REPUBLIC OF KENYA THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF MOMBASA

OFFICIAL REPORT

Wednesday, 7th March, 2018
The House met at 2:35p.m.
(The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Fadhili Mwalimu) in the Chair)

PRAYERS

The Deputy Speaker: Have your seats. Yes Clerk.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

Hon. Members, I wish to bring to the attention of this Honorable House that we have visitors from Light Academy School from Mombasa County and I recognize the presence of the delegation. If you hear your name stand and bow, the delegation consists of;

- 1. Slim Swaleh Slim
- 2. Henry Mtsami Tsangari
- 3. Ahmed Khalid Ahmed
- 4. Zainab Yunis Ahmed
- 5. Samantha Fernandes
- 6. Abeer Jamal Salim
- 7. Laura Nyadzua Tungu
- 8. Said Shaban Mayora
- 9. Asma Abubakar
- 10. Joseph Ayieko
- 11. Muad Salim
- 12. Rugeya Omar
- 13. Bance Wakio
- 14. Masha Hennin
- 15. Betsy Madaraka
- 16. Margarita Obaga
- 17. Ricky Kilburn
- 18. Caren Boyani Sobukwe
- 19. James Omondi

TEACHERS

- 1. Nilhat Arslan
- 2. Evans Musembi
- 3. Victor Otieno
- 4. Mui Barasa

(The students and teachers each stood and bowed)

You are much welcome to the County Assembly of Mombasa. Next Order.

STATEMENT

Yes Hon. Shebe Athuman, Chairperson of Committee on Environment and Waste Management?

Hon. (Ms.) Mbura: Ahsante sana Mheshimiwa Spika kwa niaba ya Mwenyekiti wangu ningeomba tulete ripoti yetu wiki ijayo kwa sababu kuna sehemu ambazo lazima tukamilishe ndio tulete. Ahsanteni sana.

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Amur.

Hon. Amur: Mr. Speaker sir, we cannot be taken for granted, the issue pertaining to garbage collection in Mombasa town has become worse and we need an urgent report in this Assembly because we cannot take it...

(Applause)

As you go round Mombasa today Mr. Speaker on the main roads the garbage is piled up, we cannot say that the Committee needs more time we need action to be taken but not time Mr. Speaker. We want to be given a report that is comprehensive so that the people we are representing in this Assembly can feel that they are well represented. Mr. Speaker the garbage is piling up we cannot grant the Committee another time this is an urgent issue we need to be given the report. Thank you.

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Thoya.

Hon. Thoya: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I stand here to support Hon. Amur and I think procedurally we have only 14 days if I recount myself this statement when it was brought before this House is over either one month or two by now and as for the Committee to tell this House that they need more time truly the situation is pathetic. As you go by Makupa Causeway it is getting out of hand; the order that was brought now that all the dumping sites were closed down now the small boys are being given small amounts of token money and they throw the garbage littering everywhere. I think they should not be given more time Mr. Speaker, crack your whip come up help the people of Mombasa, help as the sanitation situation is getting out of hand and we think there is no more time for this statement because there has been ample time for them to bring this statement. Thank you.

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Bwire Raphael.

Hon. Bwire: Thank you Mr. Speaker, we understand the garbage issue is very serious but as much we need a very comprehensive statement as Hon. Amur has put it and rushing into coming up with the statement may not solve the situation. So I would wish to urge the Hon. House as requested by the Hon. Member let us give them time come next week they come up with a very comprehensive statement that this House will have to adopt, thank you.

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Ogutu.

Hon. Ogutu: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker first of all I want to acknowledge the presence of pupils from Light Academy who have come for a learning experience in this Hon. House; two I think the time given to the department and the Committee to bring the report has elapsed and it's high time this Honorable House should not be taken for a ride. Mr. Speaker I think its high time you crack the whip because the consequences that we face from the pile up of garbage is immense. Thank you.

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Hamida.

Hon. (Ms.) Hamida Noor: Thank you Mr. Speaker for giving me this opportunity. The waste management in Mombasa has become pathetic; we have a lot of waste even in our houses, outside our gates. We urge the Committee to take charge so that we see at least that this waste has been taken out of the streets, even in front of our gates so that at least the environment can be better please we urge you thank you.

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Ibrahim Omondi.

Hon. Omondi: Mr. Speaker sir first of all I want to take this humble opportunity to thank you for giving me this golden chance. Mr. Speaker Sir I term it this golden chance because the statement that has been that is yet to be read on rubbish and garbage collection is very important as far as our locality or as far as our County or as far as the public is concerned. Mr. Speaker Sir and as you know the voters whom I can call them the voiceless, the people who gave us the wings to fly to come to this House, they gave us the power to fulfill their dreams, these voiceless; the voters, the electorates also gave us the strength to walk the rough terrain. The same voters also gave us the bravery to challenge the dreaded power laws and the authority to speak your mind to the forces of creation. We have to walk the walk and talk the talk and we must call a spade a spade. Mr. Speaker Sir as the Hon. Member of Changamwe has said the time has come because we shall be coming here day in day out and Members are just dodging; the concern is people are just dodging they don't want to come to the wrath in this particular House. Mr. Speaker Sir it is very regrettable, very much regrettable and we are not going to allow am saying that and this one is coming from my heart...

(Applause)

This is the time when we have very many water and air borne diseases spreading and affecting our people on the ground; the voiceless including me, the Hon. Member, the Chairman of Education Mombasa County, the MCA Airport Ward having suffered from Chikungunya...

(Applause)

Mr. Speaker sir it is very sad, I shed my tears before this House we have given these people the mandate to carry out their responsibility but it is like we are playing around, somebody somewhere said that the mourner cannot pretend to go in a grieved homestead and pretend to well louder than the grieved. Mr. Speaker we are the one that grieve, we know where it pains, we represent people on the ground and the situation on the ground is worse, terrible, and pathetic and the state is outdated. Mr. Speaker Sir am crying for your help, I want you to walk to Airport Ward if your tears will not come out; the garbage is all over, the situation is worse, the situation is bad. Look at Kibarani, look at the smell that you experience I think it has come a time when we have to stand firm and tell the responsible people to take their responsibility with seriousness and if not this time the whip will work. Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir.

(Applause)

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Kibwana, I think Hon. Amur and Hon. Thoya you have already raised your concerns unless you have got burning issues. Hon. Kibwana, proceed?

Hon. Kibwana Swaleh: Thank you Hon. Speaker mine is just to add on what other colleagues have put across but I think we should give the Chair who is the Member of Jomvu Kuu Ward who is not around time...

(Interruption)

The Deputy Speaker: But the Committee Members are around?

(Interruption)

Hon. Amur: Mr. Speaker it doesn't mean if the Chair is not in the House that Committee does not function; he should not tell us because the Committee consists of Deputy Chair and Members so the issue of telling us the Chairman is not in does not arise. This is a very sensitive issue we need to be told the truth Mr. Speaker. Thank you.

(Applause)

The Deputy Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Kibwana is on the floor.

Hon. Kibwana Swaleh: I think Hon. Speaker you should protect me because I was about to express my views and I had given them time to vent out their issues so I think it is my time also to be given that time so I seek your protection. Hon. Speaker I think the Members are seeking for a report from the Department and what we know the procedure is that the Committee only rely on the report from the Department and if the report they have discussed is not full then they have to be given time. So I think it is upon us as Members to give them time, the last chance so that they can go out to their Department and give that time to give a full report, so I think rather than roasting them at this moment we should allow the Committee and give them ample time to give us a comprehensive report.

The Deputy Speaker: Hon. Ibrahim (Bomoa) are you up on a Point of order or what?

Hon. Omondi: Am standing on a Point of Information sir. I just want to pass this information that I think when we were in this House, this Honorable House you did give a direction and we did agree the very Chairman was in that House, the very Assistant Chairman purported to be Assistant Chairman for Environment was in this House, the entire Committee in that respective was in this House and we gave a time frame and they agreed on that time frame. Mr. Speaker I don't think at that particular time they were out of their minds, I think they were sober when they told us they will give us their statement today. Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir.

Hon. Kibwana Swaleh: Hon. Speaker...

The Deputy Speaker: Are you up on a point of order or? **Hon. Kibwana Swaleh:** I was still talking when Hon. Bomoa...

(Interruption)

The Deputy Speaker: No you had finished Hon. Kibwana...

(Interruption)

Hon. Kibwana Swaleh: No I think Hon. Speaker...

(Interruption)

The Deputy Speaker: Hon. Leila Nyache?

Hon. (Ms.) Nyache: Ahsante sana Mheshimiwa Spika kwa kunipa fursa hii kuweza kuchangia, ningeomba Waheshimiwa wenzangu katika Bunge hili tuweze kuwa na subra ya hiyo ripoti iliotolewa na Naibu Mwenyekiti wa Kamati ya Mazingira. Tafadhalini, tusubiri ripoti na kama haitatufurahisha ndio tuanze sasa kutoa tofauti zetu lakini tunaomba Mungu ripoti itakuja nzuri kutoka kwa Mwenyekiti wa Kamati ya Mazingira. Ahsante sana Mheshimiwa Spika.

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Faith?

Hon. (Ms.) Boniface: Thank you Mr. Speaker I think here there's a play of hide and seek because when it comes to matters of environment we don't want people to joke with it; they have been given quite some time, almost one month now and they said to be given more time. I don't understand what they are doing as the Committee and they have the mandate to summon the Chief Officer and the County Executive Committee of the Environment. Another thing Mr. Speaker right now it is a rainy season, what do we expect to do, they want us to give the Chairman of Health a burden to bring the report about another disease, so they should act immediately and I could request this House to be adjourned for that Committee to go out and bring a report right now. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Bwire before we conclude.

Hon. Bwire: Thank you Mr. Speaker for a second chance. The garbage issue is a very big problem; in fact in my Ward I don't sleep just because of it, and I would also wish to inform my fellow Hon. Members that we don't have a department on garbage collection, we only have that one for environment but as the Member and I seconded we said earlier that we kindly give more time to this Committee because the leadership of almost the entire Committee is not within, now we just give them time next week they report, they may not have an excuse next week to give us but to table the report, please thank you.

(Applause)
(The Deputy Speaker on his feet)

The Deputy Speaker: Hon. Members, Hon. Thoya, when the Speaker is on his feet you are supposed to sit. Hon. Members now that we have fully deliberated on the issue of garbage collection and the Committee on Environment with their own eyes they have seen what has transpired and how the debate was very hot and in fact we had given you a lot of time. So Members this will be the last chance from the Chair we shall give you until next week Tuesday, failure to which we are going to appoint an *ad hoc* Committee to work on the same issue, so next week Tuesday we would like to see the report on the table of the House, Clerk.

STATUS OF BURSARY WITHIN THE COUNTY

Yes Hon. Ibrahim Omondi.

Hon. Omondi: Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir once again, at this time am rising to give a comprehensive statement on the status of the bursary as requested by this Honorable House, the response to this statement. Mr. Speaker sir I wish to give the following statement; response on the status of bursary within the County. Mr. Speaker sir due to recent situations regarding bursaries the Department of Education, Information Technology and MV 2035 has prepared new bursary forms with various changes based on last year's practice....

(Interruption)

Hon. Amur: Mr. Speaker point of clarification. We are not talking about forms for bursaries, what is coming for 2018 the issue is about 2016/2017 not about new forms for 2018/2019; the issue of bursary report is 2016/2017, the amount was allocated the university students and colleges were never granted their bursaries, that is the question in this House.

(Applause)

It is not about the forms, whether they modified them today or tomorrow it is not the concern of this Assembly, the issue is the Ksh.18, 899,000 Million that was intended for our university and colleges which has not been disbursed and yet it was in the budget of 2016/2017.

(Applause)

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Ibrahim Omondi go as per the request of the statement given in this Honorable House.

Hon. Omondi: Yes that is what I want to clarify. Mr. Speaker Sir I want to first of all inform the Member who was just on the floor trying to argue about my statement my duty and i want to inform the Hon. Member to get this very clearly, my duty in this particular House as the Chair of Education is to give the statement sir and remember when in this House the very Members requested for a statement. Mr. Speaker it will mature....

(Interruption)

The Deputy Speaker: There is a Hon. Member standing, give Hon. Raphael a chance to speak, but let the Hon. Member first present his statement.

Hon. Bwire: Mr. Speaker we do not have much time to give Hon. *Bomoa* time to tell us on what he should do; he is a Chairman on the same department he should not be reading statements that is not justifiable by his Committee, he should be telling us you see the Hon. Member is telling us that his mandate is to read the statement, how dare you read a statement you have not justified? We need a justifiable statement from the Committee Mr. Speaker under his leadership, so he should be giving us factual information not statements he does not believe in. Thank you.

The Deputy Speaker: So let Hon. Ibrahim present his views uninterrupted first then Hon. Members I will give you a chance.

Hon. Omondi: Yes, thank you for that protection and it is very important when we are in this Honorable House we are supposed to use Standing orders; because here I was requested to give a statement I was not told to come justify, am not here to justify am only here to read the statement. I need your protection Mr. Speaker...

(Interruption)

Hon. Amur: Mr. Speaker, he is the Chairman of Education...

(Interruption)

The Deputy Speaker: Hon. Amur just let the Hon. Member first present his statement he is responding to a statement so let him present.

Hon. Amur what you are holding has not been tabled in this House, so we cannot talk about that document of which has not been tabled in this House so let the Hon. Member proceed.

Hon. Omondi: Yes, thank you Mr. Speaker sir and thank you for the protection, and I want to urge my neighbor Hon. Member to follow the Standing order strictly in this House, okay am reading the statement, due to the recent situation regarding bursaries the Department of Education, Information Technology and MV 2035 has prepared new bursary forms with various changes based on last year's practice to improve the situation and better target the beneficiaries. The aforementioned County Department has requested the entire bursary amount of Kshs.300 Million from the Department of Finance and is waiting for the money to be sent to the Elimu Fund Account. Furthermore the same Department explained that the Sub County Financial Aid Committee Chairs met recently and their teams have started meeting and interviewing potential beneficiaries. Finally, Mr. Speaker Sir, the Committee would like to assure Members that the County Government is aware of concerns expressed by the MCA's and public at large and currently is undertaking necessary measures to ensure that this problem is addressed. Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir.

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Ogutu.

Hon. Ogutu: Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir. Mr. Speaker Sir first of all the statement we are getting from the Chair of Education is not comprehensive...

(Applause)

Mr. Speaker he would have started by telling us whereabouts of the last year's allocation before he tells us about the Kshs 300Million which is set for the financial year 2017/2018. Mr. Speaker I want to believe that the essence of this bursary fund was to give a fountain of hope to the needy children. Mr. Speaker there are a number of these needy and bright students who applied in the last financial year and they did not get this money up to date. Mr. Speaker many of them have been forced to defer because they could not pay the school fee in time. Mr. Speaker it is quite pathetic and the situation outside there is wanting; we want to know the whereabouts of this money which was allocated for the colleges and universities in the last financial year and I would urge you Mr. Speaker to give that Committee another chance to go and bring a comprehensive statement to this Honorable House. Thank you.

(Applause)

The Deputy Speaker: Yes, Hon. Amur.

Hon. Amur: Mr. Speaker it is very sad for us to be told lies, day time lies. The amount that was allocated for the bursary 2016/2017 was there in its full amount, what was disbursed was for the secondary schools and special schools need only. For the colleges and universities todate we are in 2018 today is 7th March, 2018, we are talking about the bursaries for 2016/2017 financial year. The amount that was allocated had already been budgeted yet 7,423 students have not received their bursaries and yet the money was allocated to that Department of Education. Where is the money Mr. Speaker? We want to be told where is Kshs 6,051,000 is lying because it was in the last financial year and 7,000 students did not get these bursaries. Are we being fair here today saying that 7,000 students missed their bursaries because of somebody's negligence? It is not fair Mr. Speaker and that money was allocated. Mr. Speaker they are telling us about Kshs 300 Million again this year, what will happen to this Kshs 300 Million again?

(Interruption)

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The Deputy Speaker: Use the microphone for the Hansard records.

Hon. Amur: Mr. Speaker if we talk about the Kshs 300 Million they are looking for this year, if the Kshs 64Million has been responded to, are we fools to go and grant that Kshs 300 Million as an Assembly? Unless we are told where is the Kshs 64Million Mr. Speaker first for the financial of 2016/2017. Mr. Speaker it is sad for some students who missed their exams because of these bursaries...

(Applause)

They have deferred to go back to the same class because somebody was supposed to pay maybe Kshs.20,000, a needy student and he did not get that Kshs.18,000.00 or Kshs.15,000.00 Mr. Speaker. There are some students; I will show you a student that has just been sent home from the University because of Kshs.6, 000 and he is one of the beneficiaries. Mr. Speaker as we speak today here Kshs6, 150 and a student has been sent home because bursary was not granted and he had applied....

(*Interruption*)

The Deputy Speaker: Hon. Ibrahim we will give you time to respond.

Hon. Amur: This is one of the students who has been sent home Mr. Speaker because of only Kshs.6, 150.00 that is the balance, he has been sent home yet he had applied...

(Interruption)

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Mohamed Hatimy?

Hon. Mohamed Hatimy: Mr. Speaker Standing Order No.43, I think we are misusing the time given, you are not supposed to be speaking more than three minutes and I see my friend here you have given him almost six, seven minutes. So Mr. Speaker can you please stop him. Thank you.

The Deputy Speaker: Ok, Hon. Amur proceed and mind you have got only one minute.

Hon. Amur: Mr. Speaker I know why the Chairman from Finance is trying to stop me to bring this issue because it concerns Finance and the Committee is one of the Committees that has the *mandate of* finance. Mr. Speaker I rest my case but the reality we want to know where is the Kshs.64Million for those students 7,423 before any bursaries are issued we should be told whether these 7,423 students will get their bursaries before we go to 2017/2018. Thank you.

Hon. Mohamed Hatimy: Mr. Speaker it is not fair...

(Interruption)

The Deputy Speaker: Members there is a Member on the floor.

Hon. Mohamed Hatimy: Because we are out of the agenda Mr. Speaker, the question is we want to know the status of bursary and not about money. So I think it is not fair Mr. Speaker.

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Raphael.

Hon. Bwire: Thank you Mr. Speaker. One; we cannot allocate resources for 2018/2019 bursaries and yet the allocation of 2016/2017 was not well utilized. Mr. Speaker with that we have to be very much careful that is one, two...

(Laughter)

Mr. Speaker I need Chairman in the House...I need the Chairman in the House, thank you. We therefore need if there is any Committee now that needs *Ad-hoc* Committee is this Committee of Education because you cannot bring to us the statements on 2018/2019 and we still have questions on 2016/2017 financial year; money that was allocated for education and was not well utilized. And another thing Mr. Speaker is that bursaries involves cash, I just want to inform Hon. Hatimy that bursaries involves cash, so when you talk of bursary simply we talk of cash that was allocated for the same because you cannot bring us the statement of 2018/2019 and we still have questions on 2016/2017 financial year. We therefore need response from the Hon. Member and we need not to give you more time for the same. We just need answers within this Assembly just now on how that money was utilized and how are you going to make sure that the rest of the Kshs 300 million that you have asked for will be properly used or utilized? Thank you Mr. Speaker

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Thoya?

Honorable House to a House of grammar only whereby we need to define bursary, the word comprehensive and I think as Hon. Members we need to get more serious. The only issue here we need to understand let the Chairman since he has the opportunity to call the CEC in charge of Education, may be this whole House does not have that opportunity. Let him tell this House where is the money that was supposed to fund the college and university students because we don't have the opportunity to call the CEC in this House. Let him call him and if he has not done that let him do it; again we need to understand there was this statement called Sub County Financial Aid Committee. We need to understand what this is actually because I think if this one is in the Sub County the MCAs are within the Sub County we must be aware. Sad enough we are not in picture of all this because if this is happening within the Ward and I think the headquarters Mikindani; a Ward that I represent at least I could have a picture of those people being vetted.

Recently I am hearing a lot of... I think we are missing the point and this Honorable House must go in history about education and garbage but because we are missing it I think we are not anywhere to be counted at large. Let us get it right in terms of education and let us prioritize education these people when January, February that is the right time for these students to get the aid. Why are we talking this aid to the month of July, August and up to the moment we are still saying go and investigate and tell us? Kindly let us prioritize education and let us get this aid at the required necessary time. I think if any assistance it should come at the required moment not the time that either you been deferred you have lost your semester whatsoever and then the assistance comes. It is time wasted Hon. Speaker, thank you very much and it is high time because...

(Interruption)

The Deputy Speaker: Your time is up! Yes Hon. Feddis.

Hon. (Ms.) Mbura: Ahsante sana Mheshimiwa Spika. Sisi kama Wajumbe tulikuwa twatazamia Mheshimiwa atatuletea ripoti kwamba ni lini basari zitatolewa kwa sababu watoto wengi wako nje. Watoto hawakufanya mitihani na mwaka wa Kaunti saa hii waendelea kumalizika ni mwezi wa sita. Kwa hivyo tulikuwa twatazamia atatuletea ripoti sasa yale anayozungumza sisi hatujamuelewa.

Hivyo basi tungemuomba atafute hiyo ripoti atuletee ili tujue hawa watoto watarudi lini shule? Basari zitatolewa lini, na wakati wa kutolewa pia sisi kama MCA tuhusishwe ili tuweze kujua...

(Interruption) (Applause)

Nini inaendelea katika Kaunti! Ahsante sana.

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Faith?

Hon. (Ms.) Boniface: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I guess again we have taken for granted because education is not something to joke with as a House, we have to prioritize the education thing because according to the last page of the report which we are having on the table they are saying the interviews are already been conducted...

(Interruption)

The Deputy Speaker: Hon. Faith there is no report. It...

(Interruption)

Hon. (Ms.) Boniface: But we had the copies!

The Deputy Speaker: The Chairman was responding on a statement there is no report that has been tabled in this House.

Hon. (Ms.) Boniface: My request, thank you Mr. Speaker my request is for this House to suspend the bursaries of this year so that we may know 2016/2017 allocation where it is. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

(Applause)

The Deputy Speaker: So Hon. Members I think the Chairman for Education has discharged his functions and he has responded to the statement on bursaries but I can see Members are raising issues on the disbursement of the monies for the financial year 2016/2017 for colleges and universities. So I take this opportunity to ask the Committee and the Chairman to work on the same for the next 14 days, the Members need know when is the department disbursing the bursaries, the new bursaries and in the last financial year pending bursaries for colleges and university. So let the...

(Interruption) (Applause)

Let the Committee concerned and mind you we shall not take that report for granted work on it, we have given you ample time. The time is enough for you to work and the Hon. Members will be waiting for the report and now it is not a response to a statement but it is a report which is going to be debated in this Honorable House. As you have seen it was a hot issue, somehow a hot debate but when you bring it as a Motion I am sure, be prepared to face whatever that you are going to face in this House. Next Order.

BILLS

(Interruption)

Hon. Amur: Mr. Speaker, I have a burning issue or a statement. A burning statement please if you will allow me.

The Deputy Speaker: Hon. Amur it has been passed by events.

Hon. Amur: (Off microphone) ...If you always be (??) with that Mr. Speaker sir. Mr. Speaker communicating to that...

The Deputy Speaker: Yes but it has been passed by events Hon. Amur.

(Interruption)

Hon. Amur: Mr. Speaker I kindly request.

The Deputy Speaker: Hon. Amur we are guided by the Standing orders. You are supposed to at least alert the Speaker 30 minutes or by 3:00p.m you are supposed to alert the Speaker that you have a statement.

Hon. Amur: I have alerted you that I have a statement. Thank you.

The Deputy Speaker: No Hon. Amur the Statement that you told was on garbage and I think the issue on garbage has been deliberated in the House.

(Applause)

Thank you. Yes Clerk, continue.

ADJOURNMENT

Yes Hon. Members there being no other Business the House stands adjourned until tomorrow Thursday at 2:30p.m.

The House rose at 3:22p.m.