

House bill to be entitled, An act amendatory to acts in reference to Militia and Patrol duty and Crimes and Misdemeanors;
Was read the first time, and ordered to a second reading to-morrow.

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

SATURDAY, January 11, 1851.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The Rev. Mr. Pratt officiated as Chaplain.

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

Mr. Maxwell moved that the rule be waived, and he be allowed to introduce a bill;

Which was carried, and he introduced a bill to be entitled, An act to regulate offices of the Clerks of the Circuit Courts for this State, and for other purposes;

Which was read the first time, rule waived, read the second time by its title, on motion laid on the table, and 75 copies ordered to be printed.

Pursuant to previous notice, Mr. Brown of Columbia introduced a bill to be entitled, An act making an appropriation for clearing out the river St. Mary's;

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

Mr. Maxwell moved that the rule be waived, and he be permitted to introduce a bill;

Which was carried, and he introduced a bill to be entitled, An act for the relief of Nathaniel P. Bemis;

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

Mr. Smith, pursuant to previous notice, introduced a bill to be entitled, An act providing for the investment of a portion of the Seminary and Common School Fund;

Which was read the first time, rule waived, read the second time by its title, referred to the Committee on Schools and Colleges, and 75 copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. Finley, moved that the rule be waived, and he be permitted to introduce a bill;

Which was carried, and he introduced a bill to be entitled, An act for the relief of Doctors Franklin Hart and J. G. Roce;

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

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 the following bills, ask leave to

REPORT:

That the bill entitled, An act for the relief of Joel B. Smith, and for other purposes, having been referred to them, and after due consideration of same, they have instructed me, as their Chairman, to report the same back to the Senate, and recommend its passage, as it does not increase the expense of collecting the revenue, but only divides the sum allowed by law between two Tax Collectors.

Also, a bill to provide for the payment of Florida Volunteers called out in the year 1849, which the Committee have instructed me to report back to the Senate, recommending its passage with the following additional section, viz:

SEC. 3. *Be it further enacted*, That so soon as an appropriation shall be made by the Federal Government for the payment of such officers and privates of said volunteer companies, and shall be deposited in the Treasury of the State, the interest on said State scrip shall cease; and the Comptroller of the Treasury is hereby authorized and required to issue his warrant upon the Treasurer in favor of the holder or holders of such scrip upon his or their application, for the principal of such scrip and the interest which may have accrued thereon up to the period when, under the provisions of this act, said interest shall cease to accrue.

And request the adoption of the same.

Also, a bill entitled, An act for the relief of Wm. E. Kilcrease, Robert L. Edmonds, Joseph Austin, and Thomas D. Wilson, which they have also requested me to report back to the Senate, and recommend its passage.

All which is respectfully submitted.

M. C. BROWN, *Chairman.*

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

Mr. Baldwin, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, made the following report:

The Committee on Engrossed Bills beg leave to report as correctly Engrossed:

Substitute for House Bill to be entitled, An act to amend an act entitled an act to grant pre-emption rights, to settlers on sundry lands, approved, Dec. 27, 1848, to be entitled, An act to amend an act entitled, an act to grant pre-emption rights to settlers on State Lands, approved Dec. 27, 1848.

JOHN P. BALDWIN, *Chairman.*

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

The President layed before the Senate the following communication:

*To the President and Members of the
Senate of the General Assembly of Florida:*

GENTLEMEN:—The undersigned proposes to deliver an Address on the Resources of the State of Georgia, in the Hall of the House of Representatives, on Monday evening next, at half past 7 o'clock, to which the members of the General Assembly are particularly invited.

Respectfully,
GEO. WHITE.

Which was read.

The following communication was received from the House of Representatives:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, January 10th, 1851.

Honorable President of the Senate:

SIR: Senate Bill to be entitled, An act to change the name of Sarah Frances Waters; and

Senate Preamble and Resolution relative to lands granted to this State by Congress,

Have passed the House without amendment.

Respectfully,
H. ARCHER.

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Which was read, and said bills ordered to be enrolled.

Also the following:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, January 11, 1851.

Honorable President of the Senate:

SIR:—Messrs. Bryant, James S. Jones, and Anderson have been appointed a Committee on the part of the House, to confer with a similar Committee on the part of the Senate, relative to the disagreement between the two Houses upon Resolution asking an appropriation of land by Congress to aid in building a Plank Road from Alligator to Jacksonville.

Respectfully,
H. ARCHER,

Speaker House of Representatives.

Which was read.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor:

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER, January 11, 1851.

To the Honorable R. J. FLOYD,

President of the Senate:

SIR:—I have the honor to transmit to the Senate the following communications, received by mail during the recess of the General Assembly, viz:

Memorial of the "American Association for the advancement of Science," addressed "To the Hon'ble President of the Senate of Florida;"

A pamphlet addressed "To the Hon'ble President of the Senate of Florida;"

Also, a packet of papers addressed to "The Senate of the State of Florida.

I am, very respectfully,
Your ob't., &c.,

THOMAS BROWN:

Which was read, and the said memorial, pamphlet and other papers were referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

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

The Committee on Enrolled Bills report as correctly enrolled:

An act to incorporate the Florida and Georgia Plank Road Company;

An act to change the name of Sarah Frances Waters;

An act for the relief of William D. Moseley, and for other purposes;

An act to change the time when County Commissioners shall examine the accounts of the County Treasurer;

Preamble and resolutions relative to lands granted by Congress to the State, for the purpose of Internal Improvement, and for fixing the seat of Government;

Preamble and Resolution relative to the payment of Volunteers legally called into service for the defence of the frontier of Florida.

W. A. FORWARD, *Chairman.*

Which was received.

The following communication was transmitted to his Excellency the Governor:

SENATE CHAMBER, January 11, 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 requiring to be paid into the School Fund money derived from the sale of Slaves under the act of November 22, 1829;

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

An act to amend the several acts now in force in relation to Pleadings in Civil Suits;

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 13, 1849;

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

Respectfully,
N. McPHERSON,
Secretary of the Senate.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

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

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, Smith, Taylor—14.

Nays—None.

Said bill passed. Title as stated.

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

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

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Avery, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Buddington, Forward, Johnson, McMillan, Moseley, Smith, Stewart, Taylor—12.

Nay—Mr. Crawford—1.

Said bill passed. Title as stated.

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

House bill to be entitled, An act amendatory to acts in reference to Militia and Patrol duties, and Crimes and Misdemeanors;

Was read the second time, and on motion referred to the Committee on the Commonwealth.

House bill to be entitled, An act to re-establish the records of St. Lucie County;

Was read the second time.

Mr. Forward moved to amend said bill as follows, viz:

Strike out the word "recovering," in the 15th line of the first section, and insert in lieu thereof the word "recording;"

Which amendment was adopted.

On motion, the rule was waived, said bill read the third time, and 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, Forward, Johnson, McMillan, Moseley, Perry, Smith, Stewart—14.

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 to regulate Camp-Hunting in the Counties of Escambia and Santa Rosa;

Was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading on Monday next.

The Senate resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, on Resolution for the relief of Henry C. Wilson, Mr. Mosley in the Chair.

After some time spent in consideration thereof, the Committee rose, and by its Chairman, reported said Resolution back as amended.

Which was concurred in, and said Resolution ordered to be engrossed for a third reading on Monday next.

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

Was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading on Monday next.

House bill to be entitled, An act for the relief of William E. Kilcrease, Robert L. Edmunds, Joseph Austin, and Thos. D. Wilson;

Was read the second time, and ordered to a third reading on Monday next.

Engrossed substitute to 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, to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to grant pre-emption rights on State lands, approved December 27th, 1848;

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, Buddington, Crawford, Finely, Johnson, McMillan, Mosley, Perry, Smith, Stewart, Taylor – 14.

Nays – None.

Said bill passed. Titled as stated.

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

House bill to be entitled, An act to provide for the payment of the Florida Volunteers, called out in the year 1849;

Was read the second time.

The additional section proposed by the Chairman of the Committee on Claims and Accounts;

Was read and adopted, and ordered to be engrossed, and said bill as amended ordered to a third reading on Monday next.

The following message, was received from his Excellency the Governor.

Executive Chamber, January 11, 1851.

The Honorable R. J. Floyd,

President of the Senate:

Sir:- I have approved and signed the following acts, viz:

An act requiring to be paid into the School Fund money derived from the sale of slaves under the act of November 22, 1829;

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

An act to amend the several acts now in force in relation to pleadings in Civil Suits;

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 13, 1849;

Which I have caused to be deposited in the office of the Secretary of State.

THOMAS BROWN.

Which was, on motion, read.

The following communication was received from the House of Representatives:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, January 11, 1851.

Honorable President of the Senate:

Sir:—The House of Representatives have passed the accompanying resolution authorizing the Treasurer of this State to borrow money from the Register of Public Lands to defray the expenses of the present General Assembly.

Respectfully,

H. ARCHER,

Speaker House of Representatives.

Which was read, and said resolution order to be placed among the orders of the day.

Resolution authorizing the Treasurer of this State to borrow money from the Register of Public Lands;

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

On motion of Mr. Brown of Columbia, the Senate adjourned until 11 o'clock, Monday next, A. M.

MONDAY, January 13, 1851.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The Rev. Mr. Pratt officiated as Chaplain.

Mr. Avery moved that the reading of the proceedings of Saturday be dispensed with;

Which was carried.

Pursuant to previous notice, Mr. Johnson introduced a bill to be entitled, An act making an appropriation of money from the Internal Improvement fund to remove shoals and other obstructions in the Suwannee river;

Which was read the first time, rule waived, read the second time by its title, and ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

Mr. Avery offered the following Resolution:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Florida in General Assembly convened, That it shall be the duty of the Register of Public Lands to make out, and have published with the Journals of the present session, a statement of the lands selected for the State, whether for Internal Improvement, for Seminaries, for Common Schools, or for fixing the Seat of Govern-