved by Mr. Nelson, to substitute the minority report for the majority report.

In open session of the House the speaker signed Senate bill No. 194.

The House adjourned at 12:05 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House convened at 1:30 o'clock P. M.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

A quorum being present the House considered further report of free conference committee on House bill No. 417.

On vote, the motion to substitute the minority report for the majority report was lost: Ayes 34, noes 40, absent or not voting 4.


MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER.

OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate (substitute) bill No. 62, entitled "An act relating to county boundaries."

Also, House bill No. 411, entitled "An act authorizing cities and towns to construct, condemn and purchase, acquire, add to, maintain, conduct and operate water works," etc.

And the same are herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS AND AUDITING.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Claims and Auditing, to whom was referred the account of the Olympia Light and Power Company, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be allowed in the sum of $36.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

C. J. MOORE, Chairman.

C. S. BARLOW.

JOHN FORBES.

JOHN L. CANUTT.

PHIL. M. SMITH.

On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

We, your committee on conference on Senate bill No. 290, relating to publication of notices of sheriffs' sales, have been unable to agree, Senators Crow, Taylor and Wilson and Representative Guie favoring the designation of the newspaper by the party paying for the advertising, and Representatives Gerry and Couch favoring the designation of the newspaper by the sheriff.
We recommend that a committee of free conference be appointed. Respectfully submitted.

L. C. CROW,
E. W. TAYLOR,
R. C. WILSON,
On part of the Senate.
J. O. COUCH,
ROBERT GERRY,
E. H. GULIE,
On part of the House.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Moved by Mr. Williams, to concur in the Senate amendment to House bill No. 411.

The motion was carried.

On vote, the majority report on House bill No. 417 was adopted.

Senate bill No. 49 was read the second time.

On motion of Mr. Geraghty, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 57, noes 4, absent or not voting 17.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Moved by Mr. Mitchell, to reconsider the vote whereby House bill No. 518 failed to pass.

On vote, the motion carried.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 50, noes 6, absent or not voting 22.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

On vote, the emergency clause to House bill No. 126, as amended in the Senate, failed to pass: Ayes 51, noes 12, absent or not voting 15.


MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has refused to concur in House amendments to Senate bill No. 273, and respectfully asks the House to recede from its amendments.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.
MR. SPEAKER:

The president of the Senate has signed House bill No. 113, entitled "An act providing for the dissolution of municipal corporations of the third and fourth classes, and declaring an emergency;" also, House bill No. 384, entitled "An act providing for the reservation of a portion of the public highways for the accommodation of bicycles and foot passengers;" also, Senate bill No. 51, entitled "An act providing for the constitutional amendment conferring the elective franchise on women;" and the same are herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

Senate bill No. 152 was taken up.

On motion of Mr. F. R. Baker, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

The House refused to recede from its amendment to the appropriation bill, and a conference committee was asked for.

The following committee was appointed by the speaker as a conference committee on appropriations: Messrs. Witt, Likins, Powell, Scott, Smith C., Bush C. P., and Rader.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE BUILDINGS, PUBLIC GROUNDS AND LIBRARIES.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on State Buildings, Public Grounds and Libraries, to whom was referred House bill No. 497, entitled "An act relating to
public cemeteries," have had the same under consideration, and we respect fully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted.  

We concur in this report:

DAVID MITCHELL, Chairman.
J. H. MARSHALL.
D. R. LUSHER.
J. L. CANUTT.
A. W. STUHRMAN.
HENRY CARR.
J. O. EDWARDS.

On motion of Mr. Moore, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 46, noes 5, absent or not voting 27.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 208 was read the third time, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HARBORS AND WATERWAYS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OLYMPIA, WASH., February 24, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Harbors and Waterways, to whom was referred House bill No. 516, entitled "An act to prevent the intimidation of voters," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it do pass as amended: Section 1, line 1, after the word "person," insert "or officer or member of any company or corporation existing by virtue of the laws of this state, or carrying on any enterprise or business within this state."

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

J. Z. NELSON, Chairman.
JOHN A. GILKEY.
PAUL LAND.
J. G. FRITZ.

The rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


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Noes: None.
Absent or not voting: None.
There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has passed House bill No. 503, entitled "An act in relation to assessments for local improvements, etc.," with amendments.
Also, House bill No. 398, entitled "An act to provide for voting on a constitutional amendment relative to taxation."
And the same are herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:
The Senate has adopted the report of the committee of conference on House bill 417, and the engrossed bill together with the original are here-with returned.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

Moved by Mr. Geraghty, to take up Senate bill No. 15 for consideration.
The motion was carried.
On motion, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.
On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 44, noes 17, absent or not voting 17.
There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AFFAIRS AND SOLDIERS’ HOME.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., February 20, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Military Affairs and Soldiers' Home, to whom was referred House bills Nos. 144, 304 and 382, relating to the militia of the State of Washington, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that the bill hereto attached be substituted for House bills Nos. 144, 304, and 382, and that the substitute do pass. We further request that substitute be printed.

Respectfully submitted. J. B. SMITH, Chairman.

We concur in this report: CLEVELAND SMITH.
C. E. MOHUNDRO.
C. P. BUSH.
W. L. AMES.

House bill No. 590, substitute for House bills Nos. 144, 304 and 382, was read the second time.

Amended by striking out lines 24 and 25.

The rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was lost: Ayes 38, noes 18, absent or not voting 22.


Moved by Mr. Williams, that the House concur in Senate amendment to House bill No. 593.
The motion was carried.

Mr. C. Smith introduced the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this House that there shall be no more bills taken up for action after 6 o'clock to-night.

Moved, to lay the motion on the table.

The motion was lost.

On vote, the resolution was lost.

Senate bill No. 188 was read second time, and amended as follows:

In section 3, line 4, strike out the figures "$75" and insert the figures "$50."

The amendment was adopted.

The rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill failed to pass: Ayes 22, noes 46, absent or not voting 10.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Barlow, Canutt, Caywood, de Mattoes, Geraghty, Gilkey, Land, Marshall, Rader, and Wilkeson—10.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FORESTRY AND HORTICULTURE.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Forestry and Horticulture, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 237, entitled "An act for the prevention of forest fires," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

C. P. Bush, Chairman.
CLEVELAND SMITH.
J. B. SMITH.
GEO. WINDUST.
A. MATHIOT.
J. L. CANUTT.
On motion, the report was adopted.

Moved by Mr. Winsor, to reconsider the vote by which Senate bill No. 250 failed to pass.

On vote, the motion carried.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 50, noes 10, absent or not voting 18.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Resolution by Mr. Levin:

Resolved, That it be the sense of this House that the Capital Brewing Company of Olympia be instructed to furnish each member of this House one dozen bottles of beer and two dozen bottles to the speaker.

On motion, the resolution was laid on the table.

Senate bill No. 171 was taken up and read the second time; the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Senate bill No. 204 was read the first and second time, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, and the bill placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

The emergency clause passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.

Noes: None.
Absent or not voting: None.
There being no objection, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 608 was read the third time, the rules were suspended, and the bill placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.
Absent or not voting: None.
There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 3, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 579, entitled “An act regulating the drainage of agricultural and farm land,” have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be referred to sift ing committee.

Respectfully submitted.
Cleveland Smith, Chairman.

We concur in this report:
Geo. Windust.
C. F. Clapp.
H. D. Jory.
J. O. Couch.
C. T. Irvin.
Lewis Lindstrom.

On motion, the rules were suspended, the second reading con-
sidered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 44, noes 8, absent or not voting 26.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 607 was read the first time.

Moved by Mr. Ross, that the rules be suspended, and the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

The motion was lost.

On vote, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS AND AUDITING.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

OLYMPIA, WASH., March 4, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your Committee on Claims and Auditing, to whom was referred House bill No. 532, entitled an act for the relief of William Day," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, without recommendation.

Respectfully submitted.

C. J. Moore, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

ROBT. GERRY.

C. S. BARLOW.

JOHN FORBES.

G. H. BAKER.

J. L. CANUTT.

On motion, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.
On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 360 was read the second time.

On motion, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.
House bill No. 361 was read the second time.
On motion, the rules were suspended, the bill considered read the third time, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.
On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.
Noes: None.
Absent or not voting: None.
There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FREE CONFERENCE.

Mr. Speaker:
We, your committee on free conference to consider Senate bill No. 106, respectfully report that the title be amended to read, "and the state offices located at the capital," at the end of the title, and in line 3 of section 1 of engrossed bill insert after the word "legislature," the words, "and the state offices located at the capital."

J. A. Cole,
JOHN WOODING,
V. A. Pusey.
J. W. Range,
Thos. J. Miller,
On part of the Senate.
B. S. Scott.
C. P. Bush.
ROBT. GERRY.
F. R. Baker.
J. C. Merrifield.
On part of the House.

On motion, the report was adopted.
MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed House bill No. 307, entitled "An act to provide for a state road in Chehalis county."

Also, House bill No. 66, entitled "An act to provide for a state road on or near the Columbia river."

Also, House bill No. 459, entitled "An act to provide for a state road in Stevens county."

Also, House bill No. 43, entitled "An act relative to auditing cost bills of Snohomish county."

Also, House bill No. 172, entitled "An act to provide for a state road in Klickitat county."

Also, House bill No. 338, entitled "An act to authorize cities and towns to lease or sell water works," etc.

Also, House bill No. 428, entitled "An act to provide for a state road in King county."

And the same are herewith returned.

W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER.
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has receded from its amendments to House bill No. 126.

Also, the Senate has adopted the report of the conference committee on Senate bill No. 106.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

Senate bill No. 252 was read the first time.

On motion, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.

Noes: None.
Absent or not voting: None.
There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Senate bill No. 231 was taken up, and on motion, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 43, noes 6, absent or not voting 29.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Senate bill No. 268 was taken up.

On motion, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, and the bill placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.

Thacker, Tobiassen, Warner, Williams, Winsor, Wilkeson, Way, Witt, Wolf, Windust, and Mr. Speaker—78.

Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Senate bill No. 236 was taken up.

The rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 45, noes 2, absent or not voting 31.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

On vote, the emergency clause of Senate bill No. 236 was lost: Ayes 49, noes 8, absent or not voting 21.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Baker F. R., Baker G. H., Cay-
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Insurance, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 224, entitled "An act imposing a tax of 2 per cent. on premiums received by fire insurance companies in villages, towns, or cities having organized fire departments therein, and appropriating the same for the support and maintenance of such fire departments," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, without recommendation.

Respectfully submitted.

L. J. McAtee, Chairman.

We concur in this report:

J. O. Couch.
J. Z. Nelson.
C. P. Bush.

Senate bill No. 224 was taken up.

On motion, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, and the bill placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill failed to pass: Ayes 39, noes 19, absent or not voting 20.


REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINES AND MINING.

MR. SPEAKER:

We, your Committee on Mines and Mining, to whom was re-referred House bill No. 271, entitled "An act providing for discovery shaft, record-
ing notice, and marking boundaries of lode mining claims, and repealing section 2213, chapter 2, volume 1, Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be amended as follows: In section 1, line 1, strike out the word "ninety" and insert in lieu thereof the words "one hundred and twenty." Strike out section 5.
And as so amended, said bill do pass.
Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

HENRY CARR, Chairman.
J. O. EDWARDS.
F. I. PHELPS.
L. J. MCALEE.
C. J. MOORE.
CHARLES H. WOLF.
J. C. KINCAID.
FRANK WILKESON.

Senate bill No. 271 was taken up, and read the second time.
Amendment by Mr. Warner: In section 2, line —, strike out the word "before" and insert the word "after."
Moved, to lay the amendment on the table.
On vote, the motion was lost.
On vote, the amendment was adopted.
In same line, strike out the words "locate his claim by sinking," and insert the words "sink within one year."
The amendment was adopted.
On motion, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, and the bill placed on its final passage.
On vote, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS AND AUDITING.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your Committee on Claims and Auditing, to whom was referred the account of Chung Lee for laundry work in the sum of $1.60, have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that it be allowed.
Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

C. J. MOORE, Chairman.
ROBERT GERRY.
PHIL. M. SMITH.
JOHN FORBES.
JOHN L. CANUTT.
GEO. H. BAKER.
The speaker swore in as assistant enrolling clerks Mr. W. H. Roberts, Emma Wirick and Mr. J. B. Anderson.

Senate bill No. 76 was taken up, and read the first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Guie, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, and the bill placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 46, noes 3, absent or not voting 29.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

On motion, the House adjourned at 5:10 o'clock p. m., until 7 o'clock p. m.

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EVENING SESSION.

The House convened at 7 o'clock p. m.; Speaker Cline in the chair.

The House proceeded to the consideration of business.

Mr. de Mattos moved that the Senate be requested to return House bill No. 371 to the House.

The motion was carried.

On motion of Mr. Koehler, Senate bill No. 62 was taken up for consideration.

The rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, and the bill placed on its final passage.
On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 43, noes 0, absent or not voting 35.


Noes: None.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Moved by Mr. Stafford, to reconsider the vote on Senate bill No. 224.

The motion was carried.

On vote, the bill failed to pass: Ayes 25, noes 22, absent or not voting 31.


Moved by Mr. Roberts, to concur in the Senate's amendment to House bill No. 364.

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The motion carried.

Senate bill No. 97 was taken up and read second time.

On motion of Mr. Roberts, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 57, noes 1, absent or not voting 20.


Noes: Mr. Gilkey.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 411, entitled "An act authorizing cities and towns to construct, condemn and purchase, acquire, add to, maintain, conduct and operate water works," etc., has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. L. E. Rader, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 398, entitled "An act to provide for voting on a constitutional amendment at the general election to be held in November, 1898, relative to taxation," has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. H. D. Jory, Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.
The Senate has passed House bill No. 364, entitled "An act to abolish the boards of trustees," etc. as amended.
Also, Senate bill No. 242, "An act for the relief of the Capital City Abstract Company," etc.
Also, Senate bill No. 248, "An act for the relief of Moffat Bros."
And the same are herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

Senate bill No. 208 was read the second time.
On motion, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.
On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 47, noes 10, absent or not voting 21.
There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate has passed House bill No. 302, entitled "An act to regulate the leasing of mineral lands of the United States," also the Senate has passed Senate bill No. 288, substitute for House bill No. 371, entitled "An act fixing the fees to be paid to the secretary of state by corporations," and the same are herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.
Mr. Speaker:

The president of the Senate has appointed the following committee, Senators High, Warburton, Dorr, Hill, Lesh, Lewis, and Crow, to act as a conference committee concerning the differences on Senate bill No. 273.

DUDLEY ESHelman, Secretary.

House bill No. 445 was taken up, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 53, noes 1, absent or not voting 24.


Noes: Mr. Stafford.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

House bill No. 233 was taken up, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Nees: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed House bill No. 209, entitled "An act allowing corporations to act as surety," etc., and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Acting Secretary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House Bill No. 126, entitled "An act for the relief of the Ilwaco Railway and Navigation Company, and granting to said company the right to construct, equip, maintain and operate its railroad and wharf over and upon certain tide lands in front of the town of Ilwaco, Pacific county, Washington," has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted.

L. E. RADER, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 66, entitled "An act providing for the survey and location of a wagon road and public highway from a point at or near Montesano, in the county of Chehalis, State of Washington, by way of North river valley, Willapa, South Bend, the Nehma river and Nasel river valleys, to a point on the Columbia river at or near Brookfield, Wahkiakum county, and making an appropriation therefor," has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted.

L. E. RADER, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 43, entitled "An act for the relief
of Snohomish county," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. L. E. RADER, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 393, entitled "An act to authorize cities and towns which have purchased or constructed water works, or gas or electric light works, to lease or sell the same, and to ratify and confirm leases or sales of the same heretofore made by such cities and towns," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. L. E. RADER, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

Senate bill No. 209 was taken up.

Moved by Mr. Williams, that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

The motion was lost.

Amendment by Mr. Williams: Strike out the figures "30,000," and insert the figures "5,000."

The amendment was lost.

Strike out the figures "30,000," and insert the figures "10,000."

The amendment was lost.

On motion, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, and the bill placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 44, noes 19, absent or not voting 15.


There being no objection, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

The House concurred in Senate amendment to House bill No. 302.

The House concurred in Senate amendments to House bill No. 209.

The House concurred in Senate amendments to House concurrent resolution No. 29.

The following resolution was offered, by Mr. Witt:

Resolved, That the House of Representatives has been happy in having as press correspondents the gentlemen and lady named below, to wit: Chas. E. Claypool, Tacoma Ledger; Mrs. Georgie Blankenship, Spokane Chronicle; George Piper, Oregonian; Paul Heidrick, Post-Intelligencer; Fred Piper, Associated Press; J. C. Rathbun, Seattle Times; W. M. Mattison, Morning Union, and Fred. R. Marvin, Spokesman-Review. And we congratulate the papers represented by them, that they have discriminated so wisely in sending such a corps of suave and accomplished correspondents to Olympia; and, be it further

Resolved, That we extend to the above named correspondents our sincere thanks for the fair and impartial manner in which they have reported the proceedings of this legislature.

On motion, the resolution was adopted, by a standing vote.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The president of the Senate has signed Senate bill No. 15; also, the president has signed Senate bill No. 49; and the same are herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The president of the Senate has signed House bill No. 411.
Also, House bill No. 398.
And the same are herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. PRESIDENT AND MR. SPEAKER:

We, your committee on conference, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 273, entitled "An act making appropriations for sundry civil expenses of the state government for the fiscal term beginning April 1, 1897, and
ending March 31, 1899," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the Senate and House of Representatives, with the statement that we have been unable to agree with the Senate committee, and respectfully request the appointment of a committee of free conference.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

GEO. M. WITT, Chairman.
J. L. LIKINS.
JOHN H. POWELL.
C. P. BUSH.
B. S. SCOTT.
C. SMITH.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the same committee was appointed to act as a free conference committee.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has amended House bill No. 418, entitled "An act relating to insurance," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
House bill No. 371 was returned to the House March 3, 1897.

Senate members of the conference committee state that the original bill was not considered by the committee, and the Senate records show that the bill is in possession of the House.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

Senate bill No. 221 was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Koehler moved to lay the bill on the table.

The motion was carried.

The speaker announced that he had signed Senate bills Nos. 15 and 49, in open session of the House.

Senate bill No. 259 was taken up for consideration.

Mr. J. M. Edwards moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

The motion was lost.

Amendment: In section 1, line 6, after the word "appliance," insert the words "excepting set nets."

The amendment was lost.

Amendment by Mr. J. M. Edwards: In section 3, strike out, in line 21, the last nine words; also, all of lines 22, 23 and 24. Strike out in line 25 the word "three" and insert in lieu thereof the word "two;" also, strike out the last word in line 25, all of lines 26, 27, 28, 29 and, "ment" in line 30. Insert in line eleven, after
the ninth word, "it shall also hereafter be unlawful to construct any fish traps or pound nets in the Columbia river or its tributaries east of an imaginary line drawn from the southwest corner of government reserve, on Scarbor Hill, to the northeast corner of government reserve, on Cape Disappointment, Pacific county, Washington."

Amendment by Mr. Hansen: Strike out and amend section 1: In section 1, strike out in line 2 the words "flowing into Puget Sound or Gray's Harbor" and insert therein, after the word "rivers," "and bays." Strike out all of section 1 after the word "rivers," in line 11. In section 1, strike out in line six the word "sixty" and insert therein "thirty."

The rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, and the bill placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 49, noes 8, absent or not voting 21.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

The House concurred in Senate amendments to Senate bill No. 288, substitute for House bill No. 371.

The clerk was instructed to record the same vote as on House bill No. 371.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 63, noes 4, absent or not voting 11.


The emergency clause passed: Ayes 63, noes 4, absent or not voting 11.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

The House concurred in Senate amendment to House bill No. 418.

Bills for advertisements for public offices, amounting to $7.40, were allowed.

Senate bill No. 174 was taken up and read the first and second time, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, and the bill placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 43, noes 5, absent or not voting 30.

Ayes: Messrs. Ames, Baker F. R., Baker G. H., Baker S. W., Barlow, Bush A. S., Canutt, Caywood, Conine, Freeman, Forbes,


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Senate bill No. 210 was taken up for consideration.

On motion, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, and the bill placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed House bill No. 318, entitled “An act providing for the disposition of certain funds collected by road supervisors,” and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.
Mr. Speaker:
The president of the Senate has signed Senate bill No. 263, entitled "An act to provide for assessment and collection of taxes," and the same is herewith transmitted. R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

Senate bill No. 202 was taken up, and read the third time.
Amendment by Mr. Williams: In the proviso, change the word "one" to the word "two."
The amendment was carried.
Amendment by Mr. Ross: Strike out lines 11, 12, 13 and 14.
The amendment was carried.
On motion, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, and the bill placed on its final passage.
On vote, the bill failed to pass: Ayes 35, noes 8, absent or not voting 35.


House bill No. 242 was taken up for consideration.
On motion, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, and the bill placed on its final passage.
On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FREE CONFERENCE.

OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Washington:

We, your committee on free conference on Senate bill No. 290, entitled "An act relating to publication of notices of sale," respectfully report a substitute for the bill, and recommend that it do pass.

The bill is submitted herewith.

Very respectfully,

J. O. COUCH,
ROBT. GERRY,
E. H. GUE,
Of the House.

R. C. WILSON,
E. W. TAYLOR,
L. C. CROW,
Of the Senate.

On motion, the report was adopted.

House bill No. 260 was taken up for consideration.

On motion, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 39, noes 4, absent or not voting 35.


Absent or not voting: Messrs. Ames, Baker F. R., Barlow, Bush C. P., Canutt, Caywood, Clapp, Conine, Couch, de Mattos,

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Senate bill No. 258 was taken up for consideration; the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, and the bill placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.

There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 290, entitled "An act relating to publication of notices of sale," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The president of the Senate has signed House bill No. 66; also House bills Nos. 126, 393, and 43, and the same are herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

Senate bill No. 281 was taken up for consideration; the rules
were suspended, the second reading considered the third, and the bill placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill failed to pass: Ayes 30, noes 15, absent or not voting 33.


Senate bill No. 144 was taken up.

On motion, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote the bill failed to pass: Ayes 28, noes 22, absent or not voting 28.


Senate bill No. 243 was taken up for consideration.

On motion, the rules were suspended, the second reading consid-
ered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 48, noes 3, absent or not voting 27.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

Moved by Mr. Winsor, that the vote on Senate bill No. 202 be reconsidered.

The motion was carried.

On vote, the bill failed to pass: Ayes 39, noes 13, absent and not voting 26.


Moved by Mr. Williams, to return the bill to second reading, under suspension of the rules.
Moved by Mr. Williams, to reconsider the vote that strikes out subdivisions 4, 5 and 6 of the bill.
The motion was carried.
Moved, that the bill be indefinitely postponed.
The motion was carried.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has amended House bill No. 620, the capitol building bill; also the Senate has amended House bill No. 310, and the same are here-with returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

House bill No. 395 was taken up for consideration.
On motion, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, the bill considered engrossed, and placed on its final passage.
On vote, the bill failed to pass: Ayes 31, noes 14, absent or not voting 33.


MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed House bill No. 162.
Also, House bill No. 485.

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Also, House bill No. 355.
And the same are herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

Senate bill No. 290 was taken up for consideration.
On motion, the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, and the bill placed on its final passage.
On vote, the bill failed to pass: Ayes 37, noes 7, absent or not voting 34.


The House refused to concur in Senate amendments to House bill No. 620, and asked the Senate to appoint a conference committee.

The House concurred in the Senate amendment to House bill No. 310.

Senate bill No. 248 was taken up.
Moved by Mr. Nelson, to lay the bill on the table.
Motion carried.

Resolution by Mr. Williams:

Resolved, That the speaker, sergeant-at-arms, chief clerk, assistant chief clerk, journal clerk, assistant journal clerk and such clerks as may be necessary be and are hereby allowed their regular per diem for a period not exceeding seven days each after the close of the session, for the necessary work to be performed in clearing up the books and accounts of the session.

On motion, the resolution was adopted.
Moved that the House consider no new bills after the hour of 11 P. M.

On motion, the House took a recess at 10:30 o'clock P. M.
The House was called to order by the speaker at 10:55 o'clock P. M.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 170, and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has appointed Senators Miller T. J., Davis and Range as a committee to confer with a like committee regarding the differences of the two houses on House bill No. 620.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed House bill No. 180, entitled "An act to provide for the official scaling of logs and lumber," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

The speaker appointed as a conference committee on House bill No. 620, Messrs. Pierson, Libby and Mitchell.

Senate bill No. 170 was taken up for consideration; the rules were suspended, the second reading considered the third, and the bill placed on its final passage.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 78, noes 0, absent or not voting 0.


Noes: None.

Absent or not voting: None.
There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed Senate bills Nos. 96, 250, 106, 231, 171, 236, 152, 204, 97, and 268, and the same are herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

Senate bill No. 157 was taken up.

Moved, that the bill lay on the table.

The motion was carried.

Miss Dittman was sworn in as assistant engrossing clerk.

The speaker announced that he had signed Senate bills Nos. 268, 97, 204, 236, 171, 231, 106, 250, and 96, in open session.

Moved, to reconsider the vote on Senate bill No 290.

The motion was carried.

On vote, the bill was passed: Ayes 53, noes 5, absent or not voting 20.


There being no objections, the title of the bill was ordered to stand as the title of the act.

REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON HOUSE BILL No. 620.

Amendments by the committee—

Amend section 1, of House bill No. 620, by striking out all of said section between the words "that," in line 3, and "building," in line 18, and
inserting the following: "The capitol building commission is hereby directed to proceed with the construction of a state capitol, and the State of Washington hereby guarantees the payment of the interest annually upon two hundred and fifty thousand dollars of the five hundred thousand dollars of warrants authorized by this act, which shall hereafter be issued on the state capitol building fund, the interest on which two hundred and fifty thousand dollars of warrants is hereby reduced to a rate not exceeding four (4%) per cent. per annum, and there is hereby appropriated from any money in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of ten thousand ($10,000) dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary to meet the annual interest that may be payable during the life of this appropriation; all interest paid as aforesaid, to be returned to the general fund of the state treasury from the proceeds of the sale of land granted to the state for the purpose of erecting public buildings at the state capital: Provided, That such warrants shall be issued for the completion of said —"

Amendment by Senate: "The State of Washington hereby guarantees the payment of the interest annually upon all warrants authorized by this act, which shall hereafter be issued on the state capitol building fund, the interest on which warrants is hereby reduced to a rate not exceeding 5 per cent. per annum, and there is hereby appropriated from any money in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of ten thousand ($10,000) dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary to meet the annual interest that may become payable during the life of this appropriation; all interest paid as aforesaid, to be returned to the general fund of the state treasury from the proceeds of the sales of lands granted to the state for the purpose of erecting public buildings at the state capital: Provided, That such warrants shall be issued for the completion of said —"

We, the conference committee, to whom was referred House bill No. 620, respectfully report the above amendment, instead of the one adopted by the Senate.

THOS. J. MILLER,
J. A. DAVIS,
J. W. RANGE,
Of the Senate.

J. B. LIBBY,
V. R. PIERSO N,
DAVID MITCHELL,
Of the House.

Mr. Libby moved to adopt the report of the conference committee on House bill No. 620.

On vote, the report was adopted: Ayes 39, noes 18, absent or not voting 21.

Ayes: Messrs. Ames, Baker G. H., Baker S. W., Bush A. S., Carr, Conine, Fritz, Forbes, Guie, Geraghty, Gerry, Hagadorn, Hansen, Hicks, Irvin, Johnston, Kincaid, Kittinger, Libby, Lusher,
The following resolution was introduced by Mr. Kittinger:

WHEREAS, During the past year the Almighty, in his infinite wisdom, has called unto himself the Hon. Moses Bull, a former member of this body: therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, ever mindful of the debt of gratitude the state owes to his memory as an able lawyer, a faithful servant, and an honorable citizen, hereby expresses its sincerest respect to the memory of the deceased, and heartfelt sympathy to his bereaved family; and

Be it further resolved, That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the journal of this House, and the chief clerk be instructed to forward an engrossed copy to the family of the deceased.

The unanimous vote of the House was cast for the resolution, and the chief clerk instructed to have same properly engrossed and forward to the family of the deceased.

The following resolution was introduced by Mr. Kittinger:

WHEREAS, During the past year the Almighty, in his infinite wisdom, has called unto himself the Hon. Albert Burroughs, a former member of this body: therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, ever mindful of the debt of gratitude the state owes to his memory, as a faithful servant and an honorable citizen, hereby expresses its sincerest respect to the memory of the deceased, and heartfelt sympathy to his bereaved family; and

Be it further resolved, That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the journal of this House, and the chief clerk be instructed to forward a copy to the family of the deceased.

The resolution was adopted by an unanimous vote, and the chief clerk instructed to forward an engrossed copy of same to the family of the deceased.
MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed Senate bills Nos. 252, 210 and 62, and the same are herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has amended House bill No. 472, entitled "An act known as the school law bill," and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed Senate bill No. 243, entitled "An act relating to justices of the peace and constables."
Also, Senate bill No. 208, entitled "An act relating to taxes and funds of municipal corporations."
And the same are herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has adopted the report of the conference committee on House bill No. 620, and the same is hereby returned.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 310, entitled "An act to establish and maintain a fish hatchery on the Chehalis river or one of its tributaries, and making an appropriation therefor," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.
Respectfully submitted.
L. E. RADER, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MR. SPEAKER:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 428, entitled "An act providing for the survey and establishment of a state road," etc., has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.
Respectfully submitted.
MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House, the speaker signed the above.
MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has adopted the report of a majority of the free conference committee on Senate bill No. 273, "An act making an appropriation for public expenses for the next two fiscal years," and the report is herewith transmitted to the House.

DUDLEY ESHelman, Secretary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House concurrent resolution No. 29, relating to the lease of suitable quarters for the state offices for the ensuing four years, has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted.

L. E. RADER, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House, the speaker signed the above.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 459, entitled "An act providing for a state wagon road beginning at a point on the Columbia river opposite the town of Marcus, Stevens county; thence following the state road as near as practicable, as at present laid out, to a point on the east bank of the Methow river opposite the mouth of the Twisp river; thence over and across the summit of the Cascade mountains on the line as already laid out and established, to a point on the west bank of the Skagit river, and connecting with the present county road at or near Marble Mount in Skagit county, and making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted.

H. D. JORY, Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 364, entitled "An act to abolish the boards of trustees respectively of the Washington state reform school, the Western Washington hospital for the insane, the Eastern Washington hospital for the insane, the Washington soldiers' home, and the board of directors of the state penitentiary, as now constituted, and to create a state board of audit and control for the government, control and maintenance of said institutions," has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted.

H. D. JORY, Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.
MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed House bills Nos. 414 and 224, and the same are herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 318, entitled "An act providing for the disposition of certain funds collected for road purposes from the property subsequently included within the corporate limits of any city or town, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. A. T. TOBIASSEN, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MR. SPEAKER:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 302, entitled "An act to regulate the leasing of mineral lands belonging to the State of Washington, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. H. D. JORY, Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has passed House bill No. 534, by Mr. Barlow, and the same is herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHelman, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FREE CONFERENCE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
We, your committee on free conference, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 273, entitled "An act making appropriations for sundry civil expenses of the state government for the fiscal term beginning April 1, 1897, and ending March 31, 1899," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House with the recommenda-
tion that it be amended as to the items in dispute, as per annexed schedule.

Respectfully submitted.

We concur in this report:

AUGUSTUS HIGH, Chairman.
C. W. Dorr.
S. WARBURTON.
D. E. Lesh.
JOHN H. POWELL.
B. S. SCOTT.
L. C. CROW.
FRANK P. LEWIS.
JOSEPH HILL.
J. L. LIKINS.

AMENDMENT SCHEDULE.

Line 9. $1,200 instead of $2,400.
Line 10. Restore line ten.
Line 11. Concur in House amendment.
Lines 16 and 16½. As in engrossed bill.
Line 25. $820 per year instead of $1,040.
Line 26½. Concur in House amendment.
Line 27. Concur in House amendment.
Line 28. $400.
Line 29. Concur in House amendment.
Line 30. Concur in House amendment.
Line 31. Strike out House amendment.
Line 32. $500.
Lines 33 and 34. Each $200.
Line 36. Concur in House amendment.
Line 56. $1,800.
Line 57. Concur in House amendment.
Line 64. Concur in House amendment.
Line 66. Concur in House amendment.
Line 73. $6,000.
Line 83½. Concur in House amendment.
Line 86½. Concur in House amendment.
Line 93. Concur in House amendment.
Line 90. Concur in House amendment.
Line 96. Concur in House amendment.
Line 98. $500.
Line 105. $4,000.
Line 107. $1,500.
Line 114½. Concur in House amendment.
Line 111. Concur in House amendment.
Line 116½. Concur in House amendment.
Line 119. $150,000.
Line 120. Concur in House amendment.
Line 131. $600.
Line 122. Concur in House amendment.
Line 128. Concur in House amendment.
Line 132. Concur in House amendment.
Line 133. Concur in House amendment.
Line 134. $4,000.
Line 134½. Concur in House amendment.
Line 143. Concur in House amendment.
Line 144. Concur in House amendment.
Line 147. As in printed bill, $58,060.
Line 147½. Concur in House amendment.
Line 153. As in printed bill.
Line 155. Concur in House amendment.
Line 156. As in printed bill.
Line 158. As in printed bill.
Line 162. As in printed bill.
Line 164. $90,000.
Line 165. $3,500.
Lines 170½, 170½, 171¾, and 171½. Concur in House amendment.
Line 179. Concur in House amendment.
Line 182. As in printed bill.
Military fund. Concur in House amendment.
State fair. $3,000 per year — $6,000.
Line 170. Maintenance agricultural college; $28,000.

The speaker announced that he had signed Senate bills Nos. 252, 62, 210, 243 and 208, in open session.

The House concurred in Senate amendments to House bill No. 472.

The conference committee on Senate bill No. 273 made two reports, to wit, a majority and minority report.

Moved, that the majority report be substituted for the minority report, and that the same be adopted.

On vote, the motion was carried.

A committee of free conference was appointed, consisting of the same personnel composing the last committee.

The House agreed to all of the items in the amended schedule submitted by the conference committee, except the following:

Line 119. Maintenance for Western Washington hospital for insane, $150,000. We recommend $140,000.
Strike out line 153.
Line 156. Maintenance for Ellensburg normal school, $28,000.
We recommend $23,000.
Line 158. Maintenance for Cheney normal school, $28,000.
We recommend $23,000.
Line 162. Maintenance for New Whatcom normal school, $20,000. We recommend $10,000.

Line 164. Maintenance for state university, $90,000. We recommend $60,000.

Line 170. Maintenance for agricultural college, $28,000. We recommend $20,000.

Line 189. State fair, $6,000. We recommend to strike out.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED
BILLS.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 307, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment of a state road from Grand Forks, on the Wishkah river, in Chehalis county, to La Push, in Clallam county, Washington, and making an appropriation," has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.


In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 355, entitled "An act for the relief of W. B. Davey and other creditors of the state normal school at New Whatcom, and making an appropriation therefor," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. D. R. Lusher, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,
Olympia, Wash., March 11, 1897.

Mr. Speaker.

The Senate has amended House bill No. 402, and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

Senate Chamber,
Olympia, Wash., March 11, 1897.

Mr. Speaker.

The Senate has amended House bill No. 354, and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. Hagood, Assistant Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED
BILLS.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 182, entitled "An act providing
for the survey, location and constructing of a wagon road and public highway from a point at or near Lyle, Klickitat county, State of Washington, from thence westward, along the north bank of the Columbia river to a point at or near Washougal, Clarke county, and making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. DAVID MITCHELL, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has voted to consider no more bills, save the general appropriation bill.

DUDLEY ESHelman, Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed House bills Nos. 428, 310, 364, 459, 355, 307, 318 and 302, and House concurrent resolution No. 29.

Also, Senate bills Nos. 174, 170, 258, 233, 260, 288, 242 and 290.

And the same are herewith transmitted.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 414, entitled "An act providing for the assessment and collection of the cost of improving street intersections," etc., has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. GEO. KITTINGER, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MR. SPEAKER:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 417, entitled "An act regulating common carriers, fixing maximum railroad freight rates in the State of Washington," etc., has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. MILES T. HOOPER, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MR. SPEAKER:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 209, entitled "An act relative to
recognizances, stipulations, bonds and undertakings, and to allow certain corporations to be accepted as surety thereon," etc., has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. H. D. Jory, Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 620, entitled "An act for expediting the completion of the state capitol building, and making an appropriation therefor," etc., has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. H. D. Jory, Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 402, entitled "An act to promote and protect the fruit growing and horticultural interests of the State of Washington," etc., has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. D. R. Lusher, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

The House concurred in senate amendments to House bill No. 224.

The House concurred in the Senate amendment to House bill No. 402.

The House concurred in the Senate amendment to House bill No. 354.

The speaker announced that he had, in open session, signed Senate bills Nos. 174, 170, 258, 233, 260, 288, 242 and 290.

Miss Florence Prince was sworn in by the speaker as assistant enrolling clerk.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FREE CONFERENCE.

House of Representatives,
Olympia, Wash., March 11, 1897.

Mr. Speaker:

We, your committee on free conference, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 273, entitled "An act making appropriations for certain fiscal expenses of the state government for a period extending from April 1, 1897, to March 31, 1899," have had the same under consideration, and we respectfully report the same back to the House of Representatives, with the recommendation that the following differences between the two houses
have been agreed to by the joint and free conference committee, as fol­

dows:

Line 63½, salary of deputy superintendent of public instruction .... $2,000
Line 119, maintenance Western Washington hospital for insane ... 145,000
Line 156, maintenance Ellensburg normal school ....................... 25,000
Line 158, maintenance Cheney normal school .......................... 25,000
Line 162, maintenance New Whatcom normal school ................. 17,500
Line 170, maintenance agricultural college .............................. 27,500
Line 164, maintenance state university .................................. 78,000
Line 27, extra clerk hire secretary of state ................................ 500
Line “state fair” ................................................................. 5,500

Respectfully submitted.

GEORGE M. WITT.
B. S. SCOTT.
C. P. BUSH.
JOHN H. POWELL.
J. L. LIKINS.
C. SMITH.
L. E. RADER.

On motion, the report was adopted.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The Senate has adopted the report of the free conference committee on
Senate bill No. 273.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:
The president of the Senate has signed House bill No. 302; and also,
House bill No. 82; and the same are herewith returned.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED

BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports
that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 508, entitled “An act in relation
to assessments for local improvements, providing for the enforcement
thereof, and the refunding of warrants issued therefor,” has been care­
fully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly
enrolled.

Respectfully submitted.

H. D. JORY, Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MR. SPEAKER:
Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports
that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 354, entitled “An act to provide
for the publishing of the third biennial report of the state board of horticulture, and declaring an emergency," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. L. E. RADER, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 485, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a state road along the banks of the Columbia river from the town of Wenatchee, in Kittitas county, thence northerly on the west bank of said Columbia river via the bridge of said Wenatchee river (the same formerly being a ferry), to the mouth of the Methow river, thence along the west bank of the Methow river to the mouth of the Twisp river, in the county of Okanogan," has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. DAVID MITCHELL, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 224, entitled "An act to provide for the selection, survey, management, reclamation, lease and disposition of the state's granted, school, tide, oyster and other lands," etc., has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. DAVID MITCHELL, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 418, entitled "An act to regulate and control insurance companies, corporations and associations in this state," etc., has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. L. E. RADER, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
Olympia, Wash., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The president of the Senate has signed House bills Nos. 414, 209, 402 and 417, and the same are herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.
STATE OF WASHINGTON.

SENATE CHAMBER,
Olympia, Wash., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The president of the Senate has signed Senate bills Nos. 93 and 259; also, House bills Nos. 485, 354 and 508, and the same are herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHELMAN, Secretary.

SENATE CHAMBER,
Olympia, Wash., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The president of the Senate has signed House bills Nos. 224 and 418, and the same are herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 162, entitled "An act to secure to the public the continued use of natural oyster beds," has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted.

H. D. JORY, Chairman.

In open session of the House, the speaker signed the above.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
Olympia, Wash., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The president of the Senate has signed House bill No. 162, and the same is herewith returned.

R. W. HAGOOD, Assistant Secretary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED AND ENGROSSED BILLS.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 472, entitled "An act to establish a general uniform system of public schools in the State of Washington, and repealing chapter 6 of title 3, chapter 7 of title 5, all of the 10th except chapter 17, chapter 4 of title 50, all being of volume 1 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington; also, repealing all amendments thereto; also, repealing an act entitled 'An act concerning the formation of new school districts, changing the boundaries and transferring territory from one district to another,'" approved March 9, 1892; also, repealing an act entitled "An act to provide for the management and control of state normal schools in the State of Washington," approved March 10, 1893, and all amendments thereto; also, repealing an act entitled "An act granting to school districts the right to purchase school house sites of school lands belonging to the State of Washington of not less than one acre and not more than five acres, and granting to school districts" etc.,

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has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. H. D. Jory, Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 180, entitled "An act to provide for the official scaling of logs and lumber," has been carefully compared with the engrossed copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. L. E. Rader, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills respectfully reports that the enrolled copy of House bill No. 534, entitled "An act authorizing the acquiring, securing, condemnation, laying out, grading and improvement of boulevards or composite highways," etc., has been carefully compared with the original copy thereof, and found correctly enrolled.

Respectfully submitted. Miles T. Hooper, Acting Chairman.

In open session of the House the speaker signed the above.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,
Olympia, Wash., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The president of the Senate has signed House bill No. 472.
Also, House bill No. 534.
Also, House bill No. 180.
And the same are herewith returned.

Dudley Eshelman, Secretary.

Senate Chamber,
Olympia, Wash., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The president of the Senate has signed Senate bill No. 209, entitled "An act relating to arid lands," and the same is herewith transmitted.

R. W. Hагood, Assistant Secretary.

Moved by Mr. Roberts, that the gavel used by the speaker during the session be presented to the speaker as a memorial.

The motion was carried.

The speaker announced that he had signed in open session Senate bills Nos. 93, 259, 209 and 273.

On motion, the journal was ordered read.

On motion, the reading of same was dispensed with, and the journal approved up to this hour of the session.
On motion of Mr. Witt, a committee was appointed to inform the Senate that the House had transacted all of its business and was ready to adjourn.

The speaker appointed Messrs. Witt, Land, Bush A. S., Bush C. P., Hooper, Barlow, Roberts and Smith J. B., as such committee.

The committee, returning, reported that they had performed the duty as directed by the House, and was thereupon discharged.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

SENATE CHAMBER,
OLYMPIA, WASH., March 11, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER:

The president of the Senate has signed Senate bill No. 273, and the same is herewith transmitted.

DUDLEY ESHelman, Secretary.

Moved by Mr. Land, that a committee be appointed to inform the Senate that the House is ready to adjourn, and that if the Senate has no further communication the House will stand adjourned sine die.

The chair appointed Messrs. Land, Hodgdon and Roberts as such committee.

The committee returning, reported that the Senate had further communications for the House, and were not ready to adjourn. Whereupon the committee was discharged.

The chair appointed Messrs. Roberts, Barlow and C. P. Bush as a committee to notify the governor that the House awaited his pleasure.

The committee returning, reported, and was discharged.

A committee from the Senate appeared before the bar of the House, and notified the House that the Senate was ready to adjourn.

On motion, the journal of the proceedings of the day was approved.

On motion of Mr. Barlow, the House adjourned, sine die, at 12 o'clock midnight.

CHAS. E. CLINE, Speaker.

S. P. CARUSI, Chief Clerk.
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Page 75: House concurrent resolution No. 7, read House joint resolution No. 10.
Page 93: Senate has passed House bill No. 23, read has signed House bill No. 23.
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Page 323: House concurrent resolution, by Mr. Marshall, read House joint resolution No. 18.
Page 342: Concurrent resolution No. 13, read House joint resolution No. 6.
Page 371: No message from Senate as to signing of House bill No. 25.
Page 399: No record in House minutes as to speaker signing House bill No. 27.
Page 426: Senate amendments to House concurrent resolution —, read House joint resolution No. 11.
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Page 594: House bill No. 9, read Senate bill No. 9.
Page 594: (Committee report) "House resolution —," read House joint resolution No. 22, by Mr. Hagadorn.
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Page 943: Senate bill No. 51 has had its passage clinched by an extra message.
Page 956: Senate bill No. 271, read House bill No. 271.
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Page 973: House bill No. 260, read Senate bill No. 260.
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S. P. CARUSI, Chief Clerk.
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70. Mr. De Mattos: An act extending the time for payment of taxes, remitting penalty and interest, and declaring an emergency.

71. Mr. J. O. Edwards: An act making it unlawful for any employer or employers of labor to pay the wages of workingmen, by them employed, in either store goods, merchandise, written or verbal orders, or time checks, and providing punishment for the violation thereof.

72. Mr. Conine: An act to prohibit the manufacture, sale, purchase or gift of cigarettes, cigarette paper or cigarette wrappers, and providing a penalty therefor.

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78. Mr. Hansen: An act to amend section 12, page 14, of school law of 1890 of the State of Washington, relating to county boards of examination of teachers.

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337. Mr. C. Smith: An act in relation to the election of United States senators.

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353. Mr. FREEMAN (by request): An act to regulate the practice of pharmacy, the licencing of persons to carry on such practice, and the sale of poisons, wines, spirituous and malt liquors in the State of Washington, defining crimes and misdemeanors, and prescribing penalties in cases of the violation thereof, and repealing chapter 153 of the Session Laws of 1891, being entitled "An act to regulate the practice of pharmacy, the licencing of persons to carry on such practice, and the sale of poisons in the State of Washington," approved March 9, 1891, and also repealing chapter 113 of the Session Laws of 1893, being entitled "An act to amend section 8, chapter 153 of the Session Laws of 1891 of the State of Washington, regulating the practice of pharmacy, approved March 9, 1891, and declaring an emergency," approved March 10, 1893, and declaring an emergency

354. Mr. C. P. BUSHE (by request): An act to provide for the publishing of the third biennial report of the state board of horticulture, and declaring an emergency

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365. Mr. Marshall: An act to amend section 18 of an act entitled "An act to define, regulate and govern the state penitentiary, and declaring an emergency," approved March 9, 1891.

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368. Mr. Wolf (by request): An act to regulate corporations engaged in the business of guaranteeing or acting as security of persons in public and private offices or positions, and the agents of certain corporations, and prescribing penalties for failure to comply therewith.

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372. Mr. Likins: An act to permit cities and towns to take and use the water of the navigable streams, rivers and lakes of the State of Washington for certain purposes, to regulate the supply thereof, and to prevent the pollution of the same.
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408. Mr. FORBES: An act to provide for the inspection of petroleum oils, and to create the office of state supervisor; to prevent the adulteration of illuminating oils; for the better security of life and property.

409. Mr. WITT: An act making an appropriation for certain deficiencies of the previous fiscal term, and for other purposes.

410. Mr. PHELPS (by request): An act authorizing the United States circuit court commissioners for Washington to take acknowledgments and affidavits.

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412. Mr. KITTINGER: An act authorizing boards of county commissioners to expend a part of any road or bridge tax upon main highways within the limits of incorporated cities and towns within their respective counties, and declaring an emergency.

413. Mr. KITTINGER: An act providing for the construction, maintenance and renewal of bulkheads or retaining walls upon or along streets in incorporated cities and towns, and providing for the assessment and collection of the cost thereof upon local districts benefited thereby, and declaring an emergency.

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602. Mr. Mentzer: An act to amend sections 3033 and 3034 of chapter 3 of volume 1 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington, regulating the salaries of justices of the peace and constables of cities of the first, second and third classes.

603. Mr. Merrifield: An act providing for the modification of contracts for the excavation of any waterway through any tide lands belonging to the State of Washington or any citizen or corporation of said state; the filling in and raising above high tide any tide or shore lands belonging to the State of Washington; the excavation of any waterway lying between the inner and outer harbor lines of any harbor, estuary, bay or inlet of the State of Washington, lying within or in front of the corporate limits of any city, or within one mile thereof upon either side, and the excavation of any street which may be legally vacated bordering or terminating upon such harbor line or waterway.

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605. Mr. Scott: An act relating to the liability of county treasurers, and declaring an emergency.

606. Judicary Committee: An act to provide for the disposition of criminals sentenced to the state penitentiary.

607. Mr. Warner: An act creating a board of railroad, steamboat and warehouse commissioners for the State of Washington, defining their duties, regulating common carriers, and fixing maximum passenger and freight rates, and making an appropriation therefor.

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