

A bill entitled, an act to change the time of holding the County Court of Walton county;

Which was read, the rule waived, passed, also,

A bill, before passed by the Senate, entitled, an act to prevent breaches of the peace and more effectually to preserve order, as lost, also,

An act to enlarge the jurisdiction of the County Court of Hillsborough county,

Which was read, the rule waived and passed, also,

A resolution requesting our Delegate to procure an appropriation for the construction of at least one good and sufficient jail in each judicial district of this Territory; which was read, the rule waived, and adopted, also.

An act to authorise the Judge of the County Court of Alachua county to appoint a Commissioner to make sales of town lots in the town of Newnapsville, and execute and deliver titles for the same to purchasers; which was read, the rule waived, and passed, also,

An act concerning Jurors in the Southern District, which was read and amended, the rule waived. On the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were called, by Messrs. Walker and Mills, and were,

Yeas—Messrs. Berthelot, Bailey, Duval, Dupont, Hart and Mills—6.

Nays—Mr. President and Mr. Walker—2.

So said bill passed as amended.

On motion, the preamble and resolution in relation to the joint resolution of the New Jersey Legislature was reconsidered and amended, by striking out the following words; 5th paragraph; 5th page, to wit: "suppose five convicts from the New Jersey Penitentiary, had bribed the Governor to give them the commission and broad seal, they must have been privileged from arrest, and taken their seats in the House of Representatives, and have voted for Speaker, although they might have been ousted afterwards." Also by adding to the resolution the following words to wit: "together with the vote upon the adoption of the report."

Mr. Dupont asked and obtained leave to introduce certain resolutions requesting our Delegate in Congress to urge upon the authorities of the United States, the settlement of all equitable claims of the Territory of Florida, for the expenses incurred in the defence of the country; which was twice read, the rule waived, and adopted.

The Senate then adjourned until half-past 3 o'clock, P. M.

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The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, there being no quorum present, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'clock.

FRIDAY, FEB. 28, 1840.

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

Messrs. Mills and Walker asked that the following protest be entered upon the journals, which was granted.

SENATE CHAMBER.
Tallahassee, Feb. 27, 1840.

The undersigned Senator hereby enters his protest against the report of the majority of the select committee to whom was referred the preamble and resolutions of the New Jersey Legislature, on the subject of the exclusion of Messrs. Aycrigg, Maxwell, Halstead, Stratton and Yorke, as members of the House Representatives of the 26th Congress, from New Jersey, on the following grounds:

1st. That the certificate of election under the broad seal of the State, was in accordance with the laws of New Jersey.

2nd. That in any event the acting clerk of the House of Representatives acted illegally and contrary to all precedent in refusing to call the members so certified as elected.

3d. That the Senators of the State of New Jersey, counter to that of the Governor of the State.

4th. That according to the Constitution of the United States, each house of Congress have alone the right to judge of election returns, and qualifications of their own members, and that the action of the Clerk and House of Representatives has been in this matter contrary to law, and is a daring usurpation of power, and a mortal stab against the rights of the people of the State of New Jersey, and the example a dangerous one, and calculated to alarm the people of the United States.

W. J. MILLS,
GEO. WALKER.

Mr. Duval, from the Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred an act for the relief of William H. Jones, of Escambia county, reported unfavorably on the same.

Also, a bill entitled an act to alter the time of holding the County Court in Franklin county, amended.

Also, a bill entitled an act to legalize the election for county officers in the county of Jackson, without amendment.

Also, unfavorably on a bill entitled an act concerning partition of property.

On motion, said bills were ordered for to-day.

Mr. Mills, from the committee on the militia, reported a substitute for the resolution for the relief of Charles Dempsey Pittman and Staff.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act concerning the Seminole Indians, with amendment.

Also, a substitute for a bill entitled an act for relief of the legal representatives of Francis A. Ross, late Sheriff of Calhoun county.

On motion, said resolution and bills were ordered for to-day.

Mr. Dupont, from the Finance committee, to whom was referred a resolution for the relief of Betton & Fisher, reported favorably on the same, which was ordered for to-day.

An act to alter the time of holding the county Courts of Jackson county, was again read and passed as amended.

An act concerning partition of property was again read and indefinitely postponed.

An act to legalize the election for county officers in the county of Jackson, was read the third time and passed.

An act for the relief of William H. Jones, of Escambia county, was again read and indefinitely postponed.

The substitute reported for the relief of Col. Dempsey Pittman and Staff, was again read and adopted.

An act concerning the Seminole Indians was again read. On the question of its passage the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Walker and Mills, and were,

Yeas—Messrs. Bailey Berthelot, Duval, Dupont, Hart and Mills—6.

Nays—Mr. President and Walker—2.

So said bill passed as amended, ordered that the title be as above.

The substitute reported for the bill entitled an act for the relief of the legal representatives of Francis A. Ross, late Sheriff of Calhoun county, was again read and passed.

A resolution for the relief of Betton & Fisher, was again read and adopted.

The Senate went into committee of the whole, Mr. Walker in the chair, on a bill before passed by the House, entitled an act for the relief of the Trustees of Leon Academy. After some time spent in its consideration, the committee rose and reported progress, and asked leave to sit again, which was concurred in.

On motion, the bill was referred to the committee on Schools and Colleges.

The Senate received from the House as passed, a substitute for an act to authorize the appointment of commissioners to take testimony in cases of claims for losses during the Seminole war, (before passed by the Senate) entitled an act concerning Indian depredations, which was rejected.

The Senate received from the House as passed an act relative to open accounts, which was read a first and second time, the rule waived, and ordered for to-day.

The Senate went into committee of the whole, Mr. Hart in the chair, on a bill entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act, relating to crimes and misdemeanors committed by slaves, free negroes, and mulattoes, before passed by the House, after some time spent in its consideration, the committee rose and reported the same without amendment—which was concurred in. The bill was again read and passed—ordered that the title be as above.

The Senate received from the House, as passed, "An act for the relief of Joseph Hull," which was read, on the question of the indefinite postponement, the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Duval and Hart, and were Yeas, Messrs. Hart and Walker, 2—Nays, Mr. Presi-

dent, Messrs. Baily, Berthelot, Duval, Dupont, and Mills, 6—so said motion was lost.

The bill was again read and passed.

The Senate received from the House, their concurrence in an amendment made by the Senate, to a bill entitled "an act to repeal the second section of the act, approved 10th February, 1838, supplemental to several acts, incorporating the Bank of Pensacola, and to revive the 8th section of an act to increase the capital of the Bank of Pensacola, and to amend the laws incorporating said Bank and for other purposes, approved, 14th Feb. 1835."

Also their adoption of the resolution, before adopted by the Senate, for the payment of P. A. Hayward for the binding of Duval's compilation of the laws of Florida.

An act relative to open accounts, was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Berthelot to whom was referred a bill entitled "an act for the relief of the trustees of Leon Academy," reported a substitute for said bill, entitled "an act in relation to the trustees of Leon county," which substitute was received and passed, ordered that the title be as above.

The Senate then took a recess until 4 o'clock.

4 O'CLOCK.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, there being no business before them, adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'clock.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 1840.

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

Mr. Mills offered the following Resolution:

Resolved by the Governor and Legislative Council of the Territory of Florida, That all claims allowed by the Auditor of the Territory, under the resolution of March, 4th, 1839, for supplies of subsistence, forage, and transportation, which may have been furnished by any of the citizens of the Territory, for the Territorial troops, shall be transferred to the Quartermaster's Department, and the Quartermaster General is required to pay the said claims out of the funds raised on the credit of the Territory, for the support of the troops ordered into service by the Governor;

Which was read, the rule being waived, and adopted.

Mr. Duval, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported, an act relative to open accounts, as amended; which was ordered for to-day.

Mr. Mills from the committee on the State of the Territory, to whom was referred the claims of B. G. Thornton, made the following report: