HALL OF HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, DES MOINES, IOWA, Thursday, March 22, 1894.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Speaker Stone in the chair.

Prayer offered by Rev. Joseph Boyd.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The pending bill, House file No. 45, was then taken up.

Mr. Blanchard called to the chair at 10 A. M.

At 10:30 the Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Allen moved the previous question.

Carried.

Mr. Sawyer moved to reconsider the vote by which the previous question was adopted.

Carried.

The motion of Mr. Allen was lost.

Mr. Watkins moved that the rule be suspended, and the bill be considered engrossed and read a third time now which motion prevailed, and the bill was read a third time.

Mr. Wyckoff in the chair.

On the question, "Shall the bill pass?" the yeas were:

Messrs. Allen, Bitterman, Blanchard, Brinton, Britt, Brooks, Byers, Carter, Chapman, Coonley, Cooper of Montgomery, Crow, Davis, Davison, Doubleday, Dowell, Early, Finch, Funk, Griswold, Harriman, Haugen, Hinman, Horton, Jester, McNeeley, McQuinn, Miller of Cherokee, Miller of Lee, Milliman, Mitchell, Moore, Morris of Clarke, Nicoll, Reed, Saberson, Sawyer, Sessions, Spaulding, Spearman, St. John, Stuntz, Watkins, Watters, Weaver, Williams of Fremont, Williams of Howard, Wood, Young of Calhoun, Young of Delaware, Mr. Speaker—51.

The nays were:

Messrs. Barker, Bell, Burnquist, Chassell, Cornwall, Diederich, Doane, Ellison, Endicott, Frazee, Gurley, Haselton, Homrighaus, Hoover, Jay, Jones, Klemme, Lauder, Linderman, McCann, McGonigle, Morris of Sioux, Morrison, Murray, Myerly, Nietert, Patterson,

Pattison, Ranck, Robinson, Rogge, Root, Ross, Schultz, Shriver Smith, Snoke, Steen, Stillmunkes, Stone, Taylor, Trewin, Wilken, Wilson—44.

Absent or not voting:

Messrs. Cooper of Pottawattamie, Martin, Sowers, Stephens, Van Gilder-5.

So the bill passed and the title was agreed to.

The following explanations were handed in:

MR. Speaker—I vote aye on this question notwithstanding I entertain some doubts of its constitutionality, but question the consistency of a system of laws which makes woman eligible to an office, but ineligible to cast a vote for a candidate for that same office.

P. A. SAWYER.

MR. SPEAKER—I wish to explain my vote. I would be in favor of granting to women possessing the requisite qualification, the right to vote in school elections, when I was satisfied that they desired it, if I believed it constitutional. Not believing the bill constitutional, I vote no.

A. ST. CLAIR SMITH.

I have always been taught and Scripture says, God first made man and afterwards he took a rib out of the man's side, out of which he made a woman. Now it seems to me a disgrace and an injustice to let that *rib* control or dictate to men in any way, shape or form whatsoever in regard to the law making power in this State. Therefore, I vote no.

P. STILLMUNKES.

I vote no solely for the reason that the bill is unconstitutional.

W. W. CORNWALL.

Speaker Stone in the chair.

Mr. Chassell offered the following:

Resolved, That all bills on the calendar be called up for consideration in their order, and that all calendar numbers passed go to the foot of the calendar unless otherwise ordered by a two-thirds majority, and that all speeches be limited to five minutes.

Laid over under the rules.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Spaulding, House file No. 623, a bill for an act to legalize the acts of the Zion's Church of the Evangelical Association in Charles City, Floyd county, Iowa, and its board of trustees.

Read first and second times and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Robinson, by request, House file No. 624, a bill for an act to require telephone companies to maintain instruments at certain points along their lines.

Read first and second times and referred to Committee on Telegraph, Telephones and Express.

()n motion of Mr. Doane, Senate file No. 348, a bill for an act to