

38. Messengers may be introduced in any stage of the business except while a question is being put, or while the yeas and nays are being called.

39. The Governor of the State, former Governors of the Territory, Senators and Representatives from this State in the Congress of the United States, State House officers, members of the Representative branch of the General Assembly, and Judges of the Superior, Chancery and Circuit Courts of this State, shall be admitted to a seat within the bar of the Senate chamber, and any other person upon the invitation of a member of the Senate.

40. The Secretary of the Senate, Sergeant-at-Arms, and Messenger, shall be severally sworn by the President, well and faithfully to discharge their respective duties, and to keep secret the proceedings of the Senate, when sitting with closed doors.

41. No member who was without the bar of the Senate when the question was put by the Chair, shall be permitted to vote on the question then before the Senate, without the unanimous consent of the Senate.

42. No rule herein adopted for the government of the Senate shall be amended or suspended without the consent of four-fifths of the Senate.

The 3d, 4th, 5th and 6th of the resolutions offered by the President, not amended in committee of the whole, were ordered to a second reading.

The following communication was received from the House and read:

HOUSE REPRESENTATIVES, June 26, 1845.

Hon. President of the Senate,

The House have appointed Messrs. Goff, Riley and Cotten a committee to act with the committee appointed by the Senate, to prepare the Executive Office for the reception of his Excellency, supply it suitable furniture, stationery, &c., and then conduct his Excellency to it, and put him in possession of the same.

Your obedient servant,
M. D. PAPY, Clk. Ho. Rep.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

The resolution relative to furnishing journals to every precinct in the State;

Was read a second time, and laid on the table.

The resolution from the House respecting the election of Senators to Congress on Tuesday, which was laid on the table till to-day,

Was taken up and laid on the table till to-morrow.

The resolution respecting Colors for the State,

Came up on its third reading.

Mr. Haughton moved to recommit the resolution to the committee that reported it, which motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Hawkins, the resolution was laid on the table until Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Hawkins, fifty copies of the Rules for the government of the Senate were ordered to be printed.

Mr. Broward moved that each Senator supply himself with his own stationary at his own expense, during the present session of the Senate;

On which motion the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Hawkins and Mays, and were,

Yeas—Messrs. Bellamy, Broward, Carter and Walker—4.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Bell, Center, Goodbread, Haughton, Hawkins, Mays, McLean, Porter, Priest, White and Wright—12.

So the motion was lost.

The Senate adjourned until to-morrow, 10 o'clock, A. M.

SATURDAY, June 28th, 1845.

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

Mr. White offered the following preamble and resolutions:

WHEREAS, his Excellency the President of the United States of America has, in pursuance of law, declared and made known that public sales will be held at the different land offices in Florida, to wit:—at Newnansville, 11th August next; at St. Augustine, on the 18th day of August next; at Tallahassee, on the 11th day of August next: And whereas, many of the good people of Florida have settled on the public lands, with the wish and expectation of being able to purchase the small tracts of land on which they have established their homesteads: And whereas, said people pursue agriculture entirely for subsistence, and for means wherewith to purchase their homes, which pursuit yields its reward but once in the year: And whereas, for the reason above stated, said people will be totally unable to purchase their pre-emptions, if the lands are sold till sometime during the ensuing winter, and said lands will probably fall into the hands of speculators, and said people be turned out of their homes, or the lands remain unsold for the want of means to purchase: And whereas, from the general scarcity of money in Florida during the summer months, a postponement cannot possibly injure the government, but must benefit it, by almost certain enhanced price, in consequence of greater competition. Therefore,

Be it Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Florida, That his Excellency the President be hereby respectfully requested to issue another proclamation, postponing said sales till on or near the first day of January next, and that pre-emption claimants on said lands have the privilege extended to them until said postponed day of sale, of establishing their claims, and making payment therefor.

Be it further Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor of Flo-

tida, be requested to forward this preamble and resolution to the President of the United States as early as possible.

Which were read the first time, the rule waived, read a second and third time and adopted unanimously.

Mr. Wright offered the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate be authorized and directed to employ such number of Clerks as may be necessary to engross and enroll the bills and resolutions, and record the Journals of the Senate : such Clerks to be allowed and paid at the rate of — cents per hundred words for engrossing and recording, and — cents per hundred words for enrolling.

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate be authorized and directed to purchase, for the use of the State, a blank book of suitable size and description, for recording therein the Journals and proceedings of the Senate.

Which were read the first time.

Mr. Wall, Senator elect from the 16th Senatorial District, appeared, and on motion of Mr. Hawkins, was sworn by the Hon. Mr. Kelly, Justice of the Peace for Escambia County, and took his seat.

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The 3d, 4th, 5th and 6th of the resolutions offered by the President on yesterday, came up on a second reading ;

The President offered the following as a substitute for said resolutions :

Resolved, That the standing committees, to be appointed, do consist of three members of the Senate ; and that said committees take into immediate consideration the propriety and necessity of reporting to this present Senate such bills as the several sections in the said several articles of the Constitution of the State of Florida, authorizes this General Assembly to enact.

Be it further Resolved, That the Secretary of the Territory be requested to furnish each member of the Senate with a copy of Duval's Compilation of the laws of Florida and of the Constitution of the State of Florida.

Which, the rule being waived, were read the third time and adopted.

The resolution, from the House, that the two Houses go into the election of Senators to Congress on Tuesday next, which was laid on the table until to-day, was taken up, the rule waived, read a second and third time and adopted without amendment.

Mr. Walker offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That each Senator draw upon the Secretary for as much Stationery as he may wish ; and that the Secretary keep a record of the quantities furnished to each Senator.

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Hawkins, the words, " XVIII A Committee on Enrolled Bills," were added to the 32d rule adopted yesterday.

On motion of Mr. McLean, Mr. Haughton had leave of absence until Monday next.

The following communication was received from the House ;
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, June 28th, 1845.

To the President of the Senate :

The House have adopted the following resolution, viz :

Resolved, That a committee of two be appointed by the Speaker on the part of this House, to act with a similar committee on the part of the Senate, to report joint rules to regulate the intercourse between the two Houses, and also for the guidance of the Assembly, while electing persons to office.

To which, the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

Messrs. Smith and Brown, of Leon, have been appointed said committee on the part of the House.

Your obedient servant,

M. D. PAPY, Clerk Ho. Rep.

Which resolution was adopted, and Messrs. Wright and Carter appointed a committee on the part of the Senate.

The President announced the following standing committees :

1. *Committee on Declaration of Rights.*—Messrs. B. D. Wright, D. S. Walker, J. Carter.
2. *Committee on the distribution of the powers of Government.*—Messrs. D. G. McLean, J. Broward, G. Priest.
3. *Committee on Executive Department.*—Messrs. Geo. S. Hawkins, Wm. Bellamy, Geo. Center.
4. *Committee on the Legislative Department.*—Messrs. R. B. Haughton, Joel Porter, D. H. Mays.
5. *Committee on the Judicial Department.*—Messrs. D. S. Walker, Geo. S. Hawkins, R. B. Haughton.
6. *Committee on the right of suffrage, and qualification of Officers Civil Offices, and impeachment and removals from Office.*—Messrs. D. H. Mays, Jno. Broward, A. S. Goodbread.
7. *Committee on Militia.*—Messrs. Danl. Bell, J. Carter, Joe Porter.
8. *Committee on Taxation and Revenue.*—Messrs. Jno. Broward, Jesse Carter, W. W. Wall.
9. *Committee on Census and' apportionment of Representation.*—Messrs. J. Carter, G. Priest, J. Broward.
10. *Committee on Education.*—Messrs. T. M. White, D. S. Walker, D. G. McLean.
11. *Committee on Public Domain and Internal Improvement.*—Messrs. Geo. Center, D. H. Mays, G. Priest.
12. *Committee on Boundary.*—Messrs. G. Priest, R. B. Haughton, A. S. Goodbread.
13. *Committee on Banks and other Corporations.*—Messrs. W. Bellamy, Geo. Center, W. H. Wall.
14. *Committee on amendments and revision of the Constitution.*—Messrs. Joel Porter, Daniel Bell, D. G. McLean.
15. *Committee on the seat of Government.*—Messrs. A. S. Goodbread, D. S. Walker, T. M. White.

16. *Committee on General Provisions.*—Messrs. Geo. S. Hawkins, D. H. Mays, G. Priest.

17. *Committee on Schedule and Ordinance.*—Messrs. W. H. Wall, Daniel Bell, Jesse Carter.

18. *Committee on Enrolled Bills.*—R. B. Haughton, D. H. Mays, T. M. White.

On motion of Mr. Priest, the Senate adjourned until Monday, 10 o'clock.

MONDAY, June 30th, 1845.

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

There being no other business, the Senate proceeded to the

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

The Resolution relative to the employment of Clerks, and purchase of a book, for recording the proceedings of the Senate, came up on a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Wright, the Senate resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, Mr. Hawkins in the Chair, on said resolutions; and after some time spent therein, rose and reported back the resolutions, with amendments, by filling up the first blank in the first resolution by inserting "eight," and the second blank in the same resolution, by inserting "ten."

Which amendments were concurred in, and the rule being waived, the resolutions were adopted.

The resolution respecting Colors of the State, which was laid on the table until to-day, came up, and on motion of Mr. Walker, was laid on the table until Wednesday next.

The Senate then adjourned until to-morrow, 9 o'clock, A. M.

TUESDAY, July 1st, 1845.

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

Mr. Wall gave notice that he will, on some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled, An act assenting to the purchase by the United States of certain land on the island of Key West, and ceding the jurisdiction of the State of Florida over the same, under certain conditions and limitations.

Mr. Walker, from the select committee appointed to prepare a suitable room for his Excellency, the Governor, reported that the committee had performed that duty, and that his Excellency was in possession of his room.

Which report was concurred in.

Mr. Wright, from the joint select committee appointed to draft rules for the two Houses, reported the following rules:

JOINT RULES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

RULE 1. Messages from either House to the other shall be sent by such persons as a sense of propriety in each House may determine.

2. After a bill shall have passed both Houses, it shall be duly enrolled by the Clerk of the House of Representatives, or by the Secretary of the Senate, as the bill may have originated in one or the other House.

3. When bills shall be enrolled, they shall be examined by a Joint Committee of at least two from the Senate, and two from the House of Representatives, appointed as a Standing Committee for that purpose, who shall forthwith make report.

4. When a bill or resolution, which shall have passed in one House is rejected in the other, notice thereof shall be given to the House in which the same may have passed:

5. When a bill or resolution which has been passed in one House, shall be rejected in the other, it shall not be brought in during the same session, without notice of ten days, and leave of two-thirds of that House in which it shall be moved.

6. Each House shall transmit to the other all papers on which any bill or resolution shall be founded.

7. No bill that shall have passed one House, shall be sent for concurrence to the other, on either of the last three days of the session.

8. After each House shall have adhered to their disagreement, a bill or resolution shall be lost.

9. When elections are required to be made by joint vote of the two Houses, the time of electing shall be previously agreed upon, and each House shall communicate the nominations made therein to the other, prior to the voting.

10. Each House shall communicate to the other the nominations, and the result of each voting.

11. In every Joint Committee the member first named on the part of the House first proposing such Committee, shall convene the same.

12. During the election of officers there shall be no motions entertained, except to adjourn, to proceed to vote, to nominate and to withdraw a candidate—which motions shall have precedence in the order they stand.

13. The doings throughout shall proceed without debate.

14. Communications shall be made on paper, and signed by the presiding officer of each House, and transmitted through the Messenger or Door Keeper.

15. In the election for the Senate of the United States, both Senators shall be voted for at the same time, until one or both of them shall be chosen.

16. In every case of disagreement between the Senate and House of Representatives, either House may suggest conference, and appoint a Committee for that purpose, and the other House shall also appoint a Committee to confer at a convenient hour, to be designated by the Chairman; said Committees shall meet, and confer freely on the subject of disagreement.