A message was received from the Governor transmitting the following communication:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 4th, 1856.

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*
*and House of Representatives.*

The following acts and resolutions of the Legislature have been presented to me for approval previous to the time of writing this, viz:

1. An act to amend an act to incorporate the Jefferson Railroad company.

2 An act entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of San Antonio, approved January 14th, 1842.

3 An act for the relief of Albricht Gehrke.

4 Joint resolution approving the Compromise of 1850 and Kansas and Nebraska act.

5 Joint resolution for an election in Cherokee and Angelina counties.

6. An act for the relief of the Hon. A. W. C. Hicks, Judge of the fifth Judicial District.

7. An act to create the county of Parker.

8. An Act to make valid surveys made by the county surveyor of Vanzandt county.

9. An act legalizing the creation of Vanzandt county.

10. An act to allow Clinton Thompson, a minor to take possession and control of his estate, and to transact business, as though he was of full age.

11. An act to incorporate Powder Horn, Bayou and Matagorda Bay dredging company.

12. An act supplementary to an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Lagrange in the County of Fayette.

13. An act making appropriations to pay the expenses of volunteers called into the service of the State, for the protection of the frohtier, and for other volunteer services.

14. An act to fix the salary of the Governor.

15. An act to change the sixth and ninth Judicial Districts of the State of Texas, and to define the time of holding courts therein.

16. An act to regulate the sessions of the Supreme court.

17. An act to create the sixteenth Judicial District, and define the time of holding courts therein.

18. An act making an appropriation of ten thousand dollars, to defray the contingent expenses of the sixth Legislature.

19. An act to authorize the county court of Dallas county to levy an additional tax for the purpose of building a court house.

20. An act to change the name of Martha R. Eppinger to Martha R. Bonner.

21. An act to validate an election to be held in the fourteenth Representative district, composed of the counties of Cass and Titus.

22. An act for the relief of Harrison county.

23. An act granting the consent of the State of Texas, to the the United States, to construct break-waters, jettys, dams, and other improvements on the coast of Texas.

24. An act for the relief of John W. Tyler.

25. An act to authorize agents and attorneys at law to make affidavits in certain cases.

26. An act to authorize the clerk of the county court of Washington county to transcribe certain records, therein named.

27. An act making an appropriation for the per diem pay and mileage of the sixth Legislature, and the per diem pay of the officers of the same.

28. An act to incorporate the Texas and New Orleans Telegraph company.

29. An act supplementary to an act to change the sixth ans ninth Judicial districts,and to define the time of holding courts therein.

30. An act to incorporate the town of Cameron in the county of Millam.

31. An act to re-organize the eight Judicial District, and define the time of holding courts therein.

32. An act for the relief of Ira B. Dement.

33. An act to provide for the payment of six companies of mounted volunteers that were called into the service of the State of Texas on the first day of November, A. D. 1854, under a requisition of Brevet Major General Persifer F. Smith, and to pay the expenses incurred by said companies.

34. An act to provide for a special election for Judge in the first Judicial District.

35. An act for the relief of the heirs, assignees, and vendees of William F. Allison, deceased.

36. An act to establish the western boundary line of Tyler county.

37. An act to define the time of holding the District courts in the thirteenth Judicial District.

38. An act for the relief James W. Reed.

39. An act to incorporate the town of Chappell Hill.

40. An act to permit certain persons of color freed, claiming to have been the property of Gabriel Moore, late of Alabama, to remain in the county of Harrison, State of Texas, for two years after the suit now pending in said county to establish their freedom, shall have been decided.

41. An act amending, and supplementary to an act amending, and supplementary to an act to incorporate the Henderson and Burkeville, Railroad company,approved January 27th, A. D. 1854

42. An act supplementary to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Sulpher Fork Turnpike company.

43. An act to remove the Land office of Milam land District from Cameron in Milam county to Belton in Bell county.

44. An act to establish and incorporate a literary institution, under the supervision and control of the Eastern Texas conference, located at or near the town of Gilmer, in Upshur county.

45. An act for the relief of Benjamin F. Benton.

46. An act to incorporate the town of Linden, in Cass county.

47. An act for the relief of E. M. Thomason, William W. Byers, Richard T. Barrett, and John C. Clark.

48. An act supplementary to an act entitled, an act to incorporate the town of LaGrange, in the county of Favette.

49. An act to create the fifteenth Judicial District, provide for the election of a Judge and District Attorney thereof, and define the time of holding courts therein.

50. An act for the relief of certain sheriffs therein named.

51. An act to authorize the Comptroller to issue duplicates of certain lost certificates of stock on certain conditions.

52. An act to define the seventh Judicial District, and the time of holding courts in the same.

53. An act to incorporate the Brazoria county Insurance company.

54. An act authorizing the transfer of certain stock bonds on certain conditions.

55. An act for the relief of the heirs and assignees of Thomas Williams.

56. An act to permit the city of Houston to levy a special tax for railroad purposes.

57. An act for the relief of the Galveston and Red River Railway company, and supplementary to the several acts incorporating said company.

58. Joint resolution appropriating five thousand five hundred and fifty eight dollars and seventy cents, to meet certain expenditures made for the Penitentiary.

59. An act for the relief of C. M. Goolsby.

60. An act conferring power on county courts, and town and corporate authorities, to establish quarantine regulations.

61. An act to amend an act, supplementary to an act to establish the Galveston, Harrison, and Houston Railroad company, approved January 10th, 1854.

62. An act for the purchase of a site, and erection of a store and ware house, and other purposes.

63. An act creating the county of Wise.

64. An act to create the county of Erath.

65. An act to incorporate the city of Marshall.

66. An act confirming headright grants of land lying on the boundary line of Austin's colony and Robertson's colony.

67. An act supplementary to an act to define the time of holding the district courts in the thirteenth Judicial District.

68. An act for the relief of Elizabeth Jones, deceased.

69. An act to create the county of Comanche.

70. An act to incorporate LaGrange Lodge, No. 30, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

71. An act to create the county of Atascosa.

72. An act to legalize the official acts of John H. Smither, as clerk of the district court of Bowie county.

73. An act for the relief of Kindallis Bryan, Sheriff of Liberty county.

74. An act for the relief of Thomas D. Cayce, and Sarah White.

75. An act to create the county of Bandera.

76. An act for the relief of Richard A. Powdrell.

77. An act to change the name of Susan P. Cannon to that of Susan P. Cook.

78. An act to authorize the county court of Travis to lay and collect a special tax.

79. An act to create the county of Kerr.

80. An act for the relief of Collin McKinney.

81. An act to confirm the titles of certain pre-emption settlers within the limits of Peters' colony.

82. An act to incorporate the town of Texana.

83. An act to authorize and require the county court of the county of Brazoria to establish, discontinue, and regulate private and public roads in said county, and to cause public roads and bridges to be constructed and kept in good order.

84. An act to incorporate the Henderson Female College.

85. An act to incorporate the John M. Gibson Lodge, No. 13 of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, located in the town of Marshall, Harrison county, Texas.

86. An act to incorporate Walker Lodge No. 13, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

87. An act for the relief of George L. Bledsoe.

88. An act supplementary to an act to establish and incorporate the College of DeKalb, approved 26th January, 1839.

89. An act denating to Mrs. Elizabeth Crockett one league of land.

90. An act to provide for the liquidation and settlement of certain meritorious claims therein named.

91. An act requiring the Commissioner of the General Land Office to perform certain duties therein named.

92. An act to authorize and require certain suits pending in the District Courts in and for the counties of Hill and Ellis, to be transferred to the county of Johnson.

93. An act to create the county of Lampasas.

94. An act to define the Fourth Judicial District, and to prescribe the time of holding courts therein.

95. An act for the relief George Robinson.

96. An act to incorporate the Memphis, El Paso and Pacific Railroad company.

97. An act to amend the seventh section of an act to provide for the payment of six companies of mounted volunteers, that were mustered into the service of the State of Texas, on the first day of November, A. D. 1854, under a requisition of Brevet

Major General Percifor F. Smith, and to pay the expenses incurred by said companies, approved 14th of January, 1856.

98. An act to incorporate the Washington county Railroad company.

99. An act to create the county of Cibolo.

100. An act for the relief of the Buffalo Bayou, Brazos and Colorodo Railroad company, or their assignees in certain cases.

101. An act for the relief of Jesse Dean.

102. An act to incorporate Soule University.

103. An act to define the time of holding the district courts in the county of Cameron.

104. An act giving the assent of the State of Texas to an act to provide for the payment of such creditors of the late Republic of Texas as are comprehended in the act of Congress of September nine, eighteen hundred and fifty, which was passed at the second session of the thirty-third Congress of the United States, and approved February twenty-eighth, eighteen hundred and fifty-five.

105. An act to create the county of San Saba.

106. An act amendatory to an act concerning crimes and punishments, approved 20th March, 1848.

107. An act for the relief of James Tarlton.

108. An act to change the name of Margaret Catharine Burk to Margaret Catharine Moore.

109. An act for the relief of Henry Patrick.

110. An act for the relief of George W. Shelton.

111. An act to create the county of Llano.

112. An act to incorporate the Trinity Valley Railroad company.

113. An act for the relief of Com. E. W. Moore.

114. An act for the relief of George H. Burroughs.

115. An act granting Pelican Island, in Galveston Bay, to the corporation of the city of Galveston.

116. Joint resolution granting leave of absence to Joel L. Ankrim, judge of the 11th judicial district.

117. An act defining the counties composing the 3d judicial district, and the time of holding the same.

118. An act to change the name of Julius Valentine Cook, to that of Richard Valentine Cook.

119. An act to pay assessors and collectors of taxes for taking the number of the scholastic population of their respective counties, for the yeas 1854 and 1855.

120. An act for the relief of Fred W. Moore, assignee of A. H. Cook.

121. An act authorizing Archibald F. Leonard to erect a mill on, and construct a dam across the West Fork of Trinity river.

122. An act to provide for the erection and furnishing a fire proof building to be used as a General Land Office for the State of Texas.

123. An act to incorporate the town of Lexington.

124. An act to authorize the clerk of the county court of Anderson county to transcribe into a bound book, to be procured by him for that purpose, all the records hereinafter named.

125. An act supplementary to an act entitled, an act making provision for running and marking the boundary line between the State of Texas, and the territories of the United States of America.

126. An act to better define the Western boundary line of Grayson county, and the Eastern boundary line of Cook county.

127. An act to create the county of Live Oak, and attach it to the 14th judicial district.

128. An act to provide for the purchase of a supply of the Texas Digest, for the use of the State.

129. An act for the relief of Basil Durbin.

130. An act to incorporate Larissa College.

131. Joint resolution on the Kansas and Nebraska act.

132. An act to re-organize the 2d judicial district, and fix the time of holding the courts therein.

133. An act to incorporate the Texas Christian College.

134. An act for the relief of the heirs of George Wagner, deceased.

135. An act to incorporate the town of Rusk, in Cherokee county.

136. An act to repeal an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Tyler University in the town of Tyler, county of Smith, and to re-incorporate the same.

137. An act to create the county of Kinney.

138. An act authorizing and requiring the assessor and collector of Tarrant county, to collect the taxes now assessed in the former territory of Tarrant county and now Parker county, and pay over the same to the county Treasurer of said county of Parker.

139. An act creating the county of Young.

140. An act to incorporate the town of Dallas.

141. An act for the relief of the heirs at law of William Stephens Kennard.

142. An act to incorporate the Franklin College.

143. An act to provide a permanent and safe building for the use of the State Department, the Executive and the Attorney General of the State of Texas.

144. An act to authorize John H. White a minor, to take charge of his estate and transact business as though he were of age.

145. An act authorizing the county courts of this State to grant licenses for the retail of spirituous, vinous and intoxicating liquors, in quanties less than a quart, and imposing a license tax for such privilege.

146. An act to fix the salaries of the Judges of the Supreme and Districts courts.

147. An act to detect and prevent the payment of fraudulant certificates of Public Debt, and to provide for collection of certain money due by the United States.

148. An act supplementary to an act to incorporate the San Antonio and Mexican Gulf Railroad, approved September 5th, 1850, and the supplements thereto.

149. An act more particularly declaring the duties of Deputy Clerks.

250. An act to create Maverick county.

151. An act to create the county of Uvalde.

152. An act for the relief of certain persons therein named.

153. An act to amend the caption and the first and sixteenth sections of an act to incorporate the Texas Western Railroad Company, approved February 16th, 1852.

154. An act to legalize the official acts of J. P. Dumas District Surveyor of Grayson county.

155. An act to incorporate the Linden Academy.

156. An act supplementary to an act to incorporate the Memphis, El Paso and Pacific Railroad company passed by the sixth Legislature.

157. An act for the relief of Wm. M. Shepherd.

158. An act for the relief of S. A. White.

159. An act for the relief of Rees D. Price.

160. An act for to change the name of Caroline Boyd and Lucy Ann Boyd to Caroline Boyd Stewart and Lucy Ann Boyd Stewart, and to authorize Charles B. Stewart to adopt said Caroline and Lucy Ann with power to devise to them such portions of his estate as he may chose.

161. An act for the relief of Thomas H. Mays.

162. An act authorizing the Trustees of the several school Districts of Comal county to levy and collect a special tax for school purposes.

163. An act for the relief of G. B. Lamar.

164. An act for the relief of Harvey Sanderson's heirs.

Of these acts and resolutions, those numbered 12, 40, 41, 50, 63 and 99, have been returned without my approval to the

House, in which they respectively originated, together with my objections to them. Those numbered 101, 112, 119, 121, 141, 148, 149, 152, 153, 155, 158, and 159, I have not had time to examine with that deliberation I desire, before final action upon them. All the other acts and resolutions have been approved, or have become operative by lapse of time. Those not finally acted on up to this time, will be approved in time to be printed with the other laws, if no serious objections are entertained to them. If they are not approved they will be returned to the House in which they originated at the adjourned session.

I learn that many Bills and Resolutions have passed both Houses which have not yet been presented to me. As they come in, I shall approve of such as I can, and return the others to the Legislature when it meets in July next.

E. M. PEASE.