

tatives of the State of Florida in General Assembly convened, That there be appropriated from the internal improvement fund of this State the sum of three thousand dollars, for the purpose of digging a Canal from the waters of Indian river to the waters of Halifax river, in the county of Orange, at or near a place called the Haulover, between said rivers.

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

Yeas—Messrs. Aldrich, Brown, Forward, Lorimer, Sanderson, J. M. Smith—6.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Austin, Avery, Crawford, Floyd, Moseley, D. J. Smith, Tweed, Watts, White—10.

Said motion was lost.

The Senate refused to order said bill to be engrossed for a third reading.

House bill to be entitled, An act to alter and amend the Militia laws of this State, was read the second time.

Mr. Floyd moved that said bill be laid upon the table.

On which the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Sanderson and Tweed, and were:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Aldrich, Avery, Floyd, Forward, Moseley, D. J. Smith, J. M. Smith, Watts and White—10.

Nays—Messrs. Austin, Brown, Crawford, Lorimer, Sanderson and Tweed—6.

Said motion prevailed.

House bill to be entitled, An act amendatory of the pilot laws now in force in this State, was read the second time, the rule waived, read a third time by its title, and on the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Aldrich, Austin, Brown, Floyd, Moseley, Sanderson, J. M. Smith and White—9.

Nays—Messrs. Avery, Crawford, Forward, D. J. Smith and Tweed—5.

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

Bill to be entitled, An act to amend the law of attachment in force in this State, was read the second time, and on the question of engrossing said bill for a third reading to-morrow, the yeas and nays were:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Austin, Crawford, Floyd, Lorimer, Sanderson, J. M. Smith, Tweed and Watts—9.

Nays—Messrs. Aldrich, Avery, Brown, Forward, Moseley, D. J. Smith and White—7.

Said bill was therefore ordered to be engrossed for a third reading to-morrow.

Bill to be entitled, An act to prescribe an equal and uniform mode of taxation, and for other purposes;

Mr. Tweed moved that said bill be laid upon the table; on which

the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Sanderson and Tweed, and were:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Aldrich, Austin, Brown, Crawford, Lorimer, Moseley, D. J. Smith, Tweed, Watts, and White—11.

Nays—Messrs. Avery, Forward, Sanderson, J. M. Smith—4.

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

WEDNESDAY, January 10, 1849.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Rev. Mr. Choice officiated as Chaplain.

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

On motion of Mr. Crawford the nominations made on Monday last by His Excellency the Governor, of G. G. Holt and John Denham as auctioneers for the County of Wakulla, were advised and consented to by the Senate.

Mr. Lorimer moved to reconsider the vote had on yesterday relative to the amendment (which was adopted) of Mr. Forward to the bill to be entitled, An act to render taxation more equitable by imposing a tax upon subjects heretofore exempt, and reducing the rates upon subjects now taxed.

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

Yeas—Messrs. Aldrich, Austin, Brown, Burritt, Crawford, Lorimer, D. J. Smith, Tweed, White—9.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Avery, Floyd, Forward, Moseley, J. M. Smith—6.

Said motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Burritt, House bill to be entitled, An act to amend an act entitled an act to regulate the pilotage of the bar of the river St. Johns, was taken from the table and placed among the orders.

Mr. J. M. Smith presented preamble and resolution relative to the subject of international exchange.

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

Ordered to be certified to the House.

The following reports from standing Committees were read:

The Committee on Federal Relations to whom was referred the report on the subject of international exchanges, by Mons. Alexander Vattemare, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to

REPORT:

That the scheme submitted to the State of Florida through its Executive and its Senators in Congress, in which its participation is invited,

is one which is characterized by an enlightened policy, and in its execution would prove eminently advantageous. The plan of international, literary and scientific exchanges has been so fully developed in the memorial submitted by its learned projector, Mr. Alexander Vattemare, and which accompanies this report, that your committee is spared the labor of any extended remarks upon the subject. The proceedings taken by the Congress and Executive of the United States, and of several of the States of this Union, in furtherance of the scheme, while they afford the strongest assurance of its wisdom and policy, suggest also the appropriate mode to be adopted by other States which may desire to unite in its accomplishment and participate in its benefits. That it promises to the new State of Florida more than a mere reciprocity of benefits, becomes apparent when we regard the moderate requisition which it asks and cheerfully receives from the several States, and the munificent returns in scarce and valuable books and documents which it has invariably conferred in return. Regarding the actual condition of many of the States of this Union, now settled and sparsely inhabited, with no repositories of ancient records, no extensive collection or variety of books, where withal to enter upon equal terms into this literary and scientific exchange, this liberal scheme exacts no more than the circumstances of each may enable it to afford without burthen or inconvenience, and never graduates its returns by any rigid calculation of cost or value.

From the State of Florida, for instance, the generous patron and originator of this scheme would cheerfully accept whatever recent historical records alone enable us to offer: copies of the Constitution and laws of our State, as already published, together with the future series of our laws and public documents. Of the first, we could readily furnish at once in a suitable form, in a number of Thompson's Digest, a most acceptable contribution to the collection making in Europe of similar state documents; and we could continue the contribution for the future, by directing to the same destination the requisite number of future state laws and public documents as they respectively are published. So if in the further progress of our history in the further exploration of our new territory, literary or scientific treasures should be accumulated, any excess or abundance of these would constitute a valuable fund for future exchanges. These subjects make up the "material stores" whereon our partnership in this grand international concern may be founded, and with a very light cost to the State, for which the return would be more than equivalent.

But another part of the scheme contemplates the establishment of central agencies in Europe and the United States—"the machinery" which is deemed necessary to give to it effect and permanency. The details of this part of the scheme are embraced in the report of Mr. Vattemare, accompanying this, in which it is seen that to meet the expenses of the plan, and to engage suitable agency in carrying it on, a permanent annual fund of \$10,000 is requisite. Of this fund

the government of the United States and Legislatures of seven of the states are already pledged to furnish the annual amount of \$4,300—leaving to be supplied by the contribution of twenty-three other states the remaining sum of \$5,950.

And now the question occurs to your committee, whether to suggest to the General Assembly of the state, the assumption of any part of this contribution as a permanent investment by this state? If made at all it should be as permanent as the proposed institution, and only to be withdrawn when the plan failed to secure its promised results. Looking to the amounts contributed by other and great states, viz: New York, Virginia, Massachusetts and others, the sum of \$100 per annum may be deemed a liberal contribution from the new state of Florida. Such a sum would not be seriously felt as a burthen, and insuring, as it would, to our state a full right of communion in this grand and liberal scheme, in the literary and scientific treasures to be distributed under it, would greatly more than compensate us and our posterity for that small outlay.

JAS. H. T. LORIMER, Chairman.

Resolutions of the General Assembly of Florida.

WHEREAS, The legislature of Florida regards with interest the noble design of a national interchange of the productions of art, science, industry and natural history projected by Mons. Alexander Vattemare, and patronized with such magnificence by the French government, and is desirous of contributing to a work so important:

1. *Resolved by the General Assembly,* That the spirit which has conceived this design is as admirable as the disinterested enthusiasm which has achieved it; and that this legislature, as a testimonial of its appreciation of the character and services of its distinguished author, do enact, that ten copies of the journals of each session of the state legislature, and ten copies of Thompson's Digest, be deposited in the Secretary of State's office, subject to the order of Alexander Vattemare.

2. *Resolved,* That the sum of one hundred dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated to defray the expense of an agency in the city of Paris in France, for the purpose of receiving and transmitting such works as may be made the subject of international exchanges.

3. *And be it resolved,* That the governor of this State be, and he is hereby authorized to appoint some suitable person as agent for the state of Florida at the city of Paris in France.

4. *And be it further resolved,* That the said sum of one hundred dollars be transmitted by the Secretary of State whenever officially informed that such agency has been duly established; and that the said agent be requested to report semi-annually to the Governor of this State of all his transactions and proceedings relative thereto.

The Committee on Elections, to whom was referred for re-examination a bill to be entitled, An act to amend and alter the election

law in this State, have had the same under consideration, and see no reason to change their views, presented on a former occasion, in regard to the bill. The Committee, therefore, report the bill without amendment, and ask to be discharged, &c.

LOUIS ALDRICH, Chairman.

The Committee on Propositions and Grievances, to whom was referred the petition of certain citizens of Alachua county, praying for the enactment of a law similar to that in force in the county of Escambia, relative to the slaughter of cattle, and also for the enactment of a law prohibiting the marking and branding of unmarked cattle, over one year old, commonly called "Harry Dicks," have had the same under consideration, and beg leave respectfully to

REPORT:

That in the opinion of your Committee, a general law, similar in its provisions to that in force in Escambia county, would impose a burden upon many of the counties in this State, without a correspondent good. That law is more peculiarly applicable to counties in which there are incorporated towns, and where there are markets regularly supplied. The law now in force, prohibiting and making it a criminal offence to fraudulently mark and brand any unmarked animal, with intent to claim the same, if properly enforced, is sufficient to protect the property of stock owners.

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

JOHN L. CRAWFORD, Chairman.

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred an engrossed bill to be entitled, An act relating to the sale of Real Estate, have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report it back to the Senate, with a recommendation that the said bill should not be passed.

S. L. BURRITT, Chairman.

The Committee on Taxation and Revenue, to whom was referred a bill entitled, An act to abolish the allowance of tare or gross weights on bales of unmanufactured cotton,

REPORT:

That they have examined said bill, and find that it proposes to make it a criminal offence for any person purchasing cotton, to take off for tare more than the usual custom of two pounds from each bale. The Committee are not aware that such practice exists any where; but should such be the case, they deem it improper. They therefore return said bill without amendment or comment, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

T. M. WHITE, Chairman.

The Committee on the State of the Commonwealth, to whom was referred House bill entitled, An act for the purpose of keeping the Indians within their boundary; also, preamble and resolutions upon the same subject, beg leave to

REPORT:

That they have had the same under consideration, and are fully satisfied that some legislation upon the subject is necessary. The policy of restraining the Indians within their boundary, will require no suggestions from the committee to commend it to the Senate. Unless this is done, difficulties will arise between them and the whites, which would eventually lead to hostilities. These Indians have a trading establishment situated within their boundary, by and under the direction of the U. S. Government. Their trade should be confined to that post, as no necessity exists for them to go beyond their limits for trade or other purposes. If this is enforced, as was intended by the General Government, and the interest of the community in that section requires, all difficulties between them and the whites will be entirely removed, or at least the probabilities of difficulties and dissensions greatly lessened.

J. P. SANDERSON, Chairman Committee.

Mr. Brown, from a select Committee, presented the following report:

The select Committee to whom was referred a bill respecting weights and measures, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave, respectfully to

REPORT:

That the Congress of the United States have passed a law providing for the distribution of a uniform system of weights and measures, to the several States; which have been distributed, with the exception of the States of Florida, Texas, Iowa and Wisconsin.—The Secretary of the Treasury of the United States in his report of 1848, says that standards for the States not yet supplied, are in the course of preparation.

Your Committee therefore respectfully recommend that the bill be not passed, which is respectfully submitted, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration thereof.

M. C. BROWN, Chairman Sel. Committee.

On motion of Mr. Avery said report and bill were laid on the table.

The following messages from the House were read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

January 6, 1849. }

Honorable President of the Senate:

SIR: The House has concurred in Senate amendments to House bill to be entitled, An act to amend an act concerning roads and highway now in force in this State;

An act for the Sheriff and Tax Assessor and Collector of Hillsborough County;

And, An act to incorporate the Florida and Georgia Rail Road Company.

Respectfully,

WM. B. LANCASTER,
Clerk House of Representatives.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
January 10, 1849. }

Honorable President of the Senate:

SIR: The House has concurred in the amendments to the Senate bill to be entitled, An act relating to capital punishments, proposed by the Committee of conference, and herewith enclosed.

Respectfully,
WM. B. LANCASTER,
Clerk House of Representatives.

Ordered that said bill be enrolled.

The House returned Senate bills to be entitled, An act amendatory of the several acts now in force in relation to the assessment and collection of the revenue.

An act in relation to the Comptroller's Office.

An act uniting the County of Dade to the County of Monroe, for Judicial purposes, under certain limitations and restrictions;

As indefinitely postponed by the House.

The House returned Senate bill to be entitled, An act for the benefit of Craven G. Fife and James R. Tucker, as passed by the House without amendment.

Ordered to be enrolled.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Resolution relative to the election of Judges for the several Judicial Circuits of this State by the present General Assembly, was read the third time, and on the question of its passage the yeas and nays were:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Austin, Crawford, Lorimer, Sanderson, D. J. Smith, Watts, and White—8.

Nays—Messrs. Aldrich, Avery, Brown, Burritt, Costin, Floyd, Forward, Ghent, Moseley, J. M. Smith, and Tweed—11.

The Senate refused to proceed to the election of Judges for the several Judicial Circuits of this State.

House bill to be entitled, An act for the purpose of keeping the Indians within their boundary, and House preamble and resolutions asking Congress to take some action to keep the Indians of Florida within their prescribed boundary, were read the second time, and ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

Mr. Floyd, from the Committee on Corporations, presented the following report:

The Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred a bill for the relief of Benjamin Hays, ask leave to report:

That they find nothing in the act, which, in the opinion of the committee, should not be granted. The committee are aware that there exists, to a great extent, in the minds of people residing in towns and cities, and other incorporated places, opposition to Botanical Practitioners of Medicine, yet your committee see no reason why Botanical Physicians should not be protected as well by the laws, as other Physicians, who under the laws are permitted to practice, with-

out even having undergone an examination of a Medical Board of Physicians.

Your committee, therefore, report the bill back with the following amendment: After the enacting clause, insert, "That all Botanical Physicians in this State be, and they are hereby, authorized to sue for and recover in the Courts of this State, all dues and accounts for medical services, in the same manner as bills and accounts of licensed practitioners are collected."

Your committee would also recommend that the title of said bill be changed as follows: a bill to be entitled, An act to authorize Botanical Physicians to sue for their accounts.

The committee, in asking to be discharged, are aware that the Senate, by referring a bill of the above nature to them, did not mean to throw ridicule upon members of its own body; but that they rather meant to ridicule the Botanical Practitioners of Medicine, and with a hope to defeat the ends aimed to be acquired by the individual who sought relief.

R. J. FLOYD, Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Sanderson, ordered that the latter portion of said report be not acted upon.

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 provide for the payment of services rendered by Overseers of Public Roads in the County of Leon;

An act to render taxation more equable by imposing a tax upon subjects heretofore exempt, and reducing the rate upon subjects now taxed;

An act to amend an act authorizing the United States of America to purchase real estate in Florida for the location of Arsenals, Dock Yards, Magazines, Forts, &c., passed in 1845, and

An act to amend the law of Attachment in force in this State.

W. A. FORWARD, Chairman.

Engrossed bill to be entitled, An act to provide for the payment of services rendered by Overseers of Public Roads in the County of Leon, was read the third time, and on the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Aldrich, Avery, Brown, Burritt, Costin, Crawford, Floyd, Ghent, Lorimer, Moseley, Sanderson, J. M. Smith, Tweed, Watts, White—16.

Nays—None.

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

Engrossed bill to be entitled, An act to amend an act authorizing the United States of America to purchase real estate in Florida, for the location of Arsenals, Dock Yards, Magazines, Forts, &c., passed in 1845, was read the third time, and on the question of its passage the yeas and nays were:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Avery, Brown, Burritt, Costin, Craw-

ford, Ghent, Lorimer, Moseley, Sanderson, Tweed, Watts, White—13.

Nays—Mr. Forward,—1.

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

Engrossed bill to be entitled, An act to amend the law of attachment in force in this State, was read the third time, and on the question of its passage the yeas and nays were :

Yeas—Messrs. Sanderson, Watts—2.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Aldrich, Austin, Avery, Brown, Burritt, Costin, Crawford, Floyd, Forward, Ghent, Lorimer, Moseley, D. J. Smith, J. M. Smith, White—16.

Said bill was lost.

Engrossed bill to be entitled, An act to render taxation more equal by imposing a tax upon subjects heretofore exempt, and reducing the rate upon subjects now taxed, was read the third time.

The question was now put upon the amendment of Mr. Forward, yesterday adopted, but this day reconsidered. And, on said question of adopting said amendment, the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Forward and Floyd, and were :

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Brown, Floyd, Forward, Ghent, Sanderson, J. M. Smith—7.

Nays—Messrs. Aldrich, Austin, Avery, Burritt, Costin, Crawford, Lorimer, Moseley, D. J. Smith, Tweed, Watts, White—12.

Said amendment was rejected.

Mr. Floyd moved that the question of the passage of said bill be divided.

Mr. President decided it could not be done.

On the question of the passage of said bill the yeas and nays were :

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Avery, Burritt, Crawford, Forward, Moseley, Tweed, White—8.

Nays—Messrs. Aldrich, Costin, Floyd, Ghent, Lorimer, D. J. Smith, J. M. Smith—7.

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

House bill to be entitled, An act for the relief of Benjamin Hays, was read the second time, and ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

House bill to be entitled, An act to amend an act entitled an act to regulate the Pilotage of the bar of the river St. Johns, was read the second time, the rule waived, read a third time by its title, and on the question of its passage the yeas and nays were :

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Aldrich, Austin, Avery, Burritt, Costin, Crawford, Floyd, Ghent, Moseley, D. J. Smith, J. M. Smith, Tweed, Watts, White—15.

Nays—None.

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

House bill to be entitled, An act relating to the sale of real estate,

was read the second time. Mr. Burritt moved that said bill be indefinitely postponed. Said motion prevailed.

Bill to be entitled An act to amend and alter the election law in force in this state, was, on motion, read a second time by its title. The Senate refused to order said bill to be engrossed for a third reading.

House preamble and resolution asking Congress for an appropriation for the improvement of the Chipola river. Mr. D. J. Smith moved that the rule be waived and said preamble and resolution read a second and third time and put upon their passage. On which the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Floyd and Brown, and were :

Yeas—Messrs. Aldrich, Austin, Avery, Burritt, Crawford, Forward, Ghent, Lorimer, Moseley, Sanderson, D. J. Smith, Watts, White—13.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Brown, Costin, Floyd, Tweed—5. Said motion was lost.

Mr. Forward moved that said preamble and resolution be indefinitely postponed. On which the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. D. J. Smith and Floyd, and were,

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Aldrich, Brown, Costin, Forward, Ghent, Moseley, Sanderson, Tweed—9.

Nays—Messrs. Austin, Avery, Burritt, Crawford, Floyd, Lorimer, D. J. Smith, White—8.

Said motion prevailed.

Bill to be entitled, An act to establish an asylum for the relief, comfort and protection of the poor and destitute of Leon 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, Burritt, Costin, Crawford, Floyd, Forward, Lorimer, Moseley, Sanderson, D. J. Smith, J. M. Smith, Tweed—16.

Nays—None.

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

Bill to be entitled An act for the benefit of the scrip holders of the late Territory of Florida, was read a second time.

Mr. Sanderson moved to amend by adding the following proviso at the end of section 1, viz :

“Provided that the Comptroller shall not be authorized under this act to issue warrants exceeding the amount of \$16,184 57-100.”

Said motion prevailed.

Mr. Sanderson moved to amend by striking out the words, in 5th and 6th lines of section 1, “with interest at six per cent. from date.”

On which the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Burritt and J. M. Smith, and were :

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Aldrich, Brown, Costin, Crawford, Forward, Ghent, Lorimer, Moseley, Sanderson, D. J. Smith, J. M. Smith—12.

Nays—Messrs. Avery, Burritt, Floyd, Tweed—4.

Said motion prevailed.

Ordered that said bill be engrossed for a third reading to-morrow.
The following message from his Excellency the Governor was read:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, Jan. 10, 1849.

Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives :

I hereby nominate the following persons as Auctioneers for the counties in which they respectfully reside, to wit : William J. Keyser and John Forecheimer, for the county of Santa Rosa ; Stephen Daniel, for the county of Washington ; J. N. Whitehurst, for the county of Jackson. Also, E. H. Richards, John E. Johnson and Thomas H. Parsons, as Port Wardens for the Port of Cedar Keys ; and John Denham, Port Warden for the Port of St. Marks ; and Charles T. Porter and William Harrison, Commissioners of Fisheries for the county of Washington. To which your advice and consent is respectfully solicited.

Very respectfully,

W. D. MOSELEY.

Said nominations were advised and consented to.

Also the following :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, Jan. 10, 1849.

Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives :

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

An act to provide for the increase, investment, safe keeping and disbursement of the common school fund ;

An act declaring Yellow River, in Walton county, a navigable stream ;

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

An act to amend the revenue laws of force in this State ;

An act requiring the Judges of the Circuit Courts to hold the terms of Court at the time and places prescribed by law ;

An act to authorize and provide for the election of Register of Public Lands, by the qualified voters of this State ;

An act in relation to the duties of Tax Assessors and Tax Collectors, and for other purposes ;

An act relating to fines, forfeitures, costs, and other moneys adjudged to the State ;

An act amendatory of the several acts relating to Jurors and State Witnesses :

An act to provide for the establishment of Common Schools in this State ;

An act to authorize the several Judges of Probate in this State to solemnize the rites of matrimony, and for other purposes ;

An act to amend an act concerning roads and highways, passed at the adjourned session of 1845 ;

An act to authorize the administrators of John W. Du Bose, deceased, to sell real estate ;

An act concerning the records of Levy county ;

An act for the relief of James M. Bates :

An act compensating Lewis H. Miller for taking the census of Holmes county in 1848 ;

An act to change certain precincts in Columbia county ;

An act for the relief of Mary A. Hardee and Mrs. — Burnett ;

An act to empower George P. Keyes, a minor, to assume the management of his own estate ;

An act to locate permanently the county site of Calhoun county, and for other purposes ;

An act to amend an act to change the northern line of St. Lucie county, approved December 28, 1846 ;

Preamble and Resolution asking Congress to establish a mail line therein named ;

Preamble and Resolution asking Congress to pass a law authorizing the payment of the claim of the Rev. John Tucker, as chaplain for Garrison's Battalion of Florida Militia ;

Preamble and resolution relative to the establishment of certain mail routes ; and

Resolution for the relief of W. J. Faircloth.

Very respectfully,

W. D. MOSELEY.

House bill to be entitled, An act to authorize Jos. M. Crews to establish a Ferry near the mouth of Oalusta, 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, Burritt, Crawford, Forward, Ghent, Lorimer, Moseley, Sanderson, D. J. Smith, J. M. Smith, Tweed—15.

Nays—None.

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

House bill to be entitled, An act for the protection of old and infirm slaves, was read the first time, the rule waived, read a second time by its title, and ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

House bill to be entitled, An act to amend an act regulating Judicial Proceedings, was read the first time, the rule waived, read a second time by its title, 75 copies ordered to be printed, and said bill referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

House bill to be entitled, An act to amend the laws now in force establishing a Tariff of Fees, was read the first time, and ordered to a second reading to-morrow.

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

THURSDAY, January 11, 1849.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Rev. Mr. Choice officiated as Chaplain.

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