ready to answer for your action to your neighbor, to his wife and his son and his daughter; be ready to answer to your own wife and to your own children; be ready to answer to yourselves, not only in the hour of contention and excitement, and in the heat and ardor of debate, but in the silent watches of the night, when man communes with his maker, and what is infinitely, transcendently more important, be ready to answer for with a clear conscience at the judgment bar of God.

When Mr. Kittrell yielded the floor, Mr. Tucker moved to adjourn until 9:30 o'clock a. m. tomorrow, upon which motion yeas and nays were demanded by Mr. Morris, Mr. Teagle and Mr. Pitts.

The motion to adjourn prevailed by the following vote:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Yeas</th>
<th>Nays</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Adams</td>
<td>Allen of Hopkins</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Barbee</td>
<td>Barrett</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bean</td>
<td>Bolin</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Browne</td>
<td>Childers</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Childs</td>
<td>Clements</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cocke</td>
<td>Cole</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Crawford</td>
<td>Cross</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dies</td>
<td>Eckols</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Evans of Fannin</td>
<td>Frost</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Garner</td>
<td>Gill</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Goodlett</td>
<td>Gordon</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Grubbs</td>
<td>Henderson, Brazos</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Henderson, Lamar</td>
<td>Howard</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Hurley</td>
<td>Jones</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Kittrell</td>
<td>Lake</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Lillard</td>
<td>Livsey</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bailey</td>
<td>Bridgers</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Calvin</td>
<td>Culp</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ellis</td>
<td>Evans of Grayson</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Garrett</td>
<td>Goodman</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Smith of Collin</td>
<td>Rochelle</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Russell</td>
<td>Shropshire</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Teagle</td>
<td>Thomas of Fannin</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Absent</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Whereupon the House, at 9:35 p. m., adjourned until 9:30 o'clock a. m., tomorrow.

TWENTY-NINTH DAY.

Hall of the House of Representatives, Austin, Texas, Saturday, February 11, 1899.

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

Speaker Sherrill in the chair.

Roll called and the following members present:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Yeas</th>
<th>Nays</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Adams</td>
<td>Allen of Hopkins</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Barbee</td>
<td>Barrett</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bean</td>
<td>Bolin</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Browne</td>
<td>Childers</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Childs</td>
<td>Clements</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cocke</td>
<td>Cole</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Crawford</td>
<td>Cross</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dies</td>
<td>Eckols</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Evans of Fannin</td>
<td>Frost</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Garner</td>
<td>Gill</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Goodlett</td>
<td>Gordon</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Grubbs</td>
<td>Henderson, Brazos</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Henderson, Lamar</td>
<td>Howard</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Hurley</td>
<td>Jones</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Kittrell</td>
<td>Lake</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Lillard</td>
<td>Livsey</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bailey</td>
<td>Bridgers</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Calvin</td>
<td>Culp</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ellis</td>
<td>Evans of Grayson</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Garrett</td>
<td>Goodman</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Smith of Collin</td>
<td>Rochelle</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Russell</td>
<td>Shropshire</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Teagle</td>
<td>Thomas of Fannin</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Absent</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Whereupon the House, at 9:35 p. m., adjourned until 9:30 o'clock a. m., tomorrow.
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Action</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Little</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Livey</td>
<td>Absent—Excused</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Looney</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Loyd</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Marsh</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Masterson</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Maxwell</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>McAnally</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>McClellan</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>McDowell</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>McFarland</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>McKamy</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>McKellar</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Meitzen</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mercer</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Monroe</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Morris</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Morrow</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Murphy</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Murray</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Neff</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Nolan</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Oliver</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Palmer</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Parish</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Peery</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pfeuffer</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Phillips, Lampasas</td>
<td>Absent—Excused</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pitts</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Poole</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Powell</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Prince</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ratcliff</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Allen of Colorado</td>
<td>Absent—Excused</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Beaty</td>
<td>Absent—Excused</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Blount</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ayers</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bennett</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Conoly</td>
<td>Absent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mr. Beatty</td>
<td>until next Monday, on motion of Mr. Jones</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mr. Kennedy</td>
<td>until next Wednesday, on motion of Mr. Savage</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mr. Smith</td>
<td>of Grayson for today, on motion of Mr. Thomas of Wise</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mr. Willacy</td>
<td>for yesterday evening, on motion of Mr. Henderson of Lamar</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mr. Blount</td>
<td>until next Wednesday, on motion of Mr. Looney</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mr. Dorroh</td>
<td>until next Monday, on motion of Mr. Oliver</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mr. Conoly</td>
<td>indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Peery</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mr. Phillips</td>
<td>of Camp until next Monday, on motion of Mr. Poole</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mr. Ayers</td>
<td>of Colorado until next Wednesday, on motion of Mr. Looney</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mr. Monroe</td>
<td>of Colorado until next Thursday, on motion of Mr. McDowell</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mr. Staples</td>
<td>for today, on motion of Mr. Wells</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mr. Allen</td>
<td>of Colorado until next Monday, on motion of Mr. Monroe</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mr. Dean</td>
<td>until next Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Scarry</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mr. Parish</td>
<td>until next Monday, on motion of Mr. Thomas of Wise</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mr. Stripling</td>
<td>for today, on motion of Mr. Hamilton</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Henderson of Lamar:
Petition from seven hundred and seventy-four citizens of the city of Austin, asking that the city charter now pending before the State Legislature be so amended that its adoption be submitted to a vote of the qualified voters of said city.
Read, and referred to Committee on Towns and City Corporations.

By Mr. Ratcliff (by request):
Petition from colored citizens of Houston county, in mass meeting, asking for the passage of a law providing for the erection of a home for old and decrepit ex-slaves, similar to the home for ex-Confederate soldiers.
Read, and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Hamilton:
Petition of two hundred and fifty-one citizens of Shelby county, requesting the diminution of the jurisdiction of the County Court of Shelby county.
Read, and referred to Committee on Judicial Districts.

By Mr. McClellan:
Petition of seventy-one citizens of Scurry county, asking for the repeal of the absolute lease line law.
Also Petition of sixty-two citizens of Scurry county, asking that there be no land sold except to actual settlers.
Read, and referred to Committee on Public Lands and Land Office.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Mr. Lane:
House bill No. 511, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 4, Title LXVI, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, by adding an additional article to be known as Article 3327a, defining creditors, and declaring an emergency."
(Provides that "creditors as used in
Chapter 103, of the Laws of Texas, passed at the regular session of the Twenty-fifth Legislature, relating to incorporated cities and towns and school districts and districts or towns incorporated for free school purposes only."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Schuler:
House bill No. 517, A bill to be entitled "An Act granting permission to W. H. Owen to bring suit against the State of Texas in the District Court of Travis county to ascertain and determine the amount, if any, due him for allowances as quartermaster of the Frontier Battalion from the 1st day of April, 1895, to the 1st day of February, 1899, for his traveling and other contingent expenses."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Mr. Decker:
House bill No. 513, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 4218, Chapter 12a, Title LXXVII, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas, relating to sale and lease of public free school and asylum lands, so as to require applications to purchase such lands to be recorded in the counties where the land is situated."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Public Lands and Land Office.

By Mr. Wells:
House bill No. 514, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 3, Title XVII, of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, by adding thereto another article, defining and providing penalties for some other species of malicious mischief."

(Makes it a misdemeanor for any person to wilfully and maliciously cut, break or in any manner injure any saddle, bridle, halter, hitch-rein, buggy or wagon harness.)

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

By Mr. Wooten:
House bill No. 515, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Title XIV, of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, by adding thereto an additional chapter, to be called Chapter 8, Unjust Discriminations by Railroad and Express Companies, said chapter being intended to define unjust discriminations in the transportation of freight by the officers, agents, employees, lessees, trustees, receivers and other persons representing railroad and express companies, and to punish the same by confinement in the State penitentiary not less than one year nor more than three years."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

By Mr. Jones:
House bill No. 516, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sections 11 and 16, of Article 3327 of this chapter, shall be construed to mean all persons to whom the vendee, as mentioned in said Article 3327, is indebted, whether they have a lien upon any property of said vendee or not."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Mr. Tarkington:
House bill No. 512, A bill to be entitled "An Act to require the employer when sued by his employe to collect his wages, to pay such employe for all his time lost in prosecuting his suit, if the employe is successful in his suit."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

By Mr. Decker:
House bill No. 513, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 4218, Chapter 12a, Title LXXVII, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas, relating to sale and lease of public free school and asylum lands, so as to require applications to purchase such lands to be recorded in the counties where the land is situated."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Public Lands and Land Office.

By Mr. Wells:
House bill No. 514, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 3, Title XVII, of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, by adding thereto another article, defining and providing penalties for some other species of malicious mischief."

(Makes it a misdemeanor for any person to wilfully and maliciously cut, break or in any manner injure any saddle, bridle, halter, hitch-rein, buggy or wagon harness.)

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

By Mr. Wooten:
House bill No. 515, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Title XIV, of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, by adding thereto an additional chapter, to be called Chapter 8, Unjust Discriminations by Railroad and Express Companies, said chapter being intended to define unjust discriminations in the transportation of freight by the officers, agents, employees, lessees, trustees, receivers and other persons representing railroad and express companies, and to punish the same by confinement in the State penitentiary not less than one year nor more than three years."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

By Mr. Jones:
House bill No. 516, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sections 11 and 16, of Article 3327 of this chapter, shall be construed to mean all persons to whom the vendee, as mentioned in said Article 3327, is indebted, whether they have a lien upon any property of said vendee or not."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Mr. Tarkington:
House bill No. 512, A bill to be entitled "An Act to require the employer when sued by his employe to collect his wages, to pay such employe for all his time lost in prosecuting his suit, if the employe is successful in his suit."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.
the districts from assuming control of the schools therein, while the independent district exists, and to validate certain independent school districts heretofore organized."

Resolved, That the Speaker of this House shall appoint a committee of three members of the House to act in concert with a committee of two members of the Senate, the Senate concurring, to make a full and complete investigation of the work of said institution and the result of said work, which said committee shall report back to the Legislature its findings with its recommendations.

Signed—Lane, Bailey, Henderson of Lamar.

Yeas—41.

Barbee. Loyd.
Bean. Marsh.
Caldwell. McAnally.
Calvin. McClellan.
Childers. McDowell.
Childs. Morrow.
Cocke. Noff.
Cole. Ratcliff.
Collins. Robertson of Bell.
Cross. Shelburne.
Ewans of Fannin. Smith of Collin.
Gill. Sutherland.
Goodlett. Tarkington.
Gordon. Tate.
Graham. Terrell.
Henderson, Brazos. Thomas of Wise.
Howard. Thomas of Fannin.
Hurley. Tucker.
Little. Wells.
by Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Wooten offered the following substitute:

Resolved, That the House express its sincere appreciation of the courtesies and generous invitation extended by the citizens of Galveston, and hereby returns its thanks for the same, but regrets that a sense of public duty constrains us to decline to visit their city as requested.

Mr. Culp moved to table the substitute, upon which motion yeas and nays were demanded by Mr. McAnally, Mr. Childs and Mr. Childers.

Tabled by the following vote:

Yeas—53.
Bailey. Merriner.
Barrett. Monroe.
Bridgers. Murphy.
Clements. Nolan.
Crawford. Oliver.
Culp. Palmer.
Derick. Peery.
Eckols. Peery.
Ellis. Peery.
Garrett. Pitts.
Gordon. Poole.
Henderson, Brazos. Pitts.
Henderson, Lamar. Poole.
Henderson, Brazos. Robertson of Bell.
Howard. Rogers.
Jones. Rogers.
Kittrell. Scurry.
Kittrell. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
Lake. Shropshire.
February 11, 1899

HOUSE JOURNAL.

Absent.

Evans of Grayson.
Garner.
Lillard.
Looney.
McKamy.
Powell.

Absent—Excused.

Ayers.
Beaty.
Bennett.
Blount.
Chambers.
Conoly.
Dean.
Dorroh.
Morris.

“I vote ‘aye’ because I want every member of this House to exercise his judgment about it, and answer to his constituency.

“Protest.”

Question recurring on the resolution, Mr. Morrow offered the following amendment:

“Amend by adding to said resolution ‘provided, if said adjournment shall be ordered, the pay of members and officers of this House shall not be allowed for Thursday.’”

Mr. Childs offered the following substitute for both the amendment and the resolution:

“And be it resolved, That all those members, officers and employees of this House, who desire to show their patriotism by going on a ‘junketing trip’ to Galveston to see the battleship ‘Texas,’ be allowed to go, and they be excused for that purpose, but is also the will of this House that such ‘junketing’ party further show their patriotism by donating to the State their pay during such absence, and that they be not excused to go on such ‘junketing’ trip unless they forfeit their pay or per diem during such absence from the business of this House.”

After consideration by the House, Mr. Neff moved the previous question, and the main question was ordered.

Question next recurred on the amendment by Mr. Morrow, upon which yeas and nays were demanded by Mr. Smith of Collin, Mr. Childs and Mr. Phillips of Lampasas.

Lost by the following vote:

Yeas—38.

Allen of Hopkins.
Bolin.
Caldwell.
Chambers.
Childers.
Childs.
Clements.

Henderson, Lamar.
Howard.
Harley.
Lillard.
Looney.
Lloyd.
Marsh.
McAnally.
McClellan.
McNeill.

Nays—61.

Adams.
Bailey.
Barbee.
Barrett.
Bean.
Bridges.
Brown.
Collins.
Crawford.
Culp.
Decker.
Derden.
Dies.
Ellis.
Evans of Fannin.
Frost.
Garrett.
Goodlett.
Goodman.
Gordon.
Greenwood.
Grubbs.
Hamilton.
Jones.
Kennedy.
Kittrell.
Lake.
Lane.
Little.
Masterson.
Maxwell.
McDowell.
McKamy.

Absent.

Allen of Colorado.
Ayers.
Beaty.
Bennett.
Blount.
Conoly.
Dean.
Dorroh.

Calvin.
McFarland.
Evans of Grayson.
Oliver.

Absent—Excused.

Allen of Colorado.
Ayers.
Beaty.
Bennett.
Blount.
Conoly.
Dean.
Dorroh.

Question next recurred on the amendment by Mr. Morrow, upon which yeas and nays were demanded by Mr. Smith of Collin, Mr. Collins and Mr. Wells.

Lost by the following vote:
Yeas—41.
Allen of Hopkins.  Looney.
Dean.  Loyd.
Caldwell.  McFann.
Calvin.  McAnally.
Clements.  McClearian.
Coke.  Morrow.
Cole.  Neff.
Collins.  Oliver.
Culp.  Powell.
Garner.  Ratcliff.
Graham.  Sansom.
Grogan.  Schluter.
Grubbs.  Smith of Collin.
Henderson, Brazos.  Sutherland.
Henderson, Lamar.  Tate.
Howard.  Terrell.
Lake.  Thomas of Wise.
Lillard.  Tucker.
Livsey.

Nays—07.
Adams.  McKeever.
Bailey.  Meitzen.
Barbee.  Mercer.
Barrett.  Monroe.
Bolin.  Morris.
Bridgers.  Murphy.
Childers.  Peery.
Childs.  Pfeuffer.
Decker.  Pitts.
Derdan.  Prince.
Dian.  Robertson of Bell.
Ekolds.  Rochelle.
Ellis.  Rogers.
Evans of Fannin.  Russell.
Garrett.  Savage.
Gill.  Scurry.
Goodelett.  Shelby.
Goodman.  Shosharnier.
Gordon.  Stewart.
Greenwood.  Tarkington.
Hamilton.  Tarver.
Harley.  Teagler.
Jones.  Thomas of Fannin.
Kennedy.  Tompkins.
Kittrell.  Vaughn.
Lanc.  Wells.
Little.  Whelsh.
Masterson.  Willacy.
Maxwell.  Willrodt.
McDowell.  Wooten.
McFarland.  Wright.
McKamy.

Absent.

Absent—Excused.
Ayers.  Comoly.
Beaty.  Dean.
Bennett.  Dorroh.
Bount.  Parish.

Phillips of Camp.  Staples.
Robertson, Harrison.  Staples.
Shannon.  Walton.
Smith of Grayson.

"I vote 'aye,' because I want to go
and I am willing to forfeit my pay.
"FOSTER."

"I vote 'no,' because I don't think the
pay of the officers and clerks should be
cut off, when they have no voice in
the matter. If it had had been for the forfeiture of the members' pay only, I would
have voted '1.'

"ADAMS."

"I vote 'no' on proposition to cut off
pay for Thursday, because we have no
right to cut off the pay of members, officers
and employees of this House to go on
'junketing' tours, because the officers and
employees of the House have no voice in
this matter and many of the members
will not and cannot go on the proposed
excursion, and it would be wrong to de
prive them of their compensation, even
if we had the right to do so.

"CHILDs."

"We vote 'no' on the amendment, be
cause the contention of those who advo
cate the forfeiture of one day's pay dur
ing the visit to the battleship Texas, does
not appear to be in good economic faith,
for the reason that if it was they would
remit to the State the five dollars per
day they have received for Sundays, and
the forty cents per mile, mileage one
way, which they silently accepted from
the State soon after arrival here, the
railway fare being .... cents per mile.

"PITTS.

"BARBEE."

Question next recurred on the resolu
tion by Mr. Kennedy upon which yeas
and nays were demanded by Mr. Neff,
Mr. Calvin and Mr. Livsey.

(Mr. Henderson of Lamar in the
chair.)

Lost by the following vote:

Yeas—50.
Bailey.  Hamilton.
Barrett.  Jones.
Bridgers.  Kennedy.
Brownie.  Kittrell.
Crawford.  Lake.
Culp.  Lane.
Decker.  Masterson.
Ekolds.  Maxwell.
Ellis.  McFarland.
Garrett.  Meitzen.
Goodman.  Mercer.
Gordon.  Monroe.
Greenwood.  Morrise.
Grogan.  Murphy.
Grubbs.  Nolan.
February 11, 1899

**HOUSE JOURNAL.**

387

Palmer. Looney.
Peery. Little.
Pfeiffer. Ayers.
Phillips, Lampassas. Tarver.
Pitts. Teagle.
Poole. Tompkins.
Prince. Vaughan.
Rochelle. Wheelless.
Rogers. Willrodt.
Russell. Wright.

Nays—59.

Adams. Scurry.
Allen of Hopkins. Shropshire.
Barbee. Stewart.
Bean. Steward.
Bolin. McDowell.
Caldwell. McKamy.
Calvin. McKellar.
Childers. Morrow.
Childs. Murray.
Clements. Neff.
Cocke. Oliver.
Cole. Powell.
Collins. Ratcliff.
Cross. Robertson of Bell.
Deren. Sansom.
Dies. Savage.
Evans of Fannin. Schluter.
Frost. Shelburne.
Garner. Smith of Collin.
Gill. Sutherland.
Goodlett. Tarkington.
Graham. Tate.
Henderson, Brazos. Terrell.
Howard. Thomas of Fannin.
Hurley. Tucker.
Lillard. Wells.
Little. Willacy.
Livesay. Wooten.
Looney. Wooten.

**Absent.**

Evans of Grayson.
Absen—Excused.

Allen of Colorado. Dean.
Ayers. Dorroh.
Beaty. Parish.
Bennett. Phillips of Camp.
Blount. Robertson, Harrison.
Chambers. Shannon.
Conoly. Smith of Grayson.
Staples. Walton.
Stripling.

"I vote 'aye' on the resolution to visit Galveston for the following reasons:"

"First.—There is, or will be, a bill to be considered by this session of the Legislature to donate certain lands, or flats in Galveston, belonging to the State, to a certain corporation for wharf purposes, etc., and after I have seen them, I feel quite sure I would be able to vote more intelligently for or against said bill.

"Second.—I have always had a desire to see a battleship, and I don't know of one I had rather see than the one named for our Great State.

"Third.—This is the first opportunity of my life, and may be the last, to see a battleship.

"PHILLIPS of Lampassas."

"I vote 'no,' because I believe it to be unwise to adjourn the House at this time.

"McDOWELL."

"I vote 'no' on this question, because I believe it is wrong to spend the people's money in taking pleasure trips to Galveston or anywhere else.

"RATCLIFF."

"I vote 'no,' because the amendment to forfeit our pay was lost.

"Frost."

"We vote 'aye' on the adoption of Mr. Kennedy's resolution because in our opinion the failure of the Legislature to accept the invitation of the city of Galveston to be present on the occasion of the visit of the battleship 'Texas' will be regarded by our constituency as evidencing a lack of appreciation and patriotism on the part of the people of Texas, as expressed through their representatives in the Legislature, of the great services of the gallant Commodore Philip and the heroic crew of the 'Texas' and of the glorious part borne by them in the late war with Spain.

"Nor do we believe the proposed trip would have been regarded as a 'junketing tour' for the personal pleasure of the Legislature, but that such visit would have been regarded by them as the carrying out of a noble and patriotic duty, and would have been commended by them as such.

"We are firm in the conviction that the refusal of the Legislature to officially and courteously accept the invitation of the citizens of Galveston would reflect no credit upon this body or upon the people of the State.

"It is generally conceded by members of the House that a large portion of the membership intend going to Galveston, and that there is a probability, amounting almost to a certainty, that a quorum of the House will not be present on Wednesday and Thursday. For these reasons we believe the resolution should have been adopted, and the invitation officially accepted.

"JONES."

"BRIDGERS."

"I voted 'no' on all the propositions for an adjournment to visit the battleship Texas at Galveston, because my
time belongs to the State, and I have no right to appropriate the same in other ways than to legislative work.

"McANALLY."

Mr. Culp called for a verification of the vote.
The list of those voting "yeas" was called and the roll corrected.
The list of those voting "nay" was called and the roll corrected.

(Speaker in the Chair.)
The Speaker announced that the verification had not changed the result, and that the resolution was lost.

By Mr. Murray:
Whereas, It is with profound sorrow that the members of this House learn of the death of any of the illustrious men who helped to make the early history of Texas, a history every page of which is set with bright and sparkling jewels of self-sacrifices, honest and earnest devotion to their country, and their country's cause—history that is to us stranger than fiction, but every page precious to the minds and memory of every son of the Empire State; therefore, be it
Resolved, That it is with profound sorrow that we learn of the death of the Hon. John R. King, who departed this life on the 17th day of May, 1898.
Mr. King came to Texas in 1837, landing in the historic town of Gonzales on the 6th day of October, 1837, and from that day forward took active part in many of the soul-stirring events of the day that followed each other in rapid succession, never failing, but ever ready to be, and to do, what duty demanded. He served in the Sixth, Eighteenth and Nineteenth Legislatures with honor to himself and people. He was a man of sterling worth, honored and loved by all who knew him; therefore, be it further
Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the sympathies of this body be and are hereby tendered to the family of the deceased, and that a page of the House Journal be appropriately inscribed to his memory.

Read second time and adopted.

By Mr. Thomas of Pannin:
Whereas, Madame Candelaria Villa Nueva, the last survivor of the most heroic struggle in the annals of history, the battle of the Alamo, departed this life yesterday at her home in San Antonio; therefore, be it
Resolved, That when the House adjourns today it shall adjourn in honor of her memory, and as a tribute to a life spent in unselfish charity in kindly ministering to our afflicted heroes in the dark days of the war for independence.

Read second time and adopted.

By Mr. Schluter:
Resolved, That the commander of the battleship Texas be and he is hereby requested to get permission from the Federal authorities to hold the said battleship Texas at Galveston until Sunday, the 19th inst., and during that day, in order that the members of this House may have an opportunity of visiting said battleship without any adjournment of the House for that purpose.

Read second time and adopted.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1899.
Hon. J. S. Sherrill, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred
A petition from the doctors of Kaufman county,

Have given the same due consideration, and I am instructed to return it to the calendar to be filed for future reference.

WOOTEN, Chairman.

MINORITY REPORT.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, Feb. 3, 1899.
Hon. J. S. Sherrill, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: We, a minority of Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred
House bill No. 268, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 12, of Title XXVII, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1895, by creating an additional supreme judicial district, to be known as Supreme Judicial District No. 6, to establish a court of civil appeals therein, and to provide for its location, and to provide the counties from whence the appeals should be returnable by said court,"

Do not concur in the report of the majority, and ask leave to recommend that the bill do pass.

DIES, Chairman.

The above minority report should have appeared in the Journal of February 4, accompanying the majority report on House bill No. 268, but failed to reach the Journal.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1899.
Hon. J. S. Sherrill, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred
House bill No. 400, A bill to be entitled
“An Act granting permission to B. F. Gohlsen and J. W. Benson, or their assigns, to bring suit against the State of Texas in the District Court of Lampasas county, to ascertain the amount, if any, due them for services rendered the State as rangers or soldiers,”

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass, with the following amendments:

“Amend caption by striking out the words ‘Lampasas county’ and insert in lieu thereof the words ‘Travis county.’”

“Amend also by striking out, in Section 1, the words ‘Lampasas county’ and insert in lieu thereof the words ‘Travis county.’”

WOOTEN, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1899.
Hon. J. S. Sherrill, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred House bill No. 392, A bill to be entitled “An Act to amend Article 3189, of the Revised Statutes, relating to the payment of jury fees,”

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

WOOTEN, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1899.
Hon. J. S. Sherrill, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred House bill No. 36, A bill to be entitled “An Act to amend Article 3189, of the Revised Statutes, relating to the payment of jury fees,”

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

WOOTEN, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1899.
Hon. J. S. Sherrill, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred House bill No. 36, A bill to be entitled “An Act to amend Article 3189, of the Revised Statutes, relating to the payment of jury fees,”

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

WOOTEN, Chairman.
ion of said court, all contracts, debt claims, rights, titles, interests and causes of action which were made or arose or accrued prior to such subsequent decision or opinion, shall not be effected thereby, but shall be governed, construed and enforced in accordance with prior decision or opinion."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

WOOTEN, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 8, 1899.
Hon. J. S. Sherrill, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred House bill No. 291, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3144, Chapter 10, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1895, relating to the hiring of a private residence at night," have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

WOOTEN, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 8, 1899.
Hon. J. S. Sherrill, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred House bill No. 370, A bill to be entitled "An Act to diminish the civil and criminal jurisdiction of the County Court of San Saba county; to conform the jurisdiction of the district court thereto, and to repeal all laws in conflict herewith."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

COCKE, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 8, 1899.
Hon. J. S. Sherrill, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred House bill No. 333, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 6, Title XVII, of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, by adding thereto Articles 839a and 845a, defining and punishing the crime of burglary of a private residence at night."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

COCKE, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 8, 1899.
Hon. J. S. Sherrill, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred House bill No. 336, A bill to be entitled "An Act to suppress the running of pool rooms and sale of pool tickets in this State, defining the offense, and affixing a penalty therefor."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

COCKE, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1899.
Hon. J. S. Sherrill, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred House bill No. 904b, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 13, of Title XVII, of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, by adding thereto articles to be known as Articles 904a and 904b, to prevent the changing or altering of the wool brand on sheep and defining the term wool brand."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

COCKE, Acting Chairman.
county convicts, and to increase the credits to such convicts on fines and costs for labor performed."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

COCKE, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1899.
Hon. J. S. Sherrill, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred House bill No. 324, A bill to be entitled "An Act requiring the cancellation of all mortgages or other liens upon real or personal property, which by law are required to be recorded or registered, when and after said mortgage or lien has been paid off and satisfied, and making it a misdemeanor to violate the provisions of this act, and prescribing a penalty therefor."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

COCKE, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1899.
Hon. J. S. Sherrill, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred House bill No. 290, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize and require the county commissioners courts of counties of this State to cause to be printed and distributed all election tickets to be voted in elections to be held in this State at the expense of their respective counties, and to forbid the printing and use of election tickets except those printed under the direction of the commissioners court; and provide penalties therefor."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it be returned to the calendar and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

COCKE, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1899.
Hon. J. S. Sherrill, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred House bill No. 248, A bill to be entitled "An Act to punish members of commissioners courts for failing and refusing to comply with requirements of law, and for misapplying funds of the county and for making contracts not authorized by law; prescribing the duty of district and county attorneys in such cases, and providing for the application of this act to other county officers and to the officers of cities and towns in this State,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

COCKE, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1899.
Hon. J. S. Sherrill, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred House bill No. 272, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prevent railroad corporations and others acting with them from occupation, use or from leasing or renting any of the right of way or real estate of such corporation for any purpose other than that which may be necessary for the construction and use of their railway and stations, and other accommodations necessary to accomplish the objects of their incorporation and to provide penalties."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

COCKE, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1899.
Hon. J. S. Sherrill, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred House bill No. 332, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prevent railway trains from obstructing public roads, streets and highways, by providing a penalty therefor."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

COCKE, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 8, 1899.
Hon. J. S. Sherrill, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Public Lands and Land Office, to whom was referred House bill No. 298, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the sale of all lands heretofore or hereafter conveyed
and set apart for the benefit of the free school and the several asylums, and to lease such lands and to provide for the patent of said lands within certain districts, and to specify and describe such districts, and to prevent the free use and occupancy of such lands?"

Have had the same under consideration, and have prepared the accompanying substitute, and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that the substitute do pass in lieu thereof.

WRIGHT, Chairman.

MAJORITY REPORT.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1899.
Hon. J. S. Sherrill, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Public Lands and Land Office, to whom was referred
House bill No. 36, A bill to be entitled "An Act to set apart and appropriate to the common school fund of the State of Texas, all of the lands heretofore or hereafter recovered from railway companies or other persons, firms or corporations, and to provide for the disposition of the same."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

WRIGHT, Chairman.

MINORITY REPORT.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1899.
Hon. J. S. Sherrill, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: We, a minority of your Committee on Public Lands and Land Office, to whom was referred
House bill No. 36, A bill to be entitled "An Act to set apart and appropriate to the common school fund of the State of Texas, all of the lands heretofore or hereafter recovered from railway companies or other persons, firms or corporations, and to provide for the disposition of the same,"

Have had the same under due consideration, and do not concur in the report of the majority, but ask leave to recommend that it do not pass, for the reason that Section 4, of the bill seeks to validate the titles of the purchasers of these lands, and nowhere seeks to provide for the protection of another equally, if not more, deserving class, to wit, those holding the lands as homesteaders.

DECKER.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1899.
Hon. J. S. Sherrill, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Public Health and Vital Statistics, to whom was referred
House bill No. 143, A bill to be entitled "An Act to establish a State Board of Embalming, to provide for the better protection of health and life, to prevent the spread of contagious diseases, and to regulate the practice of and disposition of the dead."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

OLIVER, Chairman.
or any preparation of opium containing ten per cent. or more of such drug, to any person or persons known or reported to be a habitual user of such drug, except upon the written prescription of a reputable physician."

OLIVER, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 8, 1899.

Hon. J. S. Sherrill, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Federal Relations, to whom was referred House Concurrent Resolution No. 17, Relating to limiting the tenure of the Federal Judiciary to a period not exceeding ten years, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it be adopted.

ALLEN of Hopkins, Chairman.

BILLS WITHDRAWN.

House bill No. 420, on request of Mr. Wooten.

House bill No. 491 (for correction), on request of Mr. Savage.

BILL RE-COMMITTED.

House bill No. 447, to the Committee on County Government and County Finances, on motion of Mr. Robertson of Bell.

Mr. Wooten moved to re-commit to the Committee on Revenue and Taxation, House bill No. 181, relating to taxes on certain gins.

After consideration of the question, Mr. Collins moved the previous question and it was not seconded.

After further consideration by the House, Mr. Garner moved the previous question and the main question was ordered.

The motion to re-commit was lost.

Mr. Maxwell moved to adjourn until 2:30 p.m. today, and the motion was lost.

Mr. Caldwell moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up and place on its second reading, house bill No. 223, the Austin City Charter, pending which Mr. Ratcliff moved to adjourn until 9:30 a.m. next Monday.

Mr. Tarkington moved to adjourn until 10 a.m. next Monday.

Lost.

The motion of Mr. Ratcliff prevailed, and the House, at 12:19 p.m., adjourned accordingly.

THIRTIETH DAY.

Hall of the House of Representatives.
Austin, Texas, Monday, February 13, 1899.

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

Speaker Sherrill in the chair.

Roll called, and the following members present: