

Your committee therefore ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Which report was concurred in.

The Senate then adjourned until Monday 12 o'clock.

MONDAY, JAN. 20th. 1840.

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

On motion of Mr. Mills, the documents relative to the claim of Benjamin G. Thomson, against this Territory, introduced into the Legislative Council at its last session, were referred to the state of the Territory.

Mr. Dupont, agreeable to previous notice, asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill to be entitled "An Act to repeal an act to amend an act concerning Dower," which was read a first and second time by its teller, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Wright gives notice that he will, on some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill to be entitled "An Act to increase the number of Senators, and to lay off the Territory into Senatorial Districts."

Mr. Hart gives notice that he will, on some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill to authorize Cyrus Briggs to build a ferry across Nassau river.

On motion, a bill to be entitled "An Act to prevent Duelling," was made the order of the day for Wednesday, and thirty copies ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Wright, a bill to be entitled "An Act to determine the fees of certain officers in this Territory, and for other purposes," was laid on the table.

The Senate went into committee of the whole on a bill to be entitled "An Act to prohibit the introduction of slaves into this territory for traffic or sale," Mr. Hart in the Chair. After sometime spent in its consideration, the committee rose and reported the bill as amended, which was concurred in.

The bill was read a third time by its teller, and ordered to be engrossed, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

The House of Representatives sent to the Senate the following message.

Which were read and laid on the table.

His Excellency the Governor transmitted to the Senate the following message, viz:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,  
Tallahassee, Jan. 20th 1840. }

*To the Hon. the Senate of the Territory of Florida.*

I respectfully submit to you,

- I. The account current of the Treasurer of Florida.
- II. A report of the Treasurer respecting school funds.
- III. A report from the Cashier of the Union Bank.

ROBERT RAYMOND REID.

Which was read and fifty copies ordered to be printed, with the accompanying documents.

Document No. I was referred to the Committee on Finance, No 2 to the committee on the State of the Territory, No. 3 to the committee on Finance and Banks.

A bill to be entitled "An Act to repeal an act granting appeals and writs of error in criminal cases," was read a third time and passed, ordered that the title be as above.

An Act to amend the several acts concerning notaries public, was read a third time and passed, ordered that the title be as above.

The Senate went into secret session on Executive business.

The Senate then adjourned until to-morrow.

TUESDAY, JAN. 21, 1840.

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

Mr. Walker, agreeable to previous notice, asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill, to be entitled "An Act to authorize the Judges of the Superior Courts to hold extra terms for the trial of criminal cases," which was read a first and second time, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Also, a bill to be entitled "An Act to alter and fix the time of holding the Superior Courts of Walton county," which was read a first and second time by its teller, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

Mr. Hawkins gives notice that he will, on some future day, introduce a bill in relation to attachments.

Mr. Berthelot, agreeable to previous notice, asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill to be entitled, "An act to provide against the suspension of specie payments by the banks of this Territory, which was read a first time, and written copies ordered.

Mr. Wright, agreeable to previous notice, asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill to be entitled an act to increase the number of judges, and to lay off the Territory into Senatorial Districts, which was read a first and second time, and