

court hereby empowered on the payment of such sum, as the said court shall deem reasonable, not less than two, and not exceeding twenty dollars, for the use of the county, to grant license to each and every person applying, who shall be adjudged suitable for such purpose by the said court for the term of one year, from the time of giving such license, to keep a ferry at such place as the court shall adjudge most proper; and the court shall state such fare and ferridge at each ferry for passengers, horses, &c :

Provided, always, that every person having applied for license as aforesaid, shall before the same shall be granted, give bond with one or more sufficient securities, to the clerk of the county court of the county wherein such ferry may be, and his successors in office in such sums as the said court shall order, conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties of his station.

Your committee further report that at every session of the Legislative Council, 1824, to the last in 1838, both inclusive, special acts have been passed granting the privileges of establishing ferries and of building bridges, notwithstanding the act of 1824, concerning roads, highways and ferries, expressly gave the power of such grants to the county courts in the several counties. As this course has become so general, your committee beg leave to report the bill with an amendment limiting the term to "five" instead of "twenty years." All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed,

W. J. MILLS, Chairman.

Which was concurred in; whereupon said bill was again read. On motion the Senate went into committee of the whole upon said bill, after some time spent in its consideration, the committee rose and Mr. Duval, chairman thereof, reported said bill without amendment, which report was received.

On motion said bill again read and taken up, when Mr. Marvin offered the following, as the 4th section to said bill, viz :

Be it further enacted that this act shall be subject to be altered, modified, or repealed, by the Legislature at any time; which was accepted. On motion of Mr. Wright to postpone said bill indefinitely, the yeas and nays were called by Messrs. Wright and Mills, and were yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Bailey, Berthelot, Dupont, Mills and Wright 6; nays—Messrs. Duval, Hart, Hawkins, Marvin and Walker, 5. So said bill was indefinitely postponed.

On motion the Senate adjourned until to-morrow 12 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, January 23d, 1839.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and yesterday's proceedings were read.

Mr. Duval, offered the following resolution, viz: Resolved, that the Auditor reports to the Senate, whether any money has been paid out by them, for the expenses incurred by the Convention

lately assembled at St. Joseph, and if so, to state for what and to whom the same was paid, and by what authority they paid the same without an appropriation from the Legislative Council, which was read.

Mr. Dupont introduced the following resolution, viz: Resolved, that the following be substituted for the thirtieth rule of the Senate.

The following standing committees shall be appointed by the President, to consist of at least three members, who shall have leave to report by bill or otherwise. A committee on the Judiciary, a committee on Finance and Banks, a committee on the State of the Territory, to have charge of Claims, Elections, and Militia,—a committee on Schools and Colleges, and a joint committee on Enrolled bills.

Which was twice read, the rule being waived and adopted, Messrs. Berthelot, Hawkins and Mills. were appointed said joint standing committee on the part of the Senate.

A bill entitled, an act to incorporate the Ocilla Academy, in the county of Jefferson, was again read and placed among the orders of the day for to-morrow.

The resolutions passed by the House, in relation to the application to Congress for an appropriation to defray the expense of the Convention, &c., was again read, and upon the question to insert the word Governor in the enacting clause,

The yeas and nays were called by Messrs. Berthelot and Dupont, and were yeas Mr. President, Messrs. Berthelot, Dupont, Hawkins, Walker and Wright, 6,—Nays, Messrs. Bailey, Duval, Hart, Mills and Marvin, 5,—so the word Governor was inserted; on motion to strike out "Senate and House of Representatives," and insert "Legislative Council," the yeas and nays were called by Messrs. Mills and Wright, and were yeas Messrs. Duval, Hart, Marvin, Walker and Wright, 5,—Nays, Mr. President, Messrs. Bailey, Berthelot, Dupont, Hawkins and Mills, 6,—so said motion was lost, on motion the word "Governor" was again stricken out, and said resolutions laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Dupont, the vote and bill, entitled an act, to authorize Simeon Driggers, to establish a ferry over the Withlacoochee river: was re-considered, and said bill was placed among the orders of the day.

A resolution before offered by Mr. Duval requesting the Governor's correspondence in relation to the ordering out of the militia, &c., was again read and adopted.

A resolution before offered by Mr. Dupont, in relation to the hour of meeting of the Senate, was again read. On motion 12 o'clock was substituted for 11 o'clock, and the letter "A" stricken out so as to read "12 o'clock, M," which said resolution was adopted.

On motion, the Senate went into committee of the whole on a bill entitled "an act to authorize Simeon Driggers," &c. Mr. Duval in the Chair. After some time spent in its consideration, the

committee rose and reported said bill as amended, which was concurred in by the Senate.

On motion to strike out the preamble to said bill, inserted in committee of the whole, the yeas and nays were called by Messrs. Mills and Marvin, and were yeas Mr. President, Messrs. Duval, Hart, Hawkins, Mills, Marvin and Walker, 7,—Nays, Messrs. Bailey, Berthelot, Dupont and Wright, 4,—so said preamble was stricken out and the bill ordered to be engrossed for a third reading to-morrow.

The House sent back to the Senate a preamble and resolution in relation to the bar at St. Johns river, which they concurred in. So said preamble and resolution was ordered to be enrolled.

Also a resolution in relation to the improvements of the Yellow river, amended, which amendment was agreed to by the Senate and said resolution ordered to be enrolled.

Also the following resolution, viz :

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
JANUARY, 22d, 1839. }

Extract from the Journal.

Resolved, by the House of Representatives of the Territory of Florida, That it is the sense of this House, that under the act of Congress of 1838, reorganising the Legislative council of the Territory of Florida, it is necessary, that all nominations of His Excellency the Governor should receive the concurrence of this House as well as of the Senate.

Resolved, That without such concurrence, the commission of no officer civil or military can be valid.

Resolved, That a copy of these Resolutions be transmitted to the Hon. the Senate.

Passed, January 22d, 1839.

Att.

JOS. B. LANCASTER, C^{pl}k. H. R.

Which was read, and written copies furnished.

His Excellency, the Governor, transmitted to the Senate, by his honorable Secretary, Mr. Copland, the message which was ordered to be laid on the table.

On motion the Senate then adjourned until to-morrow 12 o'clock.

THURSDAY, January 24th, 1839.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment and the proceedings of yesterday were read.

Mr. Mills gives notice that he will on some future day ask leave to introduce a bill to amend the act incorporating the city of St. Augustine. Also, a bill concerning wrecks and wrecked property.

Mr. Hawkins gives notice that he will on an early day introduce a