

Nay—Mr. D. J. Smith, 1.

Said bill passed. Title as stated. Ordered that the same be certified to the House.

House bill to be entitled, An act to change certain precincts in Columbia County, was read the first time, the rule waived, read a second and third time by its title, and on the question of its passage the yeas and nays were :

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Aldrich, Austin, Avery, Brown, Costin, Crawford, Floyd, Forward, Ghent, Lorimer, Moseley, Sanderson, J. M. Smith, Tweed, Watts and White, 17.

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Said bill passed; title as stated; ordered to be certified to the House.

House bill to be entitled, An act to incorporate the Florida and Georgia Rail Road Company, was, on motion, read the first time by its title, the rule waived, read a second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

House bill to be entitled, An act to encourage and facilitate Internal Improvements, and to authorize and regulate Partnerships for that purpose.

Was, on motion, read the first time by its title, and ordered to a second reading to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Ghent, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'clock, A. M.

TUESDAY, January 2, 1849.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Rev. Mr. Choice officiated as Chaplain.

A quorum being present, on motion of Mr. Avery, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The following communication was transmitted to His Excellency the Governor :

SENATE CHAMBER, January 2, 1849.

His Excellency W. D. MOSELEY, Governor, &c.

SIR:—I have the honor to transmit for the approval of your Excellency, bill to be entitled, An act to permanently locate the county site of Washington county, and for other purposes therein contained,

Passed by the two Houses of the General Assembly, and signed by the presiding officers thereof.

Respectfully,

C. W. DOWNING,
Secretary Senate.

The following was ordered to be spread upon the Journal :

The Senator from Leon voted against the bill to be entitled, An act to provide for the increase, investment, safe keeping, and disbursement of the common school funds, not because he is opposed to the enactment of a law to establish and provide for the payment of schools throughout the State, but for the reason that he believes the

Legislature has no right to dispose of funds arising from the sales of the 16th sections, nor to sell those lands, unless by a special act of Congress.

J. H. T. LORIMER.

Pursuant to previous notice, Mr. Tweed introduced a bill to be entitled, An act to define the eastern boundary of the county of Santa Rosa.

Which was read the first time, the rule waived, read a second time by its title, and referred to a select committee consisting of Messrs. Tweed, Avery, and Ghent.

Mr. Watts gave notice that he would, at some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill to be entitled, An act to amend the law of attachment in force in this State.

Mr. Burritt, from the Committee on the Judiciary, presented the following report :

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was recommended the bill to be entitled, "An act for the relief of Occupying Claimants," have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report it back to the Senate with the following amendments.

S. L. BURRITT, Chairman.

On motion the bill as amended was laid upon the table, and 75 copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. Forward, from the Committee on Engrossed bills, presented the following Report :

The Committee on Engrossed Bills, beg leave to report as correctly engrossed,

An act to amend the revenue laws of this State as regards hawkers and pedlars and itinerant traders, and

An act relating to the duties of Tax Assessors and Tax Collectors, and for other purposes.

WILLIAM A. FORWARD, Chairman.

Mr. Ghent, from a Select Committee, presented the following report :

The select committee, to whom was referred the petition of Thos. Liscoe, a citizen of Walton county, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report the accompanying bill to be entitled, An act to amend the revenue laws in force in this State, and recommend that the same be passed by the Senate.

JOHN GHENT, Chairman.

The bill therein reported, was, on motion, read the first time, the rule waived, read a second and third time by its title, and on the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were :

Yeas—Messrs. Aldrich, Austin, Avery, Brown, Burritt, Costin, Crawford, Floyd, Forward, Ghent, Lorimer, Moseley, Sanderson, D. J. Smith, J. M. Smith, Watts and White—17.

Nays—None.

Said bill passed—title as stated. Ordered to be certified to the House.

The following message from His Excellency the Governor was read :

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Tallahassee, Jan. 2, 1849. }

Gentlemen of the Senate
and of the House of Representatives:

The following Acts and Resolutions, passed during your present session, are approved, to wit:

Resolution authorizing the Governor to appoint a Commissioner to investigate the claims of Captain George E. McClelland's company for services rendered, and forage and subsistence furnished during the Florida war;

Resolutions urging upon Congress the passage of a law granting land to the officers and soldiers who served in the Indian war in Florida:

Resolution urging upon Congress the payment of certain companies of Florida volunteers;

Resolutions providing for the refunding of certain overpaid taxes;

Resolutions remonstrating against the removal of the military munitions, ordnance stores and small arms, from the garrison in the city of St. Augustine, and asking for further protection to the Eastern frontier of the Peninsula of Florida;

An act to grant pre-emption rights to settlers on State lands;

An act to establish the records of the county of Jackson, and for other purposes;

An act requiring Solicitors to make reports of the state and progress of cases, civil and criminal, in which the State is a party;

An act to declare East River, in Walton county, a navigable stream;

An act to repeal the road laws in and for the county of Franklin;

An act to provide for the sale of the sixteenth sections granted by Congress to the State for the Public Schools, and for consolidating the School Fund;

An act to amend an act entitled an act to prevent the circulation of change bills;

An act to incorporate St. John's Lodge, No. 12, in the city of St. Augustine;

An act to locate the county site of Benton county;

An act to establish the county lines of St. John's;

An act to empower Green R. Farmer and William T. Pebles to assume the management of their own estates.

Very respectfully,
W. D. MOSELEY.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Engrossed bill to be entitled, An act relating to the duties of Tax Assessors and Tax Collectors, and for other purposes.

Was read the third time, and on the question of its passage the yeas and nays were:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Aldrich, Costin, Forward, Moseley, Sanderson, D. J. Smith, Watts and White—9.

Nays—Messrs. Avery, Burritt, Crawford, Floyd, Lorimer, J. M. Smith and Tweed—7.

Said bill passed. Title as stated. Ordered to be certified to the House.

Engrossed bill to be entitled, An act to amend the Revenue Law of this State, as regards Hawkers, Pedlars and Itinerant Traders,

Was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Aldrich, Austin, Avery, Burritt, Costin, Crawford, Floyd, Forward, Lorimer, Moseley, Sanderson, D. J. Smith, J. M. Smith, Tweed, Watts and White—17.

Nays—None.

Said bill passed. Title as stated. Ordered to be certified to the House.

House bill to be entitled, An act to locate permanently the county site of Calhoun county, and for other purposes,

Was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Aldrich, Austin, Avery, Crawford, Lorimer, Moseley, Sanderson, D. J. Smith, J. M. Smith, Tweed, Watts and White—13.

Nays—Messrs. Brown, Costin, Floyd and Forward—4.

Said bill passed. Title as stated. Ordered to be certified to the House.

House bill to be entitled, An act compensating Lewis H. Miller for taking the census of Holmes county in 1848,

Was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Aldrich, Austin, Avery, Brown, Burritt, Crawford, Ghent, Lorimer, Sanderson, D. J. Smith, Tweed, Watts and White—14.

Nays—Messrs. Costin, Forward, Moseley and J. M. Smith—4.

Said bill passed. Title as stated. Ordered that the same be certified to the House.

House bill to be entitled, An act to encourage and facilitate Internal Improvements, and to authorize and regulate partnerships for that purpose, was, on motion of Mr. Moseley, made the special order for to-morrow.

House bill to be entitled, An act relating to the mode of appointment and duties of Auctioneers. The Senate, in Committee of the Whole, resumed the consideration of said bill, Mr. Burritt in the Chair. After some time spent therein, the Committee rose, and by their Chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again; which was granted.

Mr. Ghent moved that said bill be indefinitely postponed.

On which the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Costin and Forward, and were:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Austin, Avery, Crawford, Floyd, Ghent, Lorimer, D. J. Smith, White—9.

Nays—Messrs. Aldrich, Brown, Burritt, Costin, Forward, Moseley, Sanderson, J. M. Smith, Tweed, Watts—10.

Said motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Forward, the rule was waived, and he allowed to move that the House resolution, relative to the adjournment *sine die* of the General Assembly on the 10th instant, be taken from the table, and placed among the orders.

Which motion prevailed.

Said resolution was read a second time.

Mr. White moved to amend by inserting "12th" in lieu of "10th."

On which the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Forward and Floyd, and were:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Aldrich, Austin, Brown, Crawford, Forward, Sanderson, J. M. Smith, Tweed, Watts, White—11.

Nays—Messrs. Avery, Burritt, Costin, Floyd, Ghent, Lorimer, Moseley, D. J. Smith—8.

Said motion prevailed.

Said resolution was, on motion, passed over informally to be called up at any time at the will of the Senate.

The following communication from the Comptroller was read:

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, January 2, 1849.

Honorable President of the Senate:

SIR:—I have the honor to enclose herewith an estimate of the income and expenditure of this State for this and the next fiscal year, in accordance with resolution passed by the Senate the 1st instant.

I am, &c., very respectfully,

SIMON TOWLE, Comptroller.

On motion of Mr. Forward, ordered that 250 copies of the accompanying documents be printed.

On motion of Mr. Sanderson, the rule was waived, and he allowed to introduce the following preamble and resolutions:

WHEREAS, a Rail Road is about to be constructed from the St. Mary's River, on the Atlantic Coast, to Cedar Keys on the Gulf, thereby rendering it highly important that every facility to commerce should be afforded at that point, as a port: *And whereas*, the nearest port of entry and delivery is St. Marks, a distance of a hundred miles from Cedar Keys: *And whereas*, great inconvenience and delay is now occasioned, without any corresponding good to the citizens residing in that section of country, and doing business at that point, in consequence of the port of Cedar Keys not being a port of entry and delivery. Therefore

Be it Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Florida, in General Assembly convened, That our Senators and Representative in Congress be requested to procure the establishment of a port of entry and delivery at Cedar Keys, on the Gulf of Mexico, situate in Levy county.

Be it further Resolved, That certified copies hereof, signed by the proper officers of the General Assembly, be transmitted by the Governor to our Senators and Representative in Congress.

Which were read the first time, the rule waived, read a second and third time by their title, and passed.

Ordered to be certified to the House.

The following communication was transmitted to his Excellency the Governor:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, January 1, 1848.

To His Excellency W. D. MOSELEY, Governor, &c.:

SIR—We have the honor to inform your Excellency that at a Joint meeting of the General Assembly, held this day, for the purpose of electing an United States Senator, and Solicitors for the several Judicial Circuits of this State, Mr. Jackson Morton, of Escambia county, was declared duly elected Senator to the Congress of the United States;

Mr. John P. Sanderson, of Columbia county, was declared duly elected Solicitor for the Eastern Judicial Circuit;

Mr. James Landrum, of Walton county, was declared duly elected Solicitor for the Western Judicial Circuit;

Mr. Samuel B. Stephens, of Gadsden county, was declared duly elected Solicitor for the Middle Judicial Circuit;

And Mr. Ossian B. Hart, of Monroe county, was declared duly elected Solicitor for the Southern Judicial Circuit of this State.

Respectfully,

C. W. DOWNING,

Secretary Senate.

W. B. LANCASTER,

Clerk House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. White, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow, 10 o'clock, A. M.

WEDNESDAY, January 3, 1849.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Rev. Mr. Choice officiated as Chaplain.

A quorum being present; on motion of Mr. Aldrich, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Mr. Sanderson, the rule was waived, and he allowed to introduce a bill to be entitled, An act to provide for the payment of the salary, travelling and other expenses of the Register of the Public Lands, out of the public moneys in his hands;

Also, a bill to be entitled, An act in relation to the Comptroller's Office;

Which were read the first time, and ordered to a second reading to-morrow.

Mr. Costin presented the memorial of certain citizens of Duval county, which was read, and referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Messrs. Costin, Forward and Tweed.

Mr. Crawford offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That the General Assembly proceed, on Friday next, 12 o'clock, M., to the election of Attorney