ment or tender of payment or deposit the amount of the appraisal and damages said company, as provided in said order, duly certified copy thereof, with proof such payment and deposit as therein pro- d, will be considered as legal evidence the title and estate of said company to real estate described therein. All real Ate acquired by appraisal by said com- ny shall be used and pursuant to this act, shall emed to be acquired for public use.

SEC. 9. Be it further enacted, etc., That said company is hereby authorized to ew intersect, join, and unite its railroad with any other railroad heretofore or hereafter constructed in the State of Louisiana at any point upon its route, and upon the nt of such other railroad company, the necessary turnouts, sidings, tches, and other conveniences in further ce of the objects of its connections; and ery railroad company in the State of Louisiana whose railroad shall be hereafter structed by the railroads of this com- y, shall unite with it in forming such connections and connections, and grant facilities aforesaid; and if the said rail- d companies can not agree upon the ms and manner of such crossing, inter- ction, and the division and apportion- nt of the cost and expense of the same ween said companies, the same shall be termined and determined by Commis- ners appointed by the Court, as provided this act, in respect to acquiring title real estate.

SEC. 10. Be it further enacted, That said company is em- wered and authorized to purchase or ke from any railroad company or corpo- on its railroad, and the charter, fran- ises, property and appurtenances thereof, maintain and use the same as a part of property of said company, and the said mpany is also authorized and empowered enter into any mutual contract with any her railroad company or corporation by ich the capital stock and property of h other company or corporation shall come merged and consolidated with this company, and into one joint and mmon stock, and be and exist as one mpany, professing and enjoying all the ers, franchises, rights, and privileges ated to or vested in each and all of the mpanies so consolidated and united by the ws of Louisiana, or by other States ough which the railroad of said company consolidated and united may pass, the visions of any statute heretofore passed the State of Louisiana to the contrary herewith-tanding.

SEC. 11. Be it further enacted, etc., That company is authorized and empowered m time to time to borrow money or to chase property upon its own credit, for purpose of constructing and maintain- said railroads, or establishing contin- ns and connecting lines of railroads as efore and in its act of incorporation ovided, and as evidence of the indebted- s of said company for such loans or the chase of such property, may issue its porate bonds or promissory notes, bear- interest at a rate not to exceed eight cent per annum; and to secure the pay- nt of said bonds and notes, may mort- e its railroads, its capital stock, its porate franchises and any of its real or sonal property, or any part or portion of same; and it may, by its President or er officers or agents duly authorized by Directors, sell, dispose of, or negotiate h bonds and notes, or may sell, dispose or negotiate its capital stock; said ital stock being declared to be personal perty and transferable as such, or any of personal property, at such times and ces, and at such rates and for such prices, her within or without the limits of this e as in the judgment of said Company or Directors will best advance its interests; d if such bonds, notes, or stocks are thus ld at a discount, such sale shall be in all spects valid and binding upon this Com- ny, and such stocks, bonds, or notes shall ld for the par value thereof as if the e had been sold at par value.

SEC. 12. Be it further enacted, etc., That said Company can sue and be sued in rts of the State of Louisiana of competent risdiction, and in such manner and form y as corporations of the State of Louisi- a can sue and be sued; and service of cess in any action against the said Com- ny can be made only by service of the ocess on either the President, Secretary, asurer, or any of the Directors of said mpany, or upon the agent of the Company ding in the city of New Orleans, in the te of Louisiana, and designated by the mpany to receive such service; and it all be the duty of the Company to desig- e one of its agents residing in the said y of New Orleans as the agent upon whom h service of process can be made, and to h public notice thereof by advertisement four consecutive weeks, in a newspaper blished in the city of New Orleans; and h public notice shall be given whenever change is made in such agency.

SEC. 13. Be it further enacted, etc., That any person or persons shall willfully do, cause to be done any act or acts what- er, whereby any building, construction, works of said Company, or any engine, chine, or structure, or any matter or ng appertaining to the same shall be pped, obstructed, impaired, weakened, ured, or destroyed, the person so offend- g shall be deemed guilty of a misde- eanor, and shall forfeit and pay to said Company double the amount damage sustained by reason of such of- nse or injury, to be recovered in the ame of said company, with costs of suit, action of debt; and such offenders shall be subject to indictment, and shall be ntenced, on conviction, at the discretion the court, for a period not exceeding ifteen months.

SEC. 14. Be it further enacted, That this act shall be favorably and liberally con- ued, so as to favor all the purposes and jects of the same, and the operations of provisions thereof.

The following message from the Governor s read, and on motion of Mr. Wilcox erred to the Committee on Federal Re- tions:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, STATE OF LOUISIANA, New Orleans, August 12, 1868.

To the Honorable President and Members of the Senate:

I transmit herewith, for the information f action of the Senate, a communication Charles Barnard, Captain and A. Q. M., charge of cemeterial operations, Fifth Military District, forwarded to me by Major neral R. C. Buchanan, with the request at the subject be laid before the Legis- ture, and that the jurisdiction over cer- n land therein referred to be ceded to the ited States.

(Signed) H. C. WARMOTH, Governor of Louisiana.

On motion of Mr. Wilcox the Senate ad- urned.

The following is the bill redistricting the te passed by the Senate:

House bill No. 26,

By F. Morey, of Ouachita:

Act making a new division of the State f Louisiana into five Congressional dis- ricts.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and use of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened, at until otherwise directed by law, the ate of Louisiana shall be divided into five ongressional districts, and the qualified ectors of each district shall choose one epresentative to Congress as follows:

The First Congressional district shall com- se all that portion of the parish of Or- ans, on the right bank of the Mississippi ver, and so much of said parish on the ft bank of said river as is between east Canal street, in the city of New leans, comprising the fourth, fifth, xth, seventh, eighth, and ninth epresentative districts of the par- h of Orleans, and the parishes of St. Bernard, Plaquemines, St. Tammany, Washington, St. Helena, and Livingston.

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SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, etc., That all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act be and the same are hereby repealed, and that this act be in force and take effect from and after its passage.

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thirty-Ninth Day's Session.

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Speaker Lowell in the chair.

The roll being called forty-nine members answered to their names:

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There being no quorum present,

Mr. McVean, of Caddo, moved that the Sergeant-at-Arms be sent in search of absent members.

Carried.

A few moments after, a quorum being present, prayer was made by Chaplain Kingston.

On motion of Mr. Tureaud, of St. James, the reading of the journal was dispensed with.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Enrollment submitted the following report, which was accepted:

ENROLLMENT ROOMS, House of Representatives, New Orleans, August 12 1868.

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

Your Committee on Enrollment respectfully reports that the following bills have been duly engrossed, to wit:

An act to incorporate the New Iberia, Vermilionville, and Texas Railroad Company.

An act to regulate the practice and the dispatch of business in the District Courts of New Orleans.

An act to establish the Board of Public Works for the State of Louisiana and to define the duties of the same.

An act relative to the appointment o Licenses Inspectors of the city of New Orleans.

An act to amend an act entitled an act relative to the public printing, approved July 24, 1868.

An act to establish a Board of Public Works for the State.

Respectfully submitted.

O. H. BREWSTER, Chairman Enrollment Committee.

The Committee on Public Health and Quarantine submitted the following report, with a petition of the Board of Health, which were received, and on motion of Mr. Morey, of Ouachita, made the special order of the day for Saturday next, at one o'clock P. M., and 150 copies of the report and petition of the Board of Health ordered to be printed.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND QUARANTINE, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, New Orleans, August 11, 1868.

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

GENTLEMEN—Your Committee on Public Health and Quarantine, to whom was referred House bill No. 52, entitled an act to protect the health of the city of New Orleans and of the town of Algiers, on the right bank, respectfully submit the following report, which report is made from personal and careful observation on the part of your committee; as also from the opinion and personal experience of persons thoroughly competent to judge on the question. We would inform you that we have in our possession a petition signed by eleven hundred respectable property holders of New Orleans, describing the nuisance complained of by Mr. Seldon. The first question which would arise on this important matter is: What becomes of the immense quantity of filth and offal which is accumulated at and in the vicinity of the Stock Landing? The result of our investigations on this subject is that it all goes into the Mississippi river which, if not prejudicial to the health of New Orleans, is certainly very revolting when we consider that the immense suction pipe of the New Orleans Water Works is immediately below, acting as a small crevasse and sucking in objects floating on the water at a distance of fifty or sixty feet. We would state that when the river is low, it is not uncommon to see the intestines and portions of putrified animal matter lodged immediately around the pipes, and the liquid portion of this putrified matter is sucked into the reservoir, and intestines and other filthy substances frequently seen floating on top of the water near the suction pipe.

Any vessel arriving here with cattle, especially those that have been in a storm, have numbers of dead cattle on board, which are invariably thrown into the river at the Stock Landing. These dead and partially decomposed carcasses are again taken from the river and subjected to the process of skinning, after which the carcass or such portions as are rejected, are again thrown into the river. It is not unusual during the sultry heat of the summer months, to see these floating objects mingling with the shipping, and detained there by the eddies, no doubt causing all sorts of diseases among the sailors on board of these vessels.

There is not the slightest doubt in the mind of your committee that this large amount of corrupt and macerated animal matter, constantly embracing the densely populated shore, must be extremely prejudicial to the health of the citizens of New Orleans, not only as to its local influence on the immediate vicinity, but the city generally is liable to suffer.

To recapitulate we would state that the two subjects which deserve the most important consideration are—

First—The water we drink, which in summer particularly is contaminated with macerated and decomposed animal matter, which water frequently makes an impression not only on the sense of smell but of taste.

Second—The air we breathe, which at times is contaminated to an incredible degree. The amount of filth carted to the river from different slaughter houses is immense. Barrels filled with blood, urine, and other refuse matter, all in an abominable state of decomposition, are being constantly thrown into the water, and floating down the shore, are poisoning the air; and this with other dead animal matter floating in the river, causes an abominable nuisance, which also exists along the banks of the lower part of the city. We would mention that there is a law which provides for all vessels arriving with cattle to go below Slaughterhouse Point to clean off, and there also throw overboard their dead cattle. It would clearly seem to be to the interest of the people connected with the Stock Landing to abide by the provisions of this law be carried out. They seem, however, to be extremely careless on the subject, and the only way to abolish the detestable nuisance is to remove it to another locality, and by so doing subserve the best interests of the citizens of New Orleans by removing the elements of disease to a locality beyond the city limits, and by taking such steps as will effectually carry out the provisions of the law requiring vessels to clean off below Slaughterhouse Point. By so doing, we will remove an evil which is the means of loading the atmosphere with deleterious particles floating in it which produce absolute poisoning, and therefore contagious diseases. We furthermore believe that the city of New Orleans will be in a great measure relieved of the disease known as yellow fever. To say the least of it, pernicious influences will be removed which are illy calculated to subserve the public health. It is well known that contagion is prone to arise from the above specified causes, and that if we do all we can to purify the air we breathe and the water we drink we have done our duty, and shall probably succeed in arresting it, as well as producing a perceptible improvement in the densely populated districts in the neighborhood of the Stock Landing.

The above being the result of our observations as to the sanitary condition of the question, we most respectfully recommend the passage of the bill referred to us, without amending, however, the accompanying substitute for the same.

Very respectfully submitted.

A. W. FAULKNER, Chairman;
CHARLES GRAY,
B. C. WREN,
WM. MURRELL,
D. C. FOUTE,
Committee on Public Health and Quarantine.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., August 10, 1868.

To the General Assembly of the State of Louisiana:

We, the undersigned, members of the Board of Health of the city of New Orleans, would respectfully recommend that the present stockyards, landings, and sales stables, at present located at Jefferson City, be removed to a point on the Mississippi river below the Barracks; and that the point at which all stock, consisting of cattle of all kinds, hogs, sheep, and goats, etc., shall be landed and sold shall be at a point at least from four to eight hundred feet below the present location of said Barracks. That we make the recommendation fully believing that the health and sanitary condition of the city will be greatly improved by the change.

And we would also respectfully recommend as a sanitary benefit to the city of New Orleans that all slaughterhouses and places for killing stock of all kinds shall be removed below a line running west from the upper line of the Stock Landing and sales stables to Lake Pontchartrain.

J. S. SMITH, President Board of Health;
SAM'L CHOPPIN M. D.,
S. T. PENNINGTON.

Mr. Yorke, of Carroll, chairman of the Committee on Elections and Qualifications, submitted the following report, which was received and adopted:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, State of Louisiana, Committee on Contested Elections and Qualifications, New Orleans, August 12, 1868.

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Louisiana:

GENTLEMEN—We, the undersigned, members of the Committee on Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the case of contest of John G. Seiden against James R. Currell, have decided that according to the law governing such cases, they can only consider the charge of "ineligibility," for the following reasons:

That up to the twentieth day of July, 1868, the charge of ineligibility was the only one preferred by Seiden against Currell, and the only charge on which the contest for the seat of said Currell was based.

The law on this point is found in the "Revised Statutes" of Louisiana of 1856, (see page 213, section fifty-four,) and reads:

"Any person intending to contest an election shall within thirty days of the election, in case of a Representative or Senator, give to the person concerned a written notice, under his hand, and attested by two subscribing witnesses, stating the fact on which the contest is based, and no other can afterward be admitted; and ten days notice of the time and place of taking depositions thereon must be given to the opposed party."

We believe that Mr. Seldon has complied with the first portion of this section within three days of the meeting of the House; but he then came forward with a second charge of fraud, stating that he found that he could not sustain the charge of ineligibility.

This second notice, which was served on Mr. Currell, has the date of the 20th of July, 1868, and said Currell swears that it was not served on him until the 22d or 23d day of that month. The result of election was proclaimed by General Buchanan on the 24 of June, 1868; hence we see that Mr. Seldon attempted to enter his second charge forty-eight days after the proclamation.

On examining Mr. Seldon on the matter, he at first stated that he did not remember the date of the serving of said charge. But on the next day, he comes forward and swears that charges were dated and served on the tenth day of July, 1868.

We are therefore of opinion that the said Seldon has not complied with the law, and that he has attempted, by false swearing and false witness, to prove that he did.

The charge of ineligibility we consider Mr. Currell has proven to be without ground, and such is acknowledged by Mr. Seldon. We attach the evidence in this matter to and make it part of this report, and we respectfully recommend to your honorable body that said James R. Currell be sworn and take his seat as a Representative from the Sixth Representative District, from the parish of Orleans.

Respectfully submitted.

P. JONES YORKE, Chairman;
JAMES S. MATTHEWS.
JAMES McCULLEN.
DENNIS BURRELL.

We, the undersigned, attach our names to this report under compulsion, for reason that Mr. Seldon did not serve upon Mr. Currell a notice of contest upon the charge of frauds, within the limit prescribed by law, for which he alone is to blame; also for the further reason, that in our opinion the ninety-ninth article of the constitution does not disfranchise Jeff Davis.

HARRY LOTT.
F. C. ANTOINE.

On motion of Mr. Noble, of Orleans, Mr. Currell, of Orleans, was sworn in by the Speaker and took his seat.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS—BILLS ON THIRD READING.

By Mr. Lott, of Rapides:

An act to amend an act entitled an act to provide for supplying the loss of the public records and other papers consumed by the burning of the Courthouse in the parish of Rapides during the month of May, 1864, and to ratify the appointment by Governor Wells of a commissioner for that purpose.

Mr. Noble, of Orleans, made the following motion, which was adopted:

As the constitutional provision requires that "no judicial powers shall be exercised by Clerks of Courts;" therefore be it

Resolved, That the act in question be recommitted to the judiciary, with instructions to report upon the constitutionality thereof.

Mr. Lott, of Rapides, moved that the Committee on Judiciary be instructed to report within twenty-four hours.

Adopted.

By Mr. Harper, of St. Charles:

Substitute bill No. 114 for House bill No. 63 was placed on its third reading.

Mr. Brewster, of Ouachita, moved to strike out that part of the bill allowing one-half of the fine to the informer.

Lost.

Mr. Harper moved to amend as follows: After word "informer," insert "and the other half shall be paid into the treasury of the State for the support of the common schools."

Amendment adopted.

Yeas and nays called on the final passage of the bill as amended, which resulted as follows:

Yeas: Alexander, Antoine, Adolphe, Belot, Burrel, Calhoun, Carr, Cuny, Deslonde, Dewees, Dufresne, Dupart, Evans, Esnard, Guignet, Gair, Garstkamp, Guidry, Hill, Honore, Harper, Hutchinson, Holland, Hall, Heidenhain, Isabelle, LeBlanc, Leroy, Lott, Mollere, Mahier, McVean, Murrel, Morey, Morand, Pearce, Page, Raymond, Reese, Rey, Smith, Sterrett, Tureaud, Umphreys, Walsh, Washington, Wren, H. Williams, Yorke, D. Young—59.

Nays: Abbott, Bennett, Buckingham, Barbee, Bergeron, D-grange, Dupre, Demarest, Faulkner, Hanlon, Kent, Landers, McCullen, May, Magee, Noble, Pierce, Slaton, Waters, N. Young, Zoelly—21.

The bill was then adopted by its title, and ordered to be sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The bill is as follows:

An act extending protection to laborers in the exercise of the privilege of free suffrage.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened, That any planter, manager, overseer, or other person or persons, who shall previous to the expiration of their term of service, discharge from their employ, any laborer or laborers on account of their political opinion or who shall attempt to control the suffrages or votes of said laborers by any duress or coercion on account of any contract or agreement whatever, shall pay a fine of not less than five hundred nor more than one thousand dollars, one half of said fine to be paid to the informer, and the other half shall be paid into the Treasury of the State for the support of common schools, or shall be imprisoned for a period of not more than one year.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, etc., That all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act be, and the same are hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. Be it further enacted, etc., That this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

Senate bill No. 59 was placed on its third reading.

Mr. Noble, of Orleans moved that further consideration of the bill be dispensed with, 150 copies of the bill ordered to be printed, and that it be made the special order of the day for Tuesday at one o'clock P. M.

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Carried.

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Carried.

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WHEREAS, Widow Marie Loup and Widow Martha Hurst have been, and are now in destitute circumstances on account of the massacre of their husbands, Constance Loup, deceased, and Spencer Hines Hurst, deceased, by rioters on the thirteenth of July, 1866, in the city of New Orleans, Louisiana; therefore,

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened, That the sum of three hundred dollars is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated to Widow Marie Loup and Widow Martha Hurst, and that the same be paid to each of said parties by the State Treasurer upon the warrant of the State Auditor.

SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY.

House bill No. 8, entitled an act relative to notaries public, being under consideration,

Mr. Walsh, of De Soto, moved that the House resolve itself into Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the bill.

Carried.

Mr. McMillen, of Carroll, was called to the Chair.

Pending the discussion of the bill,

Mr. Garstkamp, of Jefferson, moved that the committee rise, and report progress, in order to adjourn as a mark of respect to the memory of the Hon. Thaddeus Stevens.

Carried.

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Mr. McMillen, chairman of the committee, reported progress, and asked permission to sit again.

Report received.

Mr. Isabelle, of Orleans, moved that the House adjourn in respect to the memory of the Hon. Thaddeus Stevens until to-morrow at twelve o'clock M.

Mr. Page, of Jefferson, moved to amend to eleven o'clock A. M.

Carried.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow at eleven o'clock A. M.

WILLIAM VIGERS, Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Fortieth Day's Session.

THURSDAY, August 13, 1868.

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Speaker Lowell in the chair.

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WHEREAS, Widow Marie Loup and Widow Martha Hurst have been, and are now in destitute circumstances on account of the massacre of their husbands, Constance Loup, deceased, and Spencer Hines Hurst, deceased, by rioters on the thirteenth of July, 1866, in the city of New Orleans, Louisiana; therefore,

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened, That the sum of three hundred dollars is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated to Widow Marie Loup and Widow Martha Hurst, and that the same be paid to each of said parties by the State Treasurer upon the warrant of the State Auditor.

SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY.

House bill No. 8, entitled an act relative to notaries public, being under consideration,

Mr. Walsh, of De Soto, moved that the House resolve itself into Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the bill.

Carried.

Mr. McMillen, of Carroll, was called to the Chair.

Pending the discussion of the bill,

Mr. Garstkamp, of Jefferson, moved that the committee rise, and report progress, in order to adjourn as a mark of respect to the memory of the Hon. Thaddeus Stevens.

Carried.

The Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. McMillen, chairman of the committee, reported progress, and asked permission to sit again.

Report received.

Mr. Isabelle, of Orleans, moved that the House adjourn in respect to the memory of the Hon. Thaddeus Stevens until to-morrow at twelve o'clock M.

Mr. Page, of Jefferson, moved to amend to eleven o'clock A. M.

Carried.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow at eleven o'clock A. M.

WILLIAM VIGERS, Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Forty-First Day's Session.

FRIDAY, August 14, 1868.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Speaker Lowell in the chair.

The roll being called, forty-eight members answered to their names:

Speaker Lowell, Abbot, Alexander, Antoine, Bennett, Buckingham, Brewster, Barbee, Burrel, Bergeron, Collins, Calhoun, Carell, Cuney, Dewees, Dufresne, Dupre, Dupart, Evans, Esnard, Faulkner, Foute, Guignet, Gair, Garstkamp, Gray, Hill, Honore, Hutchinson, Holland, Hall, Heidenhain, Isabelle, Lee, Lott, Landers, McVean, Murrell, Mansion, Morand, Matthews, Raymond, Smith, Tureaud, Umphreys, Walsh, H. Williams, Yorke—52.

Nays: Barbee, Buckingham, Belot, Bergeron, Brewster, Collins, Deslonde, Dewees, Dufresne, Dupre, Demarest, Dupart, Evans, Guignet, Gray, Guidry, Hill, Haskell, Hanlon, Honore, Harper, Kent, Le Blanc, Leroy, Mollere, Mahier, McMillen, Melvin, Morey, Magee, Noble, Pearce, Page, Rey, Slaton, Sterrett, Washington, Wren, Wilson, Waters, N. Young, D. Young, Zoelly—46.

The rules were not suspended, and the bill referred to the Committee on Corporations.

One hundred and fifty copies were ordered to be printed.

By Mr. Wren, of Bossier:

House bill No. 140.

An act to fund and protect the outstanding liabilities of the State of Louisiana.

First reading.

By Mr. Lott, of Rapides:

House bill No. 141.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Claims submitted the following report, which was received and accepted:

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

Your Committee on Claims beg leave to report unfavorably to the petition of B. Campbell for notarial fees, in which he claims to have been called upon in his official capacity to take divers and sundry depositions of witnesses in relation to the recent elections, and claims that such services were worth one hundred dollars, which he failed or neglected to collect from the individuals to whom he rendered such services.

Therefore your committee fail to see any just cause why the State should be made responsible for said claim.

J. H. McVEAN, Chairman of Committee on Claims;
P. JONES YORKE,
S. E. CUNEY,
W. POPE NOBLE.

The Committee on Enrollment submitted the following report, which was received and accepted:

ENROLLMENT DEPARTMENT, House of Representatives, New Orleans, August 12, 1868.

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

Your Committee on Enrollment have the honor to report that the following bills have been duly engrossed, to-wit:

An act extending protection to laborers in the exercise of the privilege of free suffrage.

An act for the relief of widows Loup and Hurst.

An act to amend and extend an act entitled an act to provide for supplying the loss of the public records and other papers consumed by the burning of the Courthouse in the parish of Rapides during the month of May, 1864 and to ratify the appointment by Governor Wells of a commissioner for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted.

O. H. BREWSTER, Chairman Committee on Enrollment.

The Committee on Education submitted the following majority and minority reports, which were made the special order of the day for Friday, next week, the twenty-first, at one o'clock P. M.:

MAJORITY REPORT.

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, August 12, 1868.

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

We beg leave to report an act entitled an act to regulate public education in the State of Louisiana with some corrections and amendments, urging its prompt passage to facilitate the early opening of the Public Schools under this new and better system, which, we believe, will prove beneficial to all classes of our fellow citizens, and which will correct the glaring defects heretofore existing to the prejudice and injury of one class of citizens and to the special benefit of another.

HENRY L. REY, Chairman;
F. C. ANTOINE,
E. W. DEWEES,
JOS. MANSION,
P. G. DESLONDE.

MINORITY REPORT.

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, August 13, 1868.

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

GENTLEMEN: The undersigned respectfully offer the following as the minority report on the act entitled an act to regulate public education in the State of Louisiana, and report against the entire bill as printed, after careful examination of its leading provisions, that although in favor of offering all practicable inducements and making such provisions as would ensure a general system of education to all in the state, yet the bill as presented is highly objectionable in all its details, being altogether insufficient to the people of this State in a religious and social point of view; that the present system of public education is of the best method that could be put in force, and with some extension in the country parishes should be continued.

(Signed) W. H. PIERCE,
D. C. FOUTE.

Mr. Lee, chairman of the Select Committee appointed to act jointly with a similar committee of the Senate to consider the several police bills, reported that some changes should be made in order to agree, and asked that the House resolve itself into Committee of the Whole to consider the same.

Carried.

Mr. McMillen, of Carroll, was called to the chair.

Mr. Lee, of St. Bernard, moved to take up Senate bill No. 70.

Carried.

After some discussion and agreeing upon recommending certain changes, Mr. Hall, of Orleans, moved that the committee rise and report progress.

Carried.

The Speaker resumed the chair.

The chairman, Mr. McMillen, reported progress, and asked permission to sit again.

One hundred and fifty copies, with the recommended amendments, were ordered to be printed.

Order of business resumed.

The following communication was received and accepted:

ROOM OF COMMITTEE ON CONDUCT OF ELECTION, and the Condition of Peace and Good Order in the State, New Orleans, La., August 12, 1868.

To Clerk House of Representatives:

SIR—You are respectfully notified that this committee have met for the transaction of any business which may be brought before them between the hours of nine o'clock A. M. and seven o'clock P. M., at rooms No. 216 Common street.

By authority of the committee,

HUGH J. CAMPBELL, Chairman.

A. H. STONE, Secretary.

NOTICES OF BILLS.

Under a suspension of the rules, Mr. Burrell, of St. John Baptist, gave notice of the following bills:

An act relative to marriages. Also

An act removing all disabilities on account of color.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Faulkner, of Caldwell:

House bill No. 139, an act relative to draining certain portions of the parishes of Orleans and Jefferson.

First reading.

The rules being suspended, the bill was placed on its second reading.

Mr. Carr, of Orleans, moved to suspend the rules in order to refer the bill to a special committee.

Yeas and nays called, resulting as follows:

Yeas: Abbot, Alexander, Antoine, Bennett, Burrel, Calhoun, Carr, Cuney, De Grange, Eager, Faulkner, Garstkamp, Hutchinson, Holland, Hall, Heidenhain, Isabelle, Lee, Lott, Landers, McVean, Murrell, Mansion, Morand, Matthews, Raymond, Smith, Tureaud, Umphreys, Walsh, H. Williams, Yorke—32.

Nays: Barbee, Buckingham, Belot, Bergeron, Brewster, Collins, Deslonde, Dewees, Dufresne, Dupre, Demarest, Dupart, Evans, Guignet, Gray, Guidry, Hill, Haskell, Hanlon, Honore, Harper, Kent, Le Blanc, Leroy, Mollere, Mahier, McMillen, Melvin, Morey, Magee, Noble, Pearce, Page, Rey, Slaton, Sterrett, Washington, Wren, Wilson, Waters, N. Young, D. Young, Zoelly—46.

The rules were not suspended, and the bill referred to the Committee on Corporations.

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By Mr. Wren, of Bossier:

House bill No. 140.

An act to fund and protect the outstanding liabilities of the State of Louisiana.

First reading.

By Mr. Lott, of Rapides:

House bill No. 141.

An act to fix the bonds of sheriffs. First reading.

By Mr. Carr, of Orleans:

House bill No. 142.

An act in relation to the electors of President and Vice President of the United States for the State of Louisiana. First reading.

By Mr. Melvin, of Natchitoches:

House bill No. 143.

An act to exempt the town of Natchitoches from parish taxes. First reading.

At the suggestion of Mr. Harper, bill No. 119, in relation to steam boilers, was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Manufactures.

Mr. Eager, of Orleans, asked for leave of absence for two weeks, and that some member be placed on the Special Committee to investigate the issuance of levee bonds in his stead.

Granted.

The Chair appointed Mr. Carroll to act in the absence of Mr. Eager.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Secretary of the Senate was announced asking concurrence in Senate bills Nos. 13, 57, and 80.

SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY.

Senate bill No. 31 being under consideration Mr. Noble moved that the House resolve itself into Committee