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Messrs. Aanenson, Alford, Benolken, Bosworth, Galt, Hemstead, Hinton, Miller, Norman, Rapp, Schutz, Sikorski, Stites, Wallace and Wilcox were excused. Quorum present.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding day, when, on motion of Mr. Kelly, the further reading was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker laid before the House the following message from the Governor of the State:

*Hon. M. J. Dowling, Speaker of House of Representatives:*

SIR: I have the honor to inform you that I herewith return without my approval, House File 285, entitled:

"A bill for an act amending chapter 169 of the General Laws of 1889, as amended by chapter 157 of the General Laws of 1899, being an act to establish a uniform system of accounting for public funds in the educational, charitable, penal and correctional institutes of the state, and to appropriate miscellaneous receipts for the use of said institutions."

My reasons for withholding my approval of the same are that the Board of Control bill just passed by both branches provides specifically for a system of accounting in the management of institutions coming under the supervision of said board. The bill under consideration provides for the immediate adoption of a system at each institution inconsistent with the provisions contained in the Board of Control bill. In view of the fact that the Board of Control assumes its duties under the law on the first day of August next, it would seem inadvisable to adopt at this time at the various institutions the system provided for in the bill under consideration. The system of accounting now in vogue at the state institutions is reasonably satisfactory; and in my judgment it would be unwise to adopt the system provided for by the bill under consideration, which system must be superseded in a short time by the system provided for by the Board of Control

bill. The bill under consideration also creates additional officers. It would seem unnecessary and inadvisable under existing circumstances to add other officers to the forces now in charge of our institutions, and especially in view of the fact that the management of these institutions is so soon to pass into the hands of the Board of Control.

For the foregoing reasons I herewith return said bill without my approval.

Respectfully,  
S. R. VAN SANT.

St. Paul, March 30, 1901.

On motion of Mr. Roberts the message was laid upon the table.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. Allen, from the Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred the following bill, reported the same without amendment, and the report so made was agreed to, as follows:

—A bill (H. F. 517) for an act limiting the time for the commencement of actions for the recovery of estates in dower or by the curtesy—that the bill do pass.

Mr. Kelly, from the Committee on Towns and Counties, to which was referred the following bills, reported the same without amendment, as follows:

A bill (S. F. 306) for an act to amend section 5 of chapter 99 of the General Laws of 1897, relating to newly organized counties as amended by chapter 104 of the laws of 1899—that the bill be indefinitely postponed, a substitute having been prepared therefor by committee, to which report the House agreed.

A bill (H. F. 524) for an act to amend section 1 of chapter 308 of the Laws of State of Minnesota for the year 1897, relating to changing the boundary line between adjoining counties—that the bill do pass, to which report the house agreed.

A bill (H. F. 640) for an act authorizing boards of county commissioners in certain cases to allow county treasurers compensation for clerk hire—that the bill do pass, to which report the House agreed.

A bill (H. F. 649) for an act to amend section 9 of chapter 157 of the Laws of 1893, being section 7425 of the General Statutes of 1894; entitled "An act to regulate the construction and management of county jails"—that the bill do pass, to which report the House agreed.

A bill (H. F. 654) for an act prescribing the duties of town assessors—that the bill be indefinitely postponed, to which report the House agreed.

Mr. Kelly, from the Committee on Towns and Counties to