

JOURNAL OF THE SENATE

OF THE

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA:

Begun and held at the Capitol, in the city of Tallahassee, in the State of Florida, on Monday the twenty-third day of June, eighteen hundred and forty-five, being the first Session of the General Assembly held under the Constitution of the State of Florida.

On which day, the Senate was called to order by THOS. F. KING, Secretary of the Senate of the late Legislative Council.

A Certificate of the Secretary of the Territory and the Constitutional Committee, showing the names of those who, according to the election returns, received by them, had the greatest number of votes for Governor, Representative to Congress, and Members of the General Assembly, was then read.

The roll was called, and the following members answered to their names:

From the 3d Senatorial District—	Thomas M. White.
“ “ 4th “ “	Joel Porter.
“ “ 5th “ “	Geo. S. Hawkins.
“ “ 6th “ “	Robert B. Haughton.
“ “ 7th “ “	James A. Berthelot and David S. Walker.
“ “ 8th “ “	William Bellamy.
“ “ 9th “ “	Dennitt H. Mays.
“ “ 10th “ “	Daniel Bell.
“ “ 11th “ “	Jesse Carter.
“ “ 12th “ “	Gabriel Priest.
“ “ 13th “ “	John Broward.
“ “ 14th “ “	Adam S. Goodbread.
“ “ 15th “ “	George Center.

On motion by Mr. Berthelot, Mr. Broward was called to the chair. On motion by Mr. Hawkins, the session was opened with prayer by the Rev. G. A. Mallett.

On motion by Mr. Berthelot, the members present presented their certificates and were sworn by Hon. James E. Broome, Judge of Leon County Court.

Mr. McLean from the second Senatorial District, presented a certificate from the Clerk of the County Court of Washington County, showing that Daniel G. McLean had received the highest number of votes for Senator of said District, differing from the returns received by the Secretary of the Territory and the Constitutional Committee, which gave Washington Tabor the highest number of votes, but were not complete.

On motion by Mr. Berthelot, Mr. McLean was sworn and took his seat.

On motion by Mr. Carter, the Senate adjourned until 3 o'clock, P. M.

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On motion by Mr. Hawkins, the Senate proceeded to the election of President.

The Hon. James A. Berthelot was unanimously elected.

On motion, Messrs. Hawkins and Priest were appointed a committee to conduct the President to the Chair.

The committee performed that duty, and the President returned his acknowledgments in an appropriate and forcible address.

On motion by Mr. Haughton, the Senate proceeded to the election of Chief Secretary of the Senate.

Thomas F. King was unanimously elected.

On motion by Mr. Center, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

TUESDAY, JUNE 24th, 1845.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and a quorum being present, yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

On motion of Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Wright, Senator elect from the first Senatorial District, presented a certificate of his election from the Clerk of Escambia County Court, and was sworn by the Hon. James E. Broome.

The President of the Senate and the Chief Secretary were then also qualified by the Hon. James E. Broome.

On motion of Mr. Haughton the rules of the Senate of the last Legislative Council were adopted for the present government of the Senate, and a committee of three was appointed to draft others for the government of the Senate during its present session.

Messrs. Haughton, Mays and Wright, were appointed that Committee.

Mr. Walker offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Committee of five be appointed to report resolutions expressing the regret of the Senate at the intelligence received this morning of the death of General Jackson, that this motion be adopted unanimously by the Senators rising from their seats; that the Senate adjourn until 4 o'clock, P. M., in order that the Committee might have time to report; and that no further business be transacted to-day by the Senate after acting on the resolutions to be reported.

Which resolution was adopted accordingly by the Senators a-standing.

Messrs. Walker, Haughton, Hawkins, Center and Carter were appointed that committee.

The Senate adjourned until 4 o'clock, P. M.