sert "any county;" in the last line, strike out "may" and insert "shall."

Section 7, of original bill, line 5, strike out "county judge" and insert "public cotton weigher."

Section 8, in original bill, line 3, insert "the" between the words "to" and "requirements," and add to section 8, of the original bill, the following: "Provided, nothing herein shall be construed to prohibit any individual seller of cotton from selecting anyone he may choose to weigh his cotton."

Section 10, of original bill, line 3, strike out the word "at" and insert "by."

Add to section 13, of the original bill, the following, "and he shall be entitled to 10 cents for every certified copy from his record book, to be paid by the party applying therefor."

And we suggest that the sections of this bill will be numbered consecutively from 1 to the last section.

The bill was laid before the House, and was read second time.

Pending question, Shall the committee report be adopted?

Mr. Williams moved to postpone indefinitely further consideration of the bill.

Tabled on motion of Mr. Wolters.

The committee report was adopted.

Mr. Fields offered the following amendment:

Amend section 8 by adding thereto the words, "and provided further, that any person so weighing cotton for any individual shall give bond, as required of public weighers."

Adopted.

Mr. Evans of Hunt offered the following amendment:

Reinsert section 1, as follows:

"Section 1. That the Governor is hereby authorized and required to appoint three or more competent persons as public weighers in every city which receives, or shall hereafter receive, annually over 100,000 bales of cotton, on sale or for shipment, who shall subscribe and take the oath of office prescribed by the Constitution, and execute a bond, as hereinafter provided for."

Adopted.

Mr. Harris offered the following amendment:

Amend section 2, line 20, by inserting after "State" the following words, "receiving less than 100,000 bales of cotton, as provided in the preceding section."

Adopted.

Mr. Blackburn moved the previous question, and the main question was ordered.

The bill was ordered engrossed.

Mr. Vaughan of Collin moved to reconsider the vote by which House bill No. 576 was ordered engrossed, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Randolph, the regular order of business was suspended to take up and place on its second reading.

House bill No. 199, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend title 63 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, so as to insert article 3235a, permitting the tenant to demand and require of landlord an itemized account and statement of the advances and rents due or to become due."

The bill was laid before the House, read second time and was ordered engrossed.

Mr. Randolph moved to reconsider the vote by which House bill No. 199 was ordered engrossed, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

Mr. Blair offered the following resolution:

House concurrent resolution No. 20, Resolved, by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, that the Twenty-fifth Legislative stand adjourned sine die on the 20th day of April, 1897.

The resolution was read first time, and a second reading was called for, whereupon,

Mr. Carpenter objected to a second reading.

Mr. Blair moved that the resolution be read second time.

Mr. Ayers raised the point of no quorum, and the clerk was directed to call the roll.

The roll was called, and there was not a quorum present, only sixty-seven members answering to their names, whereupon.

On motion of Mr. Carpenter, the House, at 12:37 p. m., adjourned until 9:30 o'clock next Monday.

SIXTY-THIRD DAY.

Hall House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas,
Monday, April 5, 1897.

The House met at 9:30 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment.

Speaker Dashiell in the chair.

Roll called and the following members present:
A quorum was announced present.

Prayer by Dr. J. A. Jackson, Chaplain:

Pending reading of the Journal of yesterday,

On motion of Mr. Tracy, further reading was dispensed with.

Mr. Tracy, by unanimous consent, offered the following resolution:

Whereas, on the fourth day of April, 1897, Mrs. Annie Ward, wife of the Hon. R. H. Ward of Travis county, was called by the great Lawgiver from her home and friends on earth to her everlasting home in heaven; therefore be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Texas, that we hereby tender to the bereaved husband, Hon. R. H. Ward, and his family, our heartfelt sympathies and condolence in this their sad bereavement.

Second—That this House do stand adjourned until tomorrow morning at 9, and that we attend the funeral in a body from the late residence of the deceased, corner of Seventeenth and San Antonio streets, at 5 o'clock p. m.

Third—That this resolution be spread upon the Journal, and a copy furnished the family of the deceased.

(Signed: Tracy, Robbins.)

The resolution was read second time, and adopted unanimously by a rising vote, whereupon

The Speaker, in accordance therewith, announced the House adjourned until 9 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

SIXTY-FOURTH DAY.

Hall House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas,
Tuesday, April 6, 1897.

The House met at 9 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment.

Speaker Dashiell in the chair.

Roll called and the following members present:


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