

Mr. Wilcox moved that the rules be suspended and that the bill be put upon its immediate passage,

Which motion did not prevail, the vote being as follows:

## YEAS.

Mr. Bastone	Mr. Fleshiem	Mr. Milnes	Mr. Stevens	
Benson	Holcomb	Sharp	Wilcox	
Brown	Horton	Smith	Wisner	
Crocker	McCormick			14

## NAYS.

Mr. Beers	Mr. Miller	Mr. Prindle	Mr. Weiss	
Boughner	Morse	Sabin	Wheeler	
Doran	Mugford	Taylor	Wilkinson	
Garvelink	Park	Toan	Withington	
Gilbert	Porter			18

The bill was then read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on federal relations.

On motion of Mr. Park,  
The Senate adjourned.



*Lansing, Thursday, January 15, 1891.*

The Senate met and was called to order by the President.

Religious exercises by Rev. H. M. Morey of Ypsilanti.

Roll called: a quorum present.

Mr. Wilkinson made request that the petition heretofore presented by him, asking for the setting off of the islands of North and South Manitou from the county of Manitou, and the annexing of said islands to the county of Leelanaw, be spread upon the Journal.

Such request was granted.

The petition is as follows:

We, the undersigned residents of the North and South Manitou Islands, do hereby petition the Legislature of the State of Michigan to set off the said islands from Manitou county, and annex them to Leelanaw county.

Sixty miles of open sea separates us from the county seat at Beaver Island, which makes it impossible for about nine months in the year to reach the county seat for any business.

The right of suffrage is the pride and boast of the American heart. The right does not exist, and if it did we could not exercise it because of the great inconvenience. Our voice in town, county, State, and National affairs has never yet been heard, however important they may be to us. Our tax-rolls are made up and the collector comes and gathers the taxes, assessing an extra burden of seventy-five or a hundred dollars for the privilege, yet we have never been represented in county matters, nor does a cent ever find its way back for either school or township purposes. If

we have any schools they are maintained by subscription. We can get no licensed teachers because of the inconvenience of getting a certificate. The burden of taxation comes, but gives in return none of those transcendent privileges and protection to which we should be entitled and of right ought to have.

We have no means of enforcing our rights by judicial procedure, because of the great distance and costs to obtain relief.

The islands are situated about twelve miles north of Leelanaw County, and about fourteen miles from the county seat, which makes it an easy matter to go and come in a day. A township organization could be effected, and all political business done with the county of Leelanaw.

To the end, therefore that the said islands be set over and annexed to Leelanaw county, we most respectfully submit this petition for the kind consideration of the Legislature of Michigan, hoping it may receive favor at your hands and grant us the relief sought and so much needed.

Thos. J. Foster,	Willi West,
C. S. Mercer,	Peter Wendling,
T. J. Armstrong,	Georg Hutzler,
C. Hutzler,	Albert Beck,
C. Ankerson,	Thomas Thompson,
B. G. Johnson,	Nelson Knudser,
W. R. Ebank,	Christ. Beck,
August Beck,	Alfred Armstrong,
Theodore Beck,	Willie Buckler,
William Kitchen,	A. R. Mercer,
P. Illana,	Andrew Enxon,
Thomas Kitchen,	Wm. S. Armstrong.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The committee on finance and appropriations submitted the following report:

The committee on finance and appropriations to whom was referred the subject of mileage for the members, officers and employés of the Senate respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to report to the Senate the following schedule, recommending that mileage be allowed as specified therein:

	Miles.		Miles.
Lt. Governor Strong	220	Mr. Mugford	346
Mr. Bastone	214	Park	174
Benson	124	Porter	190
Beers	322	Prindle	254
Boughner	170	Sabin	202
Brown	124	Sharp	660
Crocker	214	Smith	174
Doran	130	Stevens	1403
Fleshier	1050	Taylor	144
Garvelink	188	Toan	60
Gilbert	230	Weiss	174
Holcomb	424	Wheeler	389
Horton	228	Wilcox	64
McCormick	180	Wilkinson	446
Miller	34	Withington	78
Milnes	164	Wisner	136
Morse	450		