

Absent or not voting—

Messrs. Arnold, Bell, Bundy, Butler, Conner, Day, Dudley, Dunne, Durham, Faville, Green, Harper, Lee, McCoun, Miles of Wayne, Murdock, Newbold, Pratt, Rogers, Satterthwaite, Snow, Swan, Warner, Wasson—24.

So the bill passed and the title was agreed to.

Leave of absence was granted Frank Swan, a messenger boy, on account of sickness.

Senate file No. 111, a bill for an act to amend section 40 of chapter 138 of the acts of the Twelfth General Assembly, to regulate insurance companies. Read a first and second time and referred to Committee on Incorporation.

Mr. Miles, of Washington, offered the following resolutions which were adopted:

WHEREAS, Intelligence has been received by this House of the death of the Hon. Abijah Conner, representative elect from the twenty-sixth district; therefore

*Resolved by the House of Representatives,* That with deep sorrow we deplore the event that has deprived this General Assembly of a wise counsellor and a noble, earnest, and talented representative.

*Resolved,* That we deeply sympathize with the widow and family of our deceased brother in their great affliction, and hope that their wounded hearts may be soothed by the consolations of Him who doeth all things well."

*Resolved,* That these resolutions be published in the *Iowa State Register*, the *Des Moines Bulletin*, the *Washington Press* and the *Washington Gazette*, and that the Secretary of State be instructed to forward a copy thereof to the widow of the deceased.

*Resolved,* That these resolutions be transmitted to the Senate.

*Resolved,* That as a token of respect to deceased this House do now adjourn.

Mr. Miles, of Washington, made the following remarks in support of the motion to adopt the resolutions:

MR. SPEAKER:—In rising to move the adoption of these resolutions, the painful duty seems to devolve on me to say a few words in relation to him to whom they refer, and to the sad event that has brought mourning to the hearts of a family, that has taken from the church one of its most gifted ministers, and has deprived this General Assembly of one who would have been one of its most able and useful members.

It has been but a few days since official intelligence was received from the Senate that one of its members had been stricken down, and we here spent a sad hour in contemplation of that dispensation of Providence which had sorrowed our hearts. Now, if possible, the Destroyer has come *nearer* to us. One of our own number has gone. Often have I been asked during the session, when I expected my colleague