

Mr. Avery moved to strike out the word "one," in the 4th line of the first section, and insert "four" in lieu thereof.

On this motion the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Avery, and Forward, and were:

Yea—Mr. Avery—1.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Austin, Baldwin, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, Forward, Johnson, Maxwell, McMillan, Moseley, Perry, Smith, Stewart, Taylor—17.

Said motion was lost.

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Austin, Baldwin, Brown of Hillsborough, Crawford, Finley, Forward, McMillan, Perry, Smith—10.

Nays—Messrs. Avery, Brown of Columbia, Buddington, Johnson, Maxwell, Moseley, Stewart, Taylor—8.

Said bill passed as amended. Title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House of Representatives.

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

TUESDAY, January 7, 1851.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The Rev. Mr. Kellogg officiated as Chaplain.

A quorum being present, the proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

Mr. Baldwin, pursuant to previous notice, introduced a bill to be entitled, An act to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act to organize the Circuit Courts of the State of Florida, approved January 8th, 1848;

Which was read the first time, rule waived, read second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Avery moved that the Committee on Elections be instructed to bring in a bill, prescribing the manner in which "contested elections for Governor shall be determined."

Which was carried.

Mr. McMillan presented the petition of sundry citizens of Quinville, relative to the incorporation of said Quinville;

Which was read, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor:

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER, January 6, 1851.

The Honorable R. J. FLOYD,

President of the Senate:

SIR:—I have approved and signed the following acts, viz:

An act enlarging the powers of County Commissioners ;
 An act to require purchasers of State Lands to make payment
 therefor to the Treasurer of this State ;
 Which I have caused to be deposited in the office of the Secretary
 of State.

THOMAS BROWN.

Which was read.

Mr. Taylor, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, made
 the following report :

The Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred
 a bill to be entitled, An act in relation to road duty

REPORT :

That upon due consideration of the subject embraced in the Bill,
 they disapprove of the alteration contemplated in the mode of work-
 ing roads, preferring the system now established by Law.

W. R. TAYLOR, *Chairman.*

Which was received, and said bill ordered to be placed among the
 orders of the day.

Mr. Johnson, from the Committee on the Militia, made the fol-
 lowing report :

The Committee on the Militia, to whom was referred so much of
 the Governor's message as relates to the Militia laws, have instruct-
 ed me to report a bill to be entitled, An act to amend the Militia laws
 of this State.

ALLEN G. JOHNSON, *Chairman.*

Which was received, and said bill ordered to be placed among
 the orders of the day.

Mr. Brown of Hillsborough, from the Committee on Claims and
 Accounts, made the following report :

The Committee on Claims and Accounts, to whom was referred
 a bill for the relief of Dr. Thomas M. Palmer and Drs. Taylor and
 Palmer, ask leave to

REPORT :

That they have had the same under consideration, and have in-
 structed me as their Chairman to report the same back to the Sen-
 ate, and recommend its passage.

Which is respectfully submitted.

M. C. BROWN,

Chairman Com. on Claims and Accounts.

Which was received, and said bill ordered to be placed among
 the orders of the day.

Mr. Forward, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, made the
 following report :

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

An act to amend "An act amendatory of the several acts now in

force in relation to the assessment and collection of the Revenue approved January 15, 1849;

An act to change and make permanent the dividing line between the Counties of Santa Rosa and Walton; also,

An act to amend the several acts now in force in relation to pleadings in civil suits.

W. A. FORWARD, *Chairman.*

Which was received.

The following communication was received from the House of Representatives:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, January 6, 1850.

Honorable President of the Senate:

Sir:—The House have concurred in the amendments to the bill to be entitled, An act to amend an act incorporating the city of St. Augustine, approved 4th February, 1833.

Respectfully,

H. ARCHER,

Speaker House of Representatives.

Which was read.

The following communication was transmitted to his Excellency the Governor:

SENATE CHAMBER, January 7, 1851.

His Excellency THOMAS BROWN,

Governor of Florida:

Sir:—I have the honor herewith to transmit, for the approval of your Excellency, the following Acts, viz:

An act consolidating the Counties of Dade and Monroe, making them a district for Judicial purposes;

An act giving to the Alabama and Florida Rail Road Company the right to extend their road into the State of Florida with chartered privileges;

An act for the relief of Angel Lopez.

Passed by both Houses of the General Assembly, and signed by the respective officers thereof.

Respectfully,

NEIL McPHERSON,

Secretary of the Senate.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

House bill to be entitled, An act for the final removal of the Indians now remaining in Florida, beyond the limits of the State;

Was read the third time as amended; on the question of its passage the yeas and nays were:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Austin, Avery, Baldwin, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, Forward, Johnson, Maxwell, McMillan, Moseley, Perry, Stewart, Taylor—17.

Nay—Mr. Smith—1.

Said bill passed. Title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House of Representatives.

Bill to be entitled, An act to provide for fixing the compensation of Tax Assessors and Tax Collectors, for assessing and collecting taxes for County purposes;

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

House bill to be entitled, An act to make uniform the mode of selling State lands;

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

House bill to be entitled, An act amendatory of the several acts now in force, relating to the appointment and duties of Auctioneers;

Was read the first time, rule waived, read the second and third times, and on the question of its passage the yeas and nays were:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs Avery, Baldwin, Brown of Columbia, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, Forward, Johnson, McMillan, Moseley, Smith, Stewart—13.

Nays—None.

Said bill passed. Title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. Avery moved that a bill to be entitled, An act to provide for the incorporation of Insurance Associations, and which was printed on yesterday, be referred to the Committee on Corporations;

Which was carried.

Bill to be entitled, An act to Incorporate the Florida and Georgia Plank Road Company, as passed by the House with amendments, was read the third time;

On motion, the Senate concurred in all the amendments made by the House except the following, viz:

The amendment by the House to insert between the words "road" and "within," in the 11th line of section 2, the words "and the branches hereby authorized."

Also, to strike out the words "lands and materials necessary" in the 10th and 11th lines of the 3d section, and insert the word "land" in lieu thereof.

Also, to strike out the words "and materials" in the 15th line of the 3d section.

Also, to strike out in the 24th and 25th lines of section 3d, the words "and materials sufficient to construct the same through such lands."

Also, to strike out the words "and materials," in the 3d line of the 4th section.

Also, to insert section 15, as proposed by the House.

Engrossed bill to be entitled, An act giving to Judges of Probate the powers of Justices of the Peace;

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

Yeas—Messrs. Avery, Buddington, Finley, Johnson, McMillan, Smith—6.

Nays—Messrs. Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Crawford, Forward, Moseley, Stewart, Taylor—7.

Said bill was lost.

Engrossed bill to be entitled, An act to authorize Judges of Probate to set apart Dower;

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

Yeas—Messrs. Avery, Baldwin, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, Forward, Johnson, McMillan, Moseley, Smith, Stewart, Taylor—14.

Nays—None.

Said bill passed. Title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House of Representatives.

Engrossed substitute for House resolution, asking an appropriation of land by Congress, to aid in building a Plank Road from Alligator to Jacksonville;

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

Yeas—Messrs. Avery, Baldwin, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, Forward, Johnson, McMillan, Moseley, Smith, Stewart, Taylor—14.

Nays—None.

Said resolution passed.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House of Representatives.

House bill to be entitled, An act to incorporate the Jacksonville and Alligator Plank Road Company;

Was read the third time as amended; on the question of its passage the yeas and nays were:

Yeas—Messrs. Avery, Baldwin, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, Forward, Johnson, McMillan, Moseley, Smith, Stewart, Taylor—14.

Nays—None.

Said bill passed. Title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House of Representatives.

Messrs. Brown, of Hillsborough, and Forward, moved a call of the Senate.

Messrs. Austin, Maxwell and Perry were absent.

Mr. Johnson moved that further proceedings in relation to the same be dispensed with;

Which was carried.

Engrossed bill to be entitled, An act to permit George W. Andrews to Practice Medicine in the County of Hernando;

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Avery, Baldwin, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Finley, Forward, Johnson, Maxwell, Moseley, Perry—11.

Nays—Messrs. Austin, Buddington, Crawford, McMillan, Smith, Stewart, Taylor—7.

Said bill passed. Title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House of Representatives.

Engrossed bill to be entitled, An act to change the Southern Boundary of Leon County;

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Austin, Avery, Baldwin, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, Forward, Johnson, Maxwell, McMillan, Moseley, Perry, Smith, Stewart, Taylor—18.

Nays—None.

Said bill passed. Title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House of Representatives.

Engrossed bill to be entitled, An act to enable Executors, Administrators, and Guardians to sell the real estate of Infants;

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Avery, Baldwin, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, Forward, Johnson, McMillan, Moseley, Perry, Stewart—14.

Nays—Messrs. Austin, Smith, Taylor—3.

Said bill passed. Title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House of Representatives.

Engrossed bill to be entitled, An act providing for the incorporation of societies known as Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and also of societies known as Sons of Temperance;

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Austin, Avery, Baldwin, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, Forward, Johnson, Maxwell, McMillan, Moseley, Perry, Stewart—16.

Nay—Mr. Smith—1.

Mr. Avery moved to amend the title of said bill as follows, viz:

Strike out the title of the bill, and insert the following in lieu thereof, viz:

"An act to provide for the incorporation of Benevolent or Charitable Societies."

Which was carried.

Said bill passed as amended.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House of Representatives.

Bill to be entitled, An act to amend the Militia laws of this State ;
Was read the first time, rule waived, read the second time by its title, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading to-morrow.

Engrossed bill to be entitled, An act in relation to the term of office and duties of Tax Collectors ;

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

Yeas—Messrs. Avery, Baldwin, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, Forward, Johnson, Maxwell, McMillan, Moseley, Perry, Smith, Stewart, Taylor—16.

Nays—None.

Said bill passed. Title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House of Representatives.

Bill to be entitled, An act in relation to road duty ;

Was read the second time.

On motion, ordered that the same be not engrossed.

Bill to be entitled, An act to authorize the administrators of Henry V. Ellis, deceased, to sell real estate ;

Was read the second time.

On motion of Mr. Maxwell, said bill was laid on the table.

House bill to be entitled, An act to make provisions to defray the expense of the residence of the Chief Magistrate of this State ;

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

House bill to be entitled, An act for the relief of Abner D. Johnson ;

Was read the first time, rule waived, read the second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Claims and Accounts.

Bill to be entitled, An act to provide for the establishment of two Seminaries of learning ;

Was taken up, and on motion laid on the table.

House bill to be entitled, An act for the relief of Lawrence Ferrel ;

Was read the first time, rule waived, read the second time, by its title, and referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. Maxwell moved that the rule be waived, and that he have leave of absence until to-morrow.

Which was carried.

House bill to be entitled, An act to define specifically the duties of the board of County Commissioners ;

Was read the first time, rule waived, read the second and third times.

Mr. Baldwin moved to amend said bill as follows, viz: "strike out the two last lines in the first section" and insert "Common Schools of the County," which was carried.

On the passage of said bill as amended the yeas and nays were:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Austin, Avery, Baldwin, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, Forward, Johnson, McMillan, Moseley, Perry, Smith, Stewart, Taylor—17.

Nays—None.

Said bill passed as amended. Title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House of Representatives.

House bill to be entitled, An act to change and establish the lines of Franklin County;

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Austin, Avery, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, Forward, Johnson, McMillan, Moseley, Perry, Smith, Stewart, Taylor—16.

Nays—None.

Said bill passed. Title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House of Representatives.

Resolutions providing for the Seat of Government of Florida:

Resolutions providing for the Removal of the Seat of Government of Florida.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Florida, in General Assembly convened, That it is expedient to remove the Seat of Government of the State of Florida from Tallahassee, and to permanently fix the same at some other point.

Be it further resolved, That the following persons, to wit: M. C. Brown, B. M. Pearson, Gad Humphreys, Henry C. Wilson, D. H. Mays, James M. Gilchrist, John Milton and D. J. Smith be, and they are hereby, appointed Commissioners by and on the part of the State of Florida, to select a site for said Seat of Government; and that in the selection of said site, they shall take into consideration a central position, as well as a healthy location, also the benefits of the State at large, and may take into consideration proposals of citizens in aid of its construction, and shall report at the next session of the General Assembly the location selected together with the reasons and inducements for said selection.

Be it further resolved, That if it should so happen that any of the Commissioners herein appointed should die, refuse or neglect to act, then the survivors, or a majority of them, or a majority of those who do act, shall be sufficient to make said selection and report.

Be it further resolved, That the said Commissionera (or those act-

ing as above directed), shall receive the same pay as members of the General Assembly for the time actually employed in carrying into effect the above resolutions.

Which were read the second time, and made the special order of the day for Monday next.

Bill to be entitled, An act for the relief of Joel B. Smith, and for other purposes;

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

House bill to be entitled, An act for the relief of Thomas Ledwith;

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

House bill to be entitled, An act in relation to license;

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

House bill to be entitled, An act to authorize Thomas J. Land to establish a ferry across the Chipola River, at Abe's Spring Bluff;

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

House bill to be entitled, An act for the relief of Dr. Thomas M. Palmer and Drs. Taylor and Palmer;

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

Bill to be entitled, An act to provide for the transmission of Election Returns in the County of Levy;

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

The following message was received from the House of Representatives:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, January 6, 1851.

Honorable President of the Senate:

SIR:—The House have passed,

A bill to be entitled, An act to amend an act entitled an act to grant pre-emption rights to settlers on sundry lands, approved January 12, 1849; also,

Senate bill to be entitled, An act requiring to be paid into the School Fund money derived from the sale of Slaves under the act of November 22, 1829, without amendment;

Senate bill to be entitled, An act to amend an act approved January 13th, 1849, which provides for the election of Judges of Probate by the People, was lost in the House.

Respectfully,

H. ARCHER,

Speaker House of Representatives.

Which, on motion, was read, and said House bill ordered to be placed among the orders of the day, and said Senate bill ordered to be enrolled.

House bill to be entitled, An act to amend an act to grant pre-emption rights to settlers on sundry lands, approved January 12th, 1849;

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

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

WEDNESDAY, January 8, 1851.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The Rev. Mr. Kellogg officiated as Chaplain.

A quorum being present, the proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

Mr. Avery gave notice that he would, at some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill to be entitled, An act granting to the Alabama and Florida Railroad Company land granted, or hereafter to be granted, to the State by the General Government for the purpose of aiding in the construction of a Railroad from Pensacola to Montgomery.

Mr. Avery moved that the vote on yesterday ordering to a third reading House bill to be entitled, An act to make provision to defray the expense of the residence of the Chief Magistrate of this State, be reconsidered;

Which was carried.

On motion of Mr. Avery, the rule was waived, and he allowed to introduce a bill to be entitled, An act giving to the Judge of Probate of Escambia County the powers of Justice of the Peace, in certain cases,

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

Mr. Moseley offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this General Assembly, the House of Representatives concurring, adjourn *sine die* on the 18th day of January, 1851;

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

Mr. Brown, of Columbia, offered the following preamble and resolution:

WHEREAS, Henry C. Wilson had settled on and improved a part of the eight sections of land located for fixing the Seat of Government of the State of Florida, before the said land was selected for the State: Therefore,

Be it Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Florida in General Assembly convened, That the said Henry C. Wilson be, and he is hereby, authorized and allowed to purchase from the State one hundred and sixty acres of said land, in-