Stinson, Tatman, Thompson, E. Williams, Young—31.

Carried.

The second section was read.

Upon its adoption the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. H. Lott, of Rapides, and Bryan, of Calcasieu, with the following result:

Yeas—Adolphe, Barrett, Belot, Bentley, Blunt, Bowen, Buckingham, Carr, Crawford, Davidson, Davis, Demas, Dewees, Deslonde, Gaddis, Gardner, Garstkamp, Hempstead, Huston, Kenner, Kinsella, La Saliniere, Marie, Matthews, McCarty, McFarland, Morphy, Morris, Murray, Oplatek, Overton, Quinn, Raby, Riley, Ringgold, Sartain, Smith, Souer, Stamps, Stanton, Tounoir, Tureaud, Verrett, Washington (Assumption), Washington (Concordia), Waters, Yorke—47.

Nays—Baker, Barker, Bickham, Broussard, Bryan, Butler, Cochrane, Darinsburg, Durio, Ellis, Faulkner, Floyd, Fontelieu, P. Harper, William Harper, Hyams, Killen, Laurent, Llambias, H. Lott, J. B. Lott, Mahoney, Marvin, Meadows, Moncure, Nelson, Ong, Stinson, Tatman, Thompson, E. Williams, H. Williams, Young—33.

Carried.

Mr. Dewees, of De Soto, moved the adoption of the bill as a whole.

Upon which the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Thompson, of St. Tammany, and H. Lott, of Rapides, with the following result:

Yeas—Abel, Barrett, Belot, Bentley, Blunt, Bowen, Buckingham, Carr, Crawford, Davidson, Davis, Demas, Dewees, Deslonde, Floyd, Gaddis, Gardner, Garstkamp, Hempstead, Huston, Johnson, Kenner, Kinsella, La Saliniere, Laurent, Mahoney, Marie, Matthews, McCarty, McFarland, Morphy, Morris, Murray, Oplatek, Overton, Quinn, Raby, Riley, Ringgold, Sartain, Smith, Souer, Stamps, Stanton, Tounoir, Tureaud, Washington (Assumption), Waters, E. Williams, H. Williams, Yorke—51.

Nays—Baker, Barker, Bickham, Broussard, Brown, Bryan, Chachere, Cochrane, Darby, Darinsburg, Ellis, Faulkner, Fontelieu, P. Harper, William Harper, Hyams, Killen, Llambias, H. Lott, J. B. Lott, Marvin, Meadows, Moncure, Nelson, Stinson, Tatman, Thompson, Young—28.

Carried.

Mr. Dewees, of De Soto, moved a reconsideration of the vote just taken, and also moved to lay the motion to reconsider on the table.

On which the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Cochrane, of Lafayette, and H. Lott, of Rapides, with the following result:

Yeas—Abel, Adolphe, Barrett, Bentley, Bickham, Bowen, Buckingham, Carr, Crawford, Darinsburg, Davidson, Davis, Demas, Dewees, Deslonde, Faulkner, Floyd, Gaddis, Gardner, Garstkamp, Hempstead, Huston, Johnson, Kenner, Kinsella, La Saliniere, Laurent, J. B. Lott, Mahoney, Marie, Marvin, Matthews, McCarty, McFarland, Morphy, Morris, Murray, Oplatek, Overton, Quinn, Riley, Ringgold, Sartain, Smith, Souer, Stamps, Tounoir, Tureaud, Verrett, Washington (Assumption), E. Williams, H. Williams, Yorke—53.

Nays—Baker, Barker, Blunt, Broussard, Brown, Bryan, Butler, Cochrane, Darby, Durio, Ellis, Fontelieu, P. Harper, William Harper, Hyams, Killen, Llambias, H. Lott, Meadows, Moncure, Nelson, Ong, Raby, Stinson, Tatman, Thompson, Washington (Concordia), Young—28.

Carried.

Mr. Faulkner, of Caldwell, moved to take up and consider the bill reported by the minority of the committee.

Mr. Barrett, of Orleans, moved to lay that motion on the table, on which the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. H. Lott, of Rapides, and W. Harper, of Caddo with the following result:

Yeas—Abel, Adolphe, Barrett, Belot, Bentley, Bickham, Blunt, Bowen, Buckingham, Carr, Crawford, Davidson, Davis, Demas, Dewees, Deslonde, Floyd, Gaddis, Gardner, Garstkamp, Hempstead, Huston, Johnson, Kenner, Kinsella, La Saliniere, Marie, Matthews, McCarty, McFarland, Morphy, Morris, Murray, Oplatek, Overton, Quinn, Raby, Riley, Ringgold, Sartain, Smith, Souer, Stamps, Tounoir, Tureaud, Verrett, Washington (Assumption), Washington (Concordia), Waters, E. Williams, Yorke—51.

Nays—Antoine, Baker, Barker, Broussard, Brown, Bryan, Butler, Chachere, Cochrane, Darby, Darinsburg, Durio, Ellis, Faulkner, Floyd, Fontelieu, P. Harper, William Harper, Hyams, Killen, Laurent, Llambias, H. Lott, J. B. Lott, Marvin, Meadows, Moncure, Nelson, Ong, Stinson, Tatman, Thompson, H. Williams, Young—31.

Carried.

Mr. Dewees, of De Soto, moved that the bill be considered as engrossed.

On which the yeas and nays were called, on motion of Messrs. H. Lott and J. B. Lott, of Rapides, with the following result:

Yeas—Abel, Adolphe, Barrett, Belot, Bentley, Bickham, Blunt, Bowen, Brown, Buckingham, Carr, Crawford, Davidson, Demas, Dewees, Deslonde, Faulkner, Gaddis, Gardner, Garstkamp, Hempstead, Huston, Johnson, Kenner, Kinsella, Laurent, Mahoney, Marie, Marvin, Matthews, McCarty, Moore, Morphy, Morris, Murray, Oplatek, Overton, Quinn, Raby, Riley, Ringgold, Sartain, Smith, Souer, Stamps, Stinson, Tounoir, Tureaud, Verrett, Washington (Assumption), Washington (Concordia), Waters, E. Williams, H. Williams, Yorke—55.

Nays—Baker, Barker, Broussard, Bryan, Butler, Cochrane, Darby, Ellis, P. Harper, Hyams, Killen, Llambias, H. Lott, J. B. Lott, Meadows, Moncure, Nelson, Ong, Tatman, Thompson, Young—21.

Carried.

The Committee on Enrollment submitted the following report:

COMMITTEE ON ENROLLMENT, February 27, 1872.

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

Your Committee on Enrollment beg leave to report as duly enrolled, House bill No. 284, an act authorizing the police jury of the parish of Red River to issue bonds for certain purposes.

Respectfully, P. HARPER, Chairman.

Mr. Quinn, of Orleans, moved to suspend the constitutional rules so as to place the bill on its third reading and final passage.

On which the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. H. Lott, of Rapides, and Bryan, of Calcasieu, with the following result:

Yeas—Abel, Barrett, Bentley, Bickham, Blunt, Bowen, Brown, Buckingham, Carr, Crawford, Darby, Darinsburg, Davidson, Davis, Demas, Dewees, Deslonde, Durio, Faulkner, Gaddis, Gardner, Garstkamp, William Harper, Hempstead, Huston, Johnson, Kenner, La Saliniere, Mahoney, Marie, Marvin, Matthews, McCarty, McFarland, Moore, Morphy, Morris, Murray, Oplatek, Overton, Pond, Quinn, Raby, Riley, Ringgold, Sartain, Smith, Souer, Stamps, Stanton, Tounoir, Tureaud, Verrett, Washington (Assumption), Washington (Concordia), Waters, E. Williams, H. Williams, Yorke—38.

Nays—Baker, Barker, Broussard, Bryan, Butler, Chachere, Cochrane, Darby, Durio, Ellis, Faulkner, P. Harper, William Harper, Hyams, Killen, Laurent, Llambias, H. Lott, J. B. Lott, Marvin, Meadows, Moncure, Nelson, Stinson, Tatman, Thompson, Young—28.

Carried.

Mr. Dewees, of De Soto, moved a reconsideration of the vote just taken, and also moved to lay the motion to reconsider on the table.

Upon which the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. J. B. Lott and H. Lott, of Rapides, with the following result:

Yeas—Abel, Barrett, Belot, Bentley, Bickham, Blunt, Bowen, Brown, Buckingham, Carr, Crawford, Darinsburg, Davidson, Davis, Demas, Dewees, Deslonde, Faulkner, Floyd, Gaddis, Gardner, Garstkamp, William Harper, Hempstead, Johnson, Kenner, Kinsella, La Saliniere, Laurent, Mahoney, Marie, Marvin, McFarland, Moore, Morphy, Morris, Murray, Oplatek, Overton, Pond, Quinn, Raby, Riley, Ringgold, Sartain, Smith, Tureaud, Verrett, Washington (Assumption), Washington (Concordia), Waters, E. Williams, H. Williams, Young—33.

Carried.

Mr. Dewees, of De Soto, moved the adoption of the bill as a whole.

Upon which the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Thompson, of St. Tammany, and H. Lott, of Rapides, with the following result:

Yeas—Abel, Barrett, Belot, Bentley, Blunt, Bowen, Buckingham, Carr, Crawford, Davidson, Davis, Demas, Dewees, Deslonde, Floyd, Gaddis, Gardner, Garstkamp, Hempstead, Huston, Johnson, Kenner, Kinsella, La Saliniere, Laurent, Mahoney, Marie, Matthews, McCarty, McFarland, Morphy, Morris, Murray, Oplatek, Overton, Quinn, Raby, Riley, Ringgold, Sartain, Smith, Souer, Stamps, Stanton, Tounoir, Tureaud, Washington (Assumption), Washington (Concordia), Waters, E. Williams, H. Williams, Yorke—51.

Nays—Antoine, Baker, Barker, Broussard, Brown, Bryan, Butler, Chachere, Cochrane, Darby, Darinsburg, Durio, Ellis, Faulkner, P. Harper, William Harper, Hyams, Killen, Laurent, Llambias, H. Lott, J. B. Lott, Marvin, Meadows, Moncure, Nelson, Ong, Stinson, Tatman, Thompson, H. Williams, Young—31.

Carried.

Mr. Dewees, of De Soto, moved that the bill be considered as engrossed.

On which the yeas and nays were called, on motion of Messrs. H. Lott and J. B. Lott, of Rapides, with the following result:

Yeas—Abel, Adolphe, Barrett, Belot, Bentley, Bickham, Blunt, Bowen, Brown, Buckingham, Carr, Crawford, Davidson, Demas, Dewees, Deslonde, Faulkner, Gaddis, Gardner, Garstkamp, Hempstead, Huston, Johnson, Kenner, Kinsella, Laurent, Mahoney, Marie, Marvin, Matthews, McCarty, Moore, Morphy, Morris, Murray, Oplatek, Overton, Quinn, Raby, Riley, Ringgold, Sartain, Smith, Souer, Stamps, Stinson, Tounoir, Tureaud, Verrett, Washington (Assumption), Washington (Concordia), Waters, E. Williams, H. Williams, Yorke—55.

Nays—Baker, Barker, Broussard, Bryan, Butler, Cochrane, Darby, Ellis, P. Harper, Hyams, Killen, Llambias, H. Lott, J. B. Lott, Meadows, Moncure, Nelson, Ong, Tatman, Thompson, Young—21.

Carried.

The Committee on Enrollment submitted the following report:

COMMITTEE ON ENROLLMENT, February 27, 1872.

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

Your Committee on Enrollment beg leave to report as duly enrolled, House bill No. 284, an act authorizing the police jury of the parish of Red River to issue bonds for certain purposes.

Respectfully, P. HARPER, Chairman.

Mr. Quinn, of Orleans, moved to suspend the constitutional rules so as to place the bill on its third reading and final passage.

On which the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. H. Lott, of Rapides, and Bryan, of Calcasieu, with the following result:

Yeas—Abel, Barrett, Bentley, Bickham, Blunt, Bowen, Brown, Buckingham, Carr, Crawford, Darby, Darinsburg, Davidson, Davis, Demas, Dewees, Deslonde, Durio, Faulkner, Gaddis, Gardner, Garstkamp, William Harper, Hempstead, Huston, Johnson, Kenner, La Saliniere, Mahoney, Marie, Marvin, Matthews, McCarty, McFarland, Moore, Morphy, Morris, Murray, Oplatek, Overton, Pond, Quinn, Raby, Riley, Ringgold, Sartain, Smith, Souer, Stamps, Tounoir, Tureaud, Verrett, Washington (Assumption), Washington (Concordia), Waters, E. Williams, H. Williams, Yorke—51.

Nays—Antoine, Baker, Barker, Broussard, Brown, Bryan, Butler, Chachere, Cochrane, Darby, Darinsburg, Durio, Ellis, Faulkner, P. Harper, William Harper, Hyams, Killen, Laurent, Llambias, H. Lott, J. B. Lott, Marvin, Meadows, Moncure, Nelson, Ong, Stinson, Tatman, Thompson, H. Williams, Young—31.

Carried.

Mr. Dewees, of De Soto, moved that the bill be considered as engrossed.

On which the yeas and nays were called, on motion of Messrs. H. Lott and J. B. Lott, of Rapides, with the following result:

Yeas—Abel, Adolphe, Barrett, Belot, Bentley, Bickham, Blunt, Bowen, Brown, Buckingham, Carr, Crawford, Davidson, Davis, Demas, Dewees, Deslonde, Faulkner, Floyd, Gaddis, Gardner, Garstkamp, Hempstead, Huston, Johnson, Kenner, Kinsella, La Saliniere, Laurent, Mahoney, Marie, Marvin, Matthews, McCarty, Moore, Morphy, Morris, Murray, Oplatek, Overton, Quinn, Raby, Riley, Ringgold, Sartain, Smith, Souer, Stamps, Stinson, Tounoir, Tureaud, Verrett, Washington (Assumption), Washington (Concordia), Waters, E. Williams, H. Williams, Yorke—55.

Nays—Baker, Barker, Broussard, Bryan, Butler, Cochrane, Darby, Ellis, P. Harper, Hyams, Killen, Llambias, H. Lott, J. B. Lott, Meadows, Moncure, Nelson, Ong, Tatman, Thompson, Young—21.

Carried.

The Committee on Ways and Means submitted the following report, which was read and adopted:

COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS, February 26, 1872.

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

Your committee beg leave to report the following bill, and recommend its passage, viz:

An act entitled an act providing for the registration and payment of State warrants and certificates of indebtedness, and creating a fund for the payment of the same; also, abolishing the redemption of the State debt fund and the free school fund, and making provisions for the State to meet its obligations to the last named fund abolished; also, prescribing a fine against the State Treasurer for a failure to perform his duties, and for other purposes.

THOMAS ONG, Chairman;
J. W. QUINN,
MORTIMER CARR,
CHARLES S. ABEL,
L. J. SOUER,
DAVID YOUNG,
C. D. TATMAN.

House bill No. 476, reported by the committee, was read a second time.

The Committee on Metropolitan Police, by consent, submitted the following report:

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

The undersigned members of the Committee on Metropolitan Police, herewith submit the following report: We have examined the books and accounts of the Board of Metropolitan Police Commissioners, and also the annual report of the board, submitted to the Governor under date of December 27, 1871. It is with great pleasure that we are enabled to state that the annual report is a correct transcript from the books and accounts, which are kept in conformity with the requirements of the act approved March 8, 1869. We find all the books and accounts are accurately and neatly kept; in short, we are of opinion that the Board of Commissioners, and the officers under them are entitled to great credit for the way in which their business is conducted.

We are pleased to be able to state that the board very cheerfully and promptly gave us every assistance in their power. Further, that a sub-committee of the Committee of Fifty-one, about the latter end of December, called upon the Board of Police Commissioners and asked to be permitted to examine the books and papers of the office, which request was cheerfully granted; and that for nearly a month a very capable and competent book-keeper and accountant was so engaged; at the end of which time, having failed to find any errors, or anything that might be complained of, he closed his labors and expressed himself well satisfied with the condition in which he found them. It will be noticed that the Committee of Fifty-one, in their printed reports, admit that they found everything correct, and properly managed; and they dismiss the subject with the simple remark that it is an expensive institution.

We turned our attention to this branch of the subject, and, from the examination that we have made, we must say we are not of that opinion.

The records of the City Hall show that before the establishment of the Metropolitan Police the cost of the police for the four districts of the city was in the neighborhood of $600,000 per annum; there was also, in addition, a large sum expended yearly for salaries, rent, repairs, furniture, contingent expenses, telegraph, stationery and printing, which did not appear as part of the police expenses.

On the other hand, the police of the city of New Orleans now includes what was formerly Jefferson City, all the way up to the lower line of Carrollton, and also Algiers. There is also charged into the account, as now kept, many things that were not formerly charged as a part of the cost of the police of the city, such as the salaries of two surgeons at $2000 a year each, who do all the work that used to be done by four city physicians at the cost of $2500 each, making a saving of $6000 a year to the city; the cost of the fire alarm telegraph, the purchase of new instruments, and all needful repairs, including the damage by storms to private buildings over which the telegraph wires pass; also the cost of keeping a steam police boat, which saves to the merchants of the city many times its cost every year, by putting a check to the extensive stealing which used to be carried on on the river and levee. Then again, before the creation of the Metropolitan Police force, it was exceedingly rare to find a policeman in the rear of Claiborne street, while now there is a force of about twenty policemen, mounted, who do duty in the rear of the city, and very valuable service they render, too, for before they were mounted the amount of stealing in the rear of the city was immense, and in consequence of the streets being so imperfectly lighted it was very rare that a policeman could catch a thief. When all these things are taken into account, we think we can safely say that, comparatively, the present police force is as cheap as any that existed here before its organization. That the present police force is by far the best that ever existed in this city, we think there can be no doubt; they are a fine body of men and well disciplined. The great cry about the cost of the police force we think arises from this cause: Before the establishment of the present police force the cost of the police was never accurately known; many of the items were covered up or concealed, as we have shown above, and what was shown was hid away in the half yearly reports of the Controller, which not one citizen in a thousand saw or knew anything about, and the money that was spent was taken out of the general tax of the city. Under the present law, the police commissioners make an estimate of the cost, one year in advance, which estimate is published for ten days in the newspapers, and the city authorities levy a separate tax for police purposes. So that with the publication in the papers, and the levying of a separate tax, everybody knows the cost of the police. We think the feature a good one. It is not so likely that the public money will be wasted where there is such publicity given, as in the matter of the police. It is much more likely to occur under the old system where things are concealed and jumbled up together.

There is no doubt but that the expense of the Metropolitan Police during the first year or two was much larger than it ought to have been, but that was caused by the large amount of litigation and the conduct of the city authorities. Neither the system nor the police board were to blame for that. Had the city authorities performed their duty as required by law, and provided the money to pay the police, as heretofore, in cash, there would have been a saving in two years of a quarter of a million of dollars, instead of which they pursued a course which led to litigation, and many thousands of dollars of law charges was added to the amount. In conclusion, we are of opinion that the present police force have attained a great proficiency, and will become more so if it is conducted as well in the future as it has been in the past. There is one thing that might be done. Let the city authorities promptly provide the cash to pay the force, so that there may be no necessity of issuing checks to the men, on which they have to suffer a heavy discount. When that is done, the police force of New Orleans, we are satisfied, will be equal in excellence to any police force in the world. We are satisfied the Board of Commissioners and those under them have performed their duties according to law, and, therefore, we have no recommendations to make to your honorable body.

Respectfully submitted.

THOMAS MURRAY, Chairman;
T. B. STAMPS,
HENRY L. POND,
L. C. LA SALINIERE,
H. MAHONEY.

Expenses of the Metropolitan Police for the fiscal years 1870 and 1871:

	Pay rolls.	General expenses.	Total.
1870.			
October	$69,243 61	$3,914 44	$73,158 05
November	66,633 30	4,306 37	70,945 67
December	63,693 35	7,218 89	70,912 24
1871.			
January	63,806 32	3,940 94	67,747 26
February	63,938 21	3,463 24	67,401 45
March	63,211 20	13,322 66	76,533 86
April	61,812 20	6,169 43	67,981 63
May	61,279 65	4,143 46	65,423 11
June	58,562 06	1,382 54	59,945 40
July	57,737 49	5,600 55	63,338 04
August	57,697 23	3,589 31	61,286 54
September	56,562 89	4,383 79	60,946 63
Total	$744,183 81	$51,442 12	$795,626 93

I certify the above statement to be a correct transcript from the records of this office.

THOMAS MURRAY, Chairman;
HENRY L. POND,
H. MAHONEY,
L. C. LA SALINIERE,
T. B. STAMPS.

Mr. Thompson, of St. Tammany, moved that further consideration of House bill No. 476 be postponed until to-morrow, and be made the special order of the day, and that it be printed.

Mr. Abel, of Bossier, moved to lay the motion on the table.

Upon which the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Moncure, of Caddo, and Thompson, of St. Tammany, with the following result:

Yeas—Abel, Adolphe, Barrett, Bentley, Bickham, Bowen, Brown, Carr, Cochrane, Crawford, Darby, Darinsburg, Davidson, Davis, Demas, Dewees, Deslonde, Durio, Faulkner, Floyd, Fontelieu, Gaddis, Gardner, P. Harper, William Harper, Hempstead, Huston, Hyams, Kinsella, La Saliniere, Mahoney, Marie, McCarty, McFarland, Moore, Morphy, Morris, Murray, Ong, Oplatek, Overton, Pond, Quinn, Riley, Sartain, Smith, Souer, Stamps, Stanton, Tounoir, Tureaud, Verrett, Washington (Assumption), Washington (Concordia), Waters, H. Williams, Yorke—56.

Nays—Antoine, Baker, Barker, Barrow, Belot, Blunt, Broussard, Bryan, Buckingham, Butler, Ellis, Garstkamp, Johnson, Killen, H. Lott, Marvin, Matthews, Meadows, Moncure, Nelson, Stinson, Tatman, Thompson—23.

Carried.

Mr. Thompson, of St. Tammany, moved to indefinitely postpone further consideration of the bill.

The Chair decided that a motion to indefinitely postpone closed debate.

Mr. Thompson, of St. Tammany, appealed from this decision, and, being seconded by Mr. Moncure, of Caddo, demanded the yeas and nays thereon, with the following result:

Yeas—Abel, Adolphe, Barrett, Barrow, Bentley, Bickham, Blunt, Bowen, Brown, Carr, Crawford, Davis, Demas, Dewees, Deslonde, Durio, Faulkner, Floyd, Gardner, P. Harper, Huston, Mahoney, Marie, McCarty, McFarland, Morphy, Morris, Ong, Pond, Quinn, Raby, Riley, Ringgold, Sartain, Smith, Tounoir, Verrett, Washington (Assumption), Washington (Concordia), Waters—40.

Nays—Baker, Barker, Broussard, Bryan, Buckingham, Butler, Cochrane, Darby, Darinsburg, Ellis, Fontelieu, Gaddis, Garstkamp, William Harper, Kenner, Killen, Kinsella, La Saliniere, Laurent, H. Lott, J. B. Lott, Matthews, Meadows, Moncure, Moore, Murray, Nelson, Oplatek, Overton, Stanton, Stinson, Thompson, E. Williams, H. Williams, Yorke—35.

And the decision of the Chair was sustained.

Upon the motion to indefinitely postpone the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Moncure, of Caddo, and Thompson, of St. Tammany, with the following result:

Yeas—Adolphe, Baker, Barker, Broussard, Bryan, Butler, Cochrane, Ellis, Fontelieu, Gaddis, Killen, H. Lott, J. B. Lott, Meadows, Moncure, Nelson, Stinson, Thompson—18.

Nays—Abel, Antoine, Barrett, Barrow, Belot, Bentley, Bickham, Blunt, Bowen, Brown, Buckingham, Crawford, Darby, Darinsburg, Davidson, Demas, Dewees, Deslonde, Durio, Faulkner, Floyd, Gardner, Garstkamp, P. Harper, William Harper, Johnson, Kenner, Kinsella, Laurent, Mahoney, Marie, Matthews, McCarty, McFarland, Moore, Morphy, Morris, Murray, Ong, Oplatek, Overton Pond, Quinn, Raby, Riley, Ringgold, Sartain, Smith, Stamps, Stanton, Tatman, Tounoir, Washington (Assumption), Washington (Concordia), Waters, H. Williams, Yorke, Young—58.

Lost.

Mr. Dewees, of De Soto, moved the adoption of the bill as a whole.

Upon which a yea and nay vote was called for by Messrs. H. Lott, of Rapides, and Moncure, of Caddo, resulting as follows:

Yeas—Abel, Barrett, Barrow, Belot, Bentley, Bickham, Blunt, Bowen, Carr, Crawford, Darinsburg, Davidson, Davis, Demas, Dewees, Deslonde, Faulkner, Floyd, Gardner, P. Harper, William Harper, Hempstead, Kinsella, La Saliniere, Laurent, Marie, Marvin, Matthews, McCarty, McFarland, Morphy, Morris, Ong, Oplatek, Overton, Pond, Quinn, Raby, Riley, Ringgold, Sartain, Smith, Stamps, Stanton, Tatman, Tounoir, Tureaud, Verrett, Washington (Assumption), Washington (Concordia), Waters, E. Williams, H. Williams, Yorke, Young—55.

Nays—Adolphe, Antoine, Barker, Broussard, Bryan, Butler, Chachere, Cochrane, Darby, Durio, Ellis, Gaddis, Garstkamp, Huston, Johnson, Kenner, Killen, Llambias, H. Lott, J. B. Lott, Mahoney, Meadows, Moncure, Nelson, Oplatek, Stinson, Thompson, E. Williams, H. Williams, Young—35.

Carried.

Mr. Dewees, of De Soto, moved to consider the bill engrossed.

The yeas and nays were called thereon by Messrs. Moncure of Caddo, and J. B. Lott, of Rapides, with the following result:

Yeas—Abel, Barrett, Barrow, Belot, Bentley, Bickham, Blunt, Bowen, Brown, Carr, Crawford, Darinsburg, Davidson, Davis, Demas, Dewees, Deslonde, Faulkner, Floyd, Gaddis, Gardner, Garstkamp, William Harper, Hempstead, Huston, Hyams, Kenner, Kinsella, La Saliniere, Laurent, H. Lott, J. B. Lott, Marie, Marvin, Matthews, McCarty, McFarland, Moore, Morphy, Morris, Murray, Ong, Oplatek, Overton, Pond, Quinn, Raby, Riley, Ringgold, Sartain, Smith, Stamps, Stanton, Tatman, Tounoir, Tureaud, Verrett, Washington (Assumption), Washington (Concordia), Waters, E. Williams, H. Williams, Yorke, Young—65.

Nays—Baker, Barker, Broussard, Bryan, Butler, Chachere, Cochrane, Darby, Durio, Ellis, Fontelieu, P. Harper, Killen, Llambias, H. Lott, J. B. Lott, Meadows, Moncure, Nelson, Stinson, Thompson—16.

Carried.

[The Speaker resumed the chair.]

Mr. Carr, of De Soto, moved a suspension of the constitutional rule so as to place the bill on its third reading and final passage, on which the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Moncure, of Caddo, and Thompson, of St. Tammany, with the following result:

Yeas—Abel, Barrett, Barrow, Belot, Bentley, Bickham, Blunt, Bowen, Carr, Chachere, Cochrane, Crawford, Darby, Darinsburg, Davidson, Davis, Demas, Dewees, Deslonde, Faulkner, Floyd, Gardner, Garstkamp, P. Harper, William Harper, Hempstead, Huston, Hyams, Kinsella, La Saliniere, Laurent, Llambias, H. Lott, J. B. Lott, Mahoney, Marie, Marvin, Matthews, McCarty, McFarland, Moore, Morphy, Morris, Murray, Ong, Oplatek, Overton, Pond, Quinn, Raby, Riley, Ringgold, Sartain, Smith, Stamps, Stanton, Tatman, Tounoir, Tureaud, Verrett, Washington (Assumption), Washington (Concordia), Waters, E. Williams, H. Williams, Yorke, Young—65.

Nays—Antoine, Baker, Barker, Broussard, Bryan, Butler, Ellis, Killen, Meadows, Moncure, Nelson, Stinson, Thompson—11.

Carried.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

The Secretary of the Senate was announced with the following message:

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

I am directed to inform you that the Senate has concurred in the following House bills:

House bill No. 35, to be entitled an act for the relief of Branstein & Bender.

House bill No. 153, to be entitled an act to appoint trustees of Vermilionville Academy, and giving them power to alienate the same.

House bill No. 217, to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Harrisonburg, in the parish of Catahoula, and fixing the boundaries of the same.

House bill No. 335, to be entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections, one, two, three, seven, and the ninth paragraph of section nine, to add a twenty-first paragraph to section nine, and to amend and re-enact sections nineteen, twenty, twenty-one and twenty-eight of the act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Monroe, to fix its boundaries, to provide for the government, and create a recorder's office for the same, approved May 4, 1871, and after the first day of January, 1873, to exempt all property, real and personal, and all persons, firms and corporations within the corporate limits of the city of Monroe from the payment of parish taxes and licenses, and to provide for the payment of costs and fees in criminal cases originating within said corporate limits.

House bill No. 377, to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Evergreen, in the parish of Avoyelles, defining the boundaries thereof, and for other purposes.

House bill No. 403, to be entitled an act to repeal section seven of an act entitled "an act to renew the corporation of the town of Farmersville, and to provide for the government of the same.

And to request concurrence in Senate bill No. 295, ratifying and confirming the charter of the New Orleans Waterworks Company, etc.

CHARLES H. MERRITT, Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a third time.

On its final passage, the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Moncure, of Caddo, and Thompson, of St. Tammany, with the following result:

Yeas—Abel, Barrett, Barrow, Belot, Bentley, Bickham, Blunt, Bowen, Brown, Carr, Cochrane, Crawford, Darinsburg, Davidson, Davis, Demas, Dewees, Deslonde, Faulkner, Floyd, Fontelieu, Gaddis, Gardner, Garstkamp, William Harper, Hempstead, Huston, Hyams, Kenner, Kinsella, La Saliniere, Laurent, H. Lott, J. B. Lott, Marie, Marvin, Matthews, McCarty, McFarland, Moore, Morphy, Morris, Ong, Oplatek, Overton, Pond, Quinn, Raby, Riley, Ringgold, Sartain, Smith, Stamps, Tatman, Tounoir, Tureaud, Verrett, Washington (Assumption), Washington (Concordia), Waters, E. Williams, H. Williams, Yorke, Young—64.

Nays—Antoine, Baker, Barker, Broussard, Bryan, Butler, Chachere, Darby, Ellis, Killen, Llambias, Meadows, Moncure, Nelson, Thompson—15.

Carried.

The bill was finally passed, its title adopted, and it was ordered to be sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Carr, of De Soto, moved to reconsider the vote on the final passage of the bill, and also moved to lay the motion to reconsider on the table.

Carried.

Mr. Kenner, of Orleans, offered the following resolution, which was read and adopted:

WHEREAS, It has pleased the Almighty to remove from our midst the Hon. George W. Ragan, Senator from the thirteenth senatorial district; be it

Resolved, That in the death of Senator G. W. Ragan we have lost a valuable public servant, and, in respect to the memory of the deceased, be it

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn until seven o'clock P. M. this day.

And the House was accordingly adjourned. WILLIAM VIGERS, Chief Clerk.

Evening Session.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Tuesday, February 27, 1872.

The House was called to order pursuant to adjournment.

Speaker Brewster in the chair.

The roll was called, and the following members answered to their names:

Speaker Brewster, and Messrs. Abel, Barker, Barrett, Barrow, Bentley, Bickham, Bowen, Broussard, Brown, Bryan, Buckingham, Carr, Chachere, Crawford, Darby, Darinsburg Davidson, Demas, Ellis, Faulkner, Floyd, Gaddis, Garstkamp, P. Harper, William Harper, Hempstead, Huston, Johnson, Kenner, Killen, La Saliniere, Laurent, H. Lott, J. B. Lott, Marie, Marvin, Matthews, McCarty, McFarland, Meadows, Moncure, Morphy, Morris, Murray, Nelson, Ong, Overton, Raby, Riley, Ringgold, Sartain, Stamps, Stanton, Stinson, Tatman, Tounoir, Tureaud, Washington (Concordia), Waters, E. Williams, H. Williams, Worrall—63.

Quorum present.

Mr. Marvin, of Catahoula, introduced the following resolution, which was read:

Resolved, That the Speaker appoint a committee of five members, and that all bills of a local nature now pending, or that may come before this House, be at once referred to said committee, and that said committee report the same back to the House for its action, on or before 2 P. M., Thursday, February 29.

Mr. Huston, of East Feliciana, moved to lay the resolution on the table.

Upon which motion Messrs. La Saliniere and McFarland, of St. Martin, called for the yeas and nays, with the following result:

Yeas—Antoine, Baker, Barker, Barrett, Barrow, Belot, Bentley, Bowen, Broussard, Bryan, Buckingham, Butler, Carr, Cochrane, Darby, Durio, Ellis, Floyd, Gaddis, Garstkamp, William Harper, Hempstead, Huston, Johnson, Kenner, Killen, La Saliniere, Laurent, H. Lott, J. B. Lott, Marie, McFarland, Meadows, Moncure, Morphy, Morris, Nelson, Ong, Oplatek, Overton, Pond, Quinn, Raby, Riley, Ringgold, Sartain, Stanton, Stinson, Tatman, Thompson, Tureaud, Verrett, Waters, E. Williams, H. Williams, Worrall, Yorke—56.

Nays—Bickham, Blunt, Brown, Chachere, Crawford, Darinsburg, Davidson, Davis, Demas, Faulkner, Gaddis, P. Harper, William Harper, Johnson, Kenner, Kinsella, Laurent, Mahoney, Marie, Matthews, McCarty, McFarland, Moore, Morphy, Morris, Murray, Ong, Oplatek, Overton Pond, Quinn, Raby, Riley, Ringgold, Sartain, Smith, Stanton, Tatman, Tounoir, Washington (Assumption), Washington (Concordia), Waters, H. Williams, Yorke, Young—58.

Lost.

Mr. Dewees, of De Soto, moved the adoption of the bill as a whole.

Upon which a yea and nay vote was called for by Messrs. H. Lott, of Rapides, and Moncure, of Caddo, resulting as follows:

Yeas—Abel, Barrett, Barrow, Belot, Bentley, Bickham, Blunt, Bowen, Carr, Crawford, Darinsburg, Davidson, Davis, Demas, Dewees, Deslonde, Faulkner, Floyd, Gardner, P. Harper, William Harper, Hempstead, Kinsella, La Saliniere, Laurent, Marie, Marvin, Matthews, McCarty, McFarland, Morphy, Morris, Ong, Oplatek, Overton, Pond, Quinn, Raby, Riley, Ringgold, Sartain, Smith, Stamps, Stanton, Tatman, Tounoir, Tureaud, Verrett, Washington (Assumption), Washington (Concordia), Waters, E. Williams, H. Williams, Yorke, Young—55.

Nays—Adolphe, Antoine, Baker, Barker, Broussard, Bryan, Butler, Chachere, Cochrane, Darby, Durio, Ellis, Gaddis, Garstkamp, Huston, Johnson, Kenner, Killen, Llambias, H. Lott, J. B. Lott, Mahoney, Meadows, Moncure, Nelson, Stinson, Thompson—23.

Carried.

[Mr. Davidson, of Livingston, was called to the chair.]

Mr. Barrett, of Orleans, moved that the further consideration of the minority report and bill reported therewith be indefinitely postponed.

Upon which the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. H. Lott and J. B. Lott, of Rapides, with the following result:

Yeas—Abel, Adolphe, Barrett, Bentley, Bickham, Blunt, Bowen, Buckingham, Carr, Crawford, Darinsburg, Davidson, Davis, Demas, Dewees, Deslonde, Faulkner, Gaddis, Gardner, Garstkamp, Hempstead, Huston, Johnson, Kenner, La Saliniere, Laurent, Marvin, Matthews, McCarty, McFarland, Moore, Morphy, Morris, Murray, Oplatek, Overton, Pond, Quinn, Raby, Riley, Ringgold, Sartain, Smith, Tounoir, Tureaud, Verrett, Washington (Assumption), Washington (Concordia), Waters, E. Williams, H. Williams, Yorke, Young—53.

Nays—Baker, Barker, Broussard, Bryan, Butler, Cochrane, Darby, Durio, Ellis, Fontelieu, P. Harper, William Harper, Hyams, Killen, Llambias, H. Lott, J. B. Lott, Meadows, Moncure, Nelson, Ong, Stinson, Tatman, Thompson—19.

Carried.

The Committee on Ways and Means submitted the following report, which was read and adopted:

COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS, February 26, 1872.

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

Your committee beg leave to report the following bill, and recommend its passage, viz:

An act entitled an act providing for the registration and payment of State warrants and certificates of indebtedness, and creating a fund for the payment of the same; also, abolishing the redemption of the State debt fund and the free school fund, and making provisions for the State to meet its obligations to the last named fund abolished; also, prescribing a fine against the State Treasurer for a failure to perform his duties, and for other purposes.

THOMAS ONG, Chairman;
J. W. QUINN,
MORTIMER CARR,
CHARLES