

Resolution substituted for House resolution, urging upon Congress the payment of the claim of the late William Treadwell, deceased, Was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading to-morrow.

Bill to be entitled, An act prescribing a general method for the issuing of licenses, and the payment of the tax thereon ;
Was read the second time.

Mr. Sanderson offered the following as an additional section, viz :

SEC. 9. *Be it further enacted,* That the selling of spirituous liquors in quantities less than one gallon, shall be, and is hereby declared retailing.

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

Yeas—Messrs. Burritt and Sanderson—2.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Aldrich, Austin, Avery, Brown, Crawford, Floyd, Lorimer, Moseley, D. J. Smith, J. M. Smith, Watts and White—13.

Said motion was lost, and the bill ordered to be engrossed for a third reading to-morrow.

House bill to be entitled, An act to provide for the recording of the marks and brands of cattle shipped from the State of Florida ;

Was read the second time, and ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

Mr. D. J. Smith moved that the Senate adjourn until to-morrow, 9½ o'clock, A. M.

Mr. J. M. Smith moved that it adjourn until to-morrow, 10 o'clock, A. M.

Which motion prevailed, and the Senate adjourned until to-morrow, 10 o'clock, A. M.

SATURDAY, December 23, 1848.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Rev. Mr. Choice officiated as Chaplain.

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

Mr. Moseley moved that the report of the Committee on Federal Relations be suppressed from the Journals.

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Brown gave notice that he would, at some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill to be entitled, An act for the relief of certain Jurors in Hillsborough county.

Mr. White moved that a Committee be appointed to wait upon and inform the House that the Senate would be ready to proceed to the election of an U. S. Senator to-day at 11 o'clock, the House concurring.

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

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

Nays—Messrs. Aldrich, Avery, Brown, Burritt, Costin, Floyd, Forward, Mosely, J. M. Smith, Tweed—10.

Said motion was lost.

Mr. Floyd gave notice that he would at some future day ask leave to introduce a bill to be entitled An act for the protection of the West Florida and Georgia line of Telegraph.

On motion of Mr. White, a committee consisting of Messrs. White, Floyd and Forward were appointed to wait upon and inform the House that the Senate would be ready, the House concurring, to proceed to the election of an U. S. Senator and Solicitors of the several Judicial Circuits of this State, on Monday the 1st day of January, A. D., 1849.

The following message from the House was read :

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Dec. 23, 1848.

Hon. President of the Senate :

SIR :—The House have passed the following joint resolution :

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That this General Assembly adjourn until Wednesday next 12 o'clock.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Respectfully,

W. B. LANCASTER,

Clerk House Representatives.

The President having decided that this was a question of adjournment, and consequently a question of privilege, decided that the question of concurring in said resolution was in order.

Which decision was appealed from by Mr. Sanderson.

On the question being put shall the decision of the Chair be sustained? it was decided in the affirmative, and the decision sustained.

Mr. Sanderson moved that said resolution be placed at the bottom of the orders.

Which motion was lost.

Mr. Burritt offered the following amendment :

Strike out the words "this General Assembly adjourn," and insert in lieu thereof "when this General Assembly shall adjourn this day it shall stand adjourned."

Which motion prevailed.

On the question of concurring in said resolution as amended, the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Avery and D. J. Smith, and were :

Yeas—Messrs. Austin, Brown, Burritt, Costin, Crawford, Floyd, Forward, Ghent, Lorimer, J. M. Smith, Watts, White—12.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Avery, Moseley, Sanderson, D. J. Smith, Tweed—6.

Said resolution was adopted. Ordered to be certified to the House.

On motion of Mr. D. J. Smith, House bill to be entitled, An act to authorize the Circuit Court of Washington to be held at Mossey Hill meeting House,

Was taken from the table and placed among the orders.

The Committee appointed to wait upon and inform the House of the resolution of the Senate in relation to the election of U. S. Senator and Solicitors, reported that they had performed the duty assigned them.

Mr. White, from the Committee on Taxation and Revenue, made the following report:

The Committee on Taxation and Revenue, to whom was referred the memorial of the Judge of Probate and County Commissioners of Jackson county, ask leave to

REPORT:

That the law already passed by the General Assembly to authorize the re-establishment of lost records, &c. of said county, will fully meet the case of their first prayer. The memorialists further ask that the State taxes for the next two years be expended under their direction, in the erection of a new Court House, and such offices as that body may think necessary, &c.; and further, if said request is not granted, that they be allowed to assess a sufficient tax for said purpose. Your committee are of opinion that the State tax for one year, with such County tax as they may think proper to levy, will be sufficient to carry out their purpose; they have therefore reported a bill to be entitled, An act to authorize the County Commissioners of Jackson county to levy a tax sufficient to build a new Court House and for other purposes; and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

THOMAS M. WHITE, Chairman.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Bill to be entitled, An act to authorize the County Commissioners of Jackson county to levy a tax sufficient to build a new Court House in said county, and for other purposes,

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

House bill to be entitled, An act to authorize the Circuit Court of Washington county to be held at Mossey Hill Meeting House,

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. Austin, Avery, Brown, Burritt, Costin, Crawford, Floyd, Forward, Ghent, Lorimer, Moseley, Sanderson, D. J. Smith, J. M. Smith, Tweed, 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 provide for the payment of services rendered by Overseers of Public Roads,

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

Yeas—Messrs. Austin, Brown, Burritt, Costin, Floyd, Ghent, Lorimer, Moseley, Tweed—9.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Aldrich, Avery, Crawford, Forward, Sanderson, D. J. Smith and J. M. Smith—8.

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

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

The Committee on Engrossed bills beg leave to REPORT as correctly engrossed:

A bill to be entitled, An act prescribing a general method for the issuing of Licenses, and the payment of the tax thereon; and

A Resolution calling on Congress for the passage of a law for the payment of a claim of the late William Treadwell, and to refund to the State of Florida a certain sum therein mentioned.

WILLIAM A. FORWARD, Chairman.

Engrossed bill to be entitled, An act prescribing a general method for the issuing of Licenses, and the payment of the tax thereon,

Was, by unanimous consent, made the special order for Wednesday next.

A Committee from the House informed the Senate that the House had concurred in the amendment of the Senate to House resolution relative to adjournment until Wednesday next, 12 o'clock, M.

Engrossed Resolution, calling on Congress for the passage of a law for the payment of a claim of the late William Treadwell, and to refund to the State of Florida a certain sum therein mentioned,

Was read the third time and passed. Ordered to be certified to the House.

House bill to be entitled, An act to amend the law now in force relative to the organization of Patrols,

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

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

Nays—Mr. Forward—1.

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

House bill to be entitled, An act to provide for the recording of the marks and brands of cattle shipped from the State of Florida,

Was, on motion of Mr. Floyd, read the 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 and D. J. Smith—14.

Nays—Messrs. J. M. Smith and Tweed—2.

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

Bill to be entitled, An act to encourage and facilitate the con-

struction of a Rail Road from Read's Bluff, on the St. Mary's River, to Pensacola, and to authorize and regulate partnerships for that purpose,

Was, on motion of Mr. Moseley, made the special order for Wednesday next.

House resolution, asking from Congress a grant of a quarter section of land for Holmes county,

Was read the second time, the rule waived, read the third time by its title, and passed.

Ordered to be certified to the House.

House bill to be entitled, An act to alter and change the time of holding the Circuit Courts in the Middle District,

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

House bills to be entitled, respectively, An act concerning the records of Leon county; and

An act for the relief of James M. Bates,

Were read the second time, and ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

House bill to be entitled, An act to repeal an act to amend the several acts to raise a Revenue for this State,

Was read the second time, and on motion, referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Messrs. Floyd, Avery and Sanderson.

House resolution relative to a contemplated Mail Route in the county of St. Lucie,

Was read the second time, the rule waived, read the third time by its title, and passed.

Ordered to be certified to the House.

House bill to be entitled, An act to amend an act concerning Roads and Highways, passed at the adjourned session of 1845,

Was read the second time, and on motion of Mr. Floyd, referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements, with instructions to report any amendments they may deem necessary in the law as it now exists relative to said subject.

House bill to be entitled, An act for the relief of occupying claimants,

Was, on motion of Mr. Aldrich, read the second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill to be entitled, An act to provide for the increase, investment, safe keeping and disbursement of the Common School Fund;

On motion of Mr. Floyd, the Senate resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on 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. Aldrich, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, presented the following report:

The Committee on Enrolled Bills beg leave to report the following bills as correctly enrolled, viz:

A bill entitled, An act to re-establish the Records of the county of Jackson, and for other purposes.

A bill entitled, An act to grant Pre-emption rights to settlers on State lands.

LOUIS ALDRICH, Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Burritt, the vote had this day on House bill to be entitled, An act to provide for the payment of services rendered by Overseers of Public Roads,

Was reconsidered—and upon the reconsideration thereof, said bill was referred by unanimous consent to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

The House returned the following Senate bills as passed by the House without amendments, viz:

Bill to be entitled, An Act to provide for the sale of the Sixteenth Sections granted by Congress to the State for the support of Public Schools, and for consolidating the School Fund;

Bill to be entitled, An act to amend an act entitled an act to prevent the circulation of Change Bills, approved 15th March, 1844;

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

Bill to be entitled, An act to repeal the road laws in and for the county of Franklin.

Ordered to be enrolled.

On motion of Mr. Floyd, the Senate adjourned pursuant to the resolution adopted this day.

WEDNESDAY, December 27, 1848.

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.

On motion of Mr. Tweed, the rule was waived, and he allowed to introduce a bill to be entitled, An act relating to Manufacturing Companies.

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

On motion of Mr. Burritt, the rule was waived, and he allowed to introduce a bill to be entitled, An act to provide for Seals for the Circuit Courts of this State.

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

The following communication was transmitted to his Excellency the Governor:

SENATE CHAMBER, December 27, 1848.

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

SIR:—I have the honor to transmit for the approval of your Excellency, the following bills, entitled respectively,