

THE LEGISLATURE'S WORK.

The Important Bills Defeated and the New Laws Enacted.
(Indianapolis Journal.)

During the regular and special sessions of the Legislature there were 948 bills introduced, and of this number 150 were passed. There were only two acts vetoed by the Governor—the militia bill and Senator L. M. Campbell's bill providing that persons having claims against the State might bring suit in the Supreme Court. Both measures were vetoed by the Governor for the reason that he believed they contained unconstitutional provisions. Among the important bills which were defeated were the act creating an Appellate Court; Mr. Foule's bill requiring that the effects of alcoholic stimulants and narcotics should be taught in the public schools; Mr. McMullen's, requiring foreign fire insurance companies to pay losses within sixty days; several bills reducing the emoluments of the Supreme Court Reporter; Mr. Mosier's and Mr. Best's fee and salary bills; Mr. Lindsey's, exempting homesteads and personal property from execution; Mr. Jameson's, regulating the business of banking; Mr. Engle's, prohibiting the giving of passes by railroads to judicial and legislative officers; Mr. Sayre's, reducing the number of members of the Legislature; Mr. Foule's, relating to a State civil service system; Mr. Foule's, removing the legal disabilities of married women; Mr. Bailey's, prohibiting the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine. The joint resolutions for the amendment of the Constitution which were adopted were Representative Krueger's, fixing the terms of county officers at four years, and making them ineligible to re-election; and the resolution striking from the constitution the word "white" wherever it appears. The bills enacted and signed by the Governor number 148, and are as follows:

Appropriating from the general fund for the salaries and expenses of State officers and deputies, Supreme Court judges and officers, circuit judges, prosecuting attorneys, executive and administrative departments, the various State institutions, payment of interest on bonds, etc., and for the education of the sons and daughters of Indiana soldiers who fell at Gettysburg.

Providing that in cities of less than 10,000 inhabitants the county auditor and treasurer shall levy and collect the city taxes, and turn them over to the proper city officers.

Regulating the practice of medicine, surgery, and obstetrics, and providing for the issuing of licenses to practice by the county clerk.

Legalizing certain records in the offices of county recorder.

Appropriating \$2,500 to pay on lightning-rod claim of David R. Munson.

Amending an act creating and defining the Twenty-first, Twenty-second, and Forty-seventh judicial circuits, and fixing the length of term and time of holding the courts therein, and providing for the appointment of a judge of the Forty-seventh circuit; for the appointment of prosecuting attorneys for the Twenty-first and Twenty-second circuits, and declaring an emergency.

Providing a means of keeping in repair certain gravel roads, pursuant to an act of March 8, 1865.

Amending section 2455 of the Revised Statutes of 1881, providing that appeal bond shall be filed in less than ten days after the decision is made, until the same is set aside for good cause shown, shall direct it to be filed within one year.

Relieving Calvin J. Jackson, of Hancock County, who lost \$1,999.70 State money by the failure of the Indiana Banking Company.

Distributing undistributed money in the Treasury of the town of Clinton, Vermillion County.

Amending section 318 of the statutes of 1881, so that in certain civil cases where the defendant is to be sued, a notice of the date and nature of suit shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation.

Concerning gravel and macadamized roads.

Incorporating the town of Washington, Wayne County.

Relieving Jess A. Avery, Cornelius B. Wodsworth, Wm. B. Flick, Wm. H. Speer, Robert N. Hardin, Israel J. Connor, Joseph L. Hunnicut, Thomas W. Janaway, Christ Gruber, and Harvey R. Matthews, Trustees of the several townships of Marion County, of the responsibility for various sums of township money lost by the failure of banks.

Concerning the election, compensation, and duties of the Attorney General of the State.

Appropriating \$10,000 for the relief of Mrs. Sarah J. May.

Legalizing the incorporation of the town of Lincoln, Harrison County.

Fixing the time for holding court in the Tenth judicial circuit.

Amending section 3333 of the Revised Statutes of 1881, concerning the incorporation of towns.

Legalizing certain assessments for the construction of the Bluffton and Bedford and Bluffton and Warren gravel roads.

Legalizing certain and official acts of the Board of Trustees of the town of Rockport.

Legalizing the incorporation and elections of the town of Owensville, Gibson County.

Appropriating \$60,000 to pay the expenses of the extra session of the present Legislature.

Amending section 2108 of the Revised Statutes of 1881, so as to outlaw the English sarrow.

Reorganizing the Soldiers' Orphans' Home and Hospital—Reorganizing Clinton, and providing that three trustees, one of them a woman and the others honorably discharged Union soldiers, shall be appointed by the Governor as a board of management.

Legalizing contracts and proceedings of the Board of Trustees of the town of Brownstown.

Legalizing acts of the town of Cannelton.

Regulating the term of office of county commissioners.

Requiring the full monthly payment of employees engaged in manual or mechanical labor, and making the claims of such employees pre-ferred claims.

Authorizing the appointment of short-hand reporters for courts of record in counties with 10,000 or more inhabitants, and fixing the compensation at not more than \$5 for each day actually worked.

Prohibiting gambling on fair grounds.

Prohibiting Sunday base-ball playing where any fee is charged, and prescribing a fine of not more than \$25 for violation.

Prohibiting forced contributions of money or property from employees by corporations or their officers.

Amending sections 1, 2 and 3 of an act entitled "An act to create the Forty-third judicial district, and to provide for holding terms of court in the Fourteenth, Fifteenth and Forty-third circuits."

Authorizing county commissioners to make suitable provision from the county treasury for the education of pauper children.

Defining the Tenth, Twelfth and Forty-ninth judicial districts, fixing the times and terms of court, and providing for the appointment of a Judge and two prosecuting attorneys.

Levying a tax and authorizing a loan of \$500,000 for the completion of the new State House.

Legalizing the incorporation and acts of the town of Ligonier, Noble County.

Legalizing certain acts of the Common Council of Lawrenceburg.

Permitting amendment of pleadings before justice courts, before or during trial; a proof will not thereby be required by the opposing party.

Appropriating \$465 to pay the claim of John D. Works, Gustave Hushleiner, and the heirs of George B. Sleeth.

Defining the Twenty-fifth judicial circuit, creating the Forty-sixth, fixing time of courts and providing for the appointment of a judge for the Twenty-fifth, and a prosecuting attorney for the Twenty-fifth.

Legalizing certain sales of real estate by commissioners in proceedings by an executor or an administrator to sell such real estate.

Authorizing a temporary loan of \$500,000 and making provision for funding the outstanding loan at a lower rate of interest.

Abolishing offices of city treasurer and city assessor in cities of over 70,000 people, and providing for the discharge of their duties by the county treasurer and township assessor, respectively.

Legalizing the incorporation of the town of Alamo, Montgomery County.

Legalizing the incorporation of the town of New Haven, Allen County.

Providing for the incorporation of fish ladders, defining misdemeanors and providing penalties.

Making the State Board of Health consist of five members instead of four, and providing for the election of a Secretary of the Board, who shall serve two years.

Legalizing the construction of the Daniel Heath free gravel road.

Authorizing municipal corporations to purchase and hold real estate for sanitary purposes, and legalizing purchases heretofore made.

Fixing time of holding courts in Thirty-fourth Judicial Circuit and repealing laws in conflict.

Amending section 5206 of the Revised Statutes of 1881, so that claims not exceeding \$20 for work performed at any time within the previous six months by laboring men or mechanics, shall be treated as preferred debts against any corporation or person failing, assailing or having his name suspended by creditors.

Prohibiting a state tax on property worth less than \$33 on the hundred dollars in counties having a voting population of more than 25,000.

Prohibiting the buying and selling of votes, and prescribing penalties of disfranchisement and ineligibility to office.

To reportion the Congressional districts.

Fixing the time of holding circuit courts in the Fourth judicial circuit.

Concerning the building of bridges across boundary streams between counties.

Appropriating \$30,000 to the Indiana University.

Reapportioning the State for legislative purposes.

Providing an amendment to Section 2 of the Constitution, so that no county officer except Surveyor shall be eligible to a re-election for the term of four years immediately succeeding a term already served by him.

Authorizing county commissioners in certain cases to construct free turnpikes instead of free bridges built, and authorizing boards to pay for bridges within the corporate limits of towns and cities.

Preventing the spread of Canadian thistles.

Providing for the reading in open court of the full record of each day's proceedings in the circuit court.

Fixing time of holding court in the Thirty-fifth judicial circuit.

Validating acknowledgments taken before officers whose commissions had theretofore expired.

Extending for thirty years mining corporations existing before the State Constitution took effect.

Legalizing continuances of terms of courts before and after this time, beyond the expiration of the time fixed by law, where trials may be in progress at the time of such expiration.

Giving powers concerning libraries in certain cities, formerly held by town trustees, to common councils, after such towns may have become cities.

Legalizing certain acts of the Brown county commissioners.

Fixing time of holding and length of terms of courts in Twenty-fifth, Twenty-eighth, Forty-sixth, and Second judicial circuits.

Legalizing certain sales of real estate made without appraisements by majority votes of common councils of incorporated cities.

Appropriating \$600,000 for the completion of the three new asylums for the insane.

Creating the Forty-eighth judicial circuit and fixing the time of holding court in the Twenty-sixth, Twenty-eighth and Forty-ninth circuits.

Granting certain rights and franchises to the Union Railway Company of Indianapolis.

Concerning drainage, repealing certain laws, prohibiting the obstruction of drains, etc.

Increasing the bond of the State Treasurer to \$700,000.

Appropriating \$125,000 to defray the expenses of the regular session of the General Assembly.

Appropriating \$4,000 to repair that portion of the Asylum for the Insane damaged by fire.

Allowing aliens from holding titles to real estate in Indiana.

Providing for the removal of obstructions from highways.

Legalizing the incorporation of the town of Bourbon, Marshall county.

Fixing the time of holding courts in the Thirteenth judicial circuit.

Legalizing the incorporation of the town of Aragon, Benton county.

Appropriating \$1,900 to maintain the Indiana exhibit at New Orleans.

Legalizing the incorporation of the Union Loan and Savings Company of Marion county.

Authorizing the levying of a township tax of 1 per cent. to support libraries.

Changing the time of holding courts in the Forty-third, Fourteenth, and Fifteenth judicial circuits.

Legalizing acts of notaries public whose commissions had expired.

Appropriating \$25,901.64 to pay W. B. Burford for public printing.

Appropriating \$1,013 for the payment of a claim of Carlon & Hollenbeck.

Legalizing the appointment and acts of trustees in certain cases.

Appropriating \$1,900 to Purdue University for the years 1883 and 1884.

Amending the act incorporating the town of Vermont, Jennings county.

Appropriating \$6,800 for the erection of a new building at the Reform School for Boys.

Regulating the business of building, loan fund, and savings associations.

Providing means for securing the health and safety of persons employed in coal mines, prescribing penalties for violations, and repealing all conflicting laws.

Empowering voluntary associations incorporated under the laws of the State for establishing homes for aged females, to receive into such homes aged men also.

Providing that interest on county bonds may be paid annually or semi-annually.

Prohibiting the importation of foreign contraband.

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