

TUESDAY, January 21, 1851.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The Rev. Mr. Hume officiated as Chaplain.

A quorum being present, the reading of yesterday's proceedings was dispensed with.

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

The Committee on Taxation and Revenue, to whom was referred a bill to be entitled, An act in relation to the taxes upon Agencies of Foreign Insurance Companies, and other subjects therein named, having had the same under consideration return the bill back to the Senate without amendment, and recommend its passage.

GEO. STEWART, *Chairman.*

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

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

The Committee on the Internal Improvements, to whom was referred a bill to be entitled, An act making an appropriation for clearing out the River St. Mary's, have had the same under consideration and report that they approve of the bill with the following additional section, to wit:

*Be it further enacted,* That the said commissioners, before receiving the amount herein appropriated shall enter into bond (with good security to be approved by the Register of Public Lands payable to him or his successors in office) for the faithful performance of the work herein contemplated, and it is further provided, that the amount so appropriated shall upon a general distribution of said fund be deducted from the said Counties of Columbia and Nassau.

The St. Mary's River, like many others in Florida, is obstructed during a great portion of the year by snags and fallen trees, a great source of inconvenience to the inhabitants living near it, and who depend upon this River in getting their produce, lumber and Turpentine to market. An appropriation making this River navigable, would be of incalculable advantage to the men of small means now engaged in producing and procuring these materials for market on its borders, by enabling them to take it immediately to market instead of having to wait for the rise of freshets in the River, or be at the expense of hauling to some point below the obstructions, thus giving capital an undue advantage over them.

Respectfully submitted.

W. R. TAYLOR, *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,

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 ;

A bill to be entitled, An act so to amend the second clause of the eleventh article of the Constitution of this State as to allow the proceeds of the five hundred thousand acres of land donated to the State of Florida by the United States for Internal Improvements, to be appropriated to the use of Common Schools ;

A bill to be entitled, An act to amend the laws now in force in this State relative to the Foreclosure of Mortgages ;

A bill to be entitled, An act to provide for the collection of Taxes and Highway Dues against Free Persons of Color ;

A bill to be entitled, An act providing for the increase of the School Fund from the State Treasury ;

A bill to be entitled, An act for the relief of Drs. Franklin Hart and J. F. Roscoe ;

Engrossed amendment to House bill to be entitled, An act to provide for the opening of a Road from Miami, in Dade County, to Indian River, in St. Lucie County.

JOHN P. BALDWIN, *Chairman.*

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

The following communication was received from the House of Representatives :

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, January 20th, 1851.

*Honorable President of the Senate :*

Sir:—The House have passed the following bills, viz :

Bill to be entitled, An act to require the respective Boards of County Commissioners to examine and certify the assessment returns made by the Tax Assessors ;

Bill to be entitled, An act for the relief of D. Lyman Sheppard ;

Bill to be entitled, An act fixing the time of the meeting of the General Assembly of Florida ;

Bill to be entitled, An act to fix the compensation of Tax Assessors and Collectors ;

Bill to be entitled, An act to legitimate Wesley Allen Dikes, Bryant Dikes, Daniel Dikes, Unity Dikes, Isham Dikes, and Sarah Ann Dikes, and to make them the heirs at law of Daniel Coker, of Madison County, Florida, and to change their names ;

Bill to be entitled, An act to declare Florida river, in Gadsden County, a navigable stream :

Bill to be entitled, An act to provide for the compensation of Jurors in the County of Gadsden.

Also, the following resolutions, viz :

Resolution relative to printing the Constitution of this State ;

Resolution authorizing the construction of fire-proof vaults in the Capitol.

Also, the following Senate bills, without amendment, viz :

Bill to be entitled, An act to provide for the incorporation of Insurance Associations ;

Bill to be entitled, An act to provide for the incorporation of Benevolent or Charitable Societies ;

Bill to be entitled, An act in relation to roads in Escambia County ;

Bill to be entitled, An act for the relief of A. E. Geiger.

The following Senate bill was indefinitely postponed, viz :

Bill to be entitled, An act to appropriate one thousand dollars to improve the navigation of Holmes Creek, in Washington County.

Respectfully,

H. ARCHER,

*Speaker House of Representatives.*

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

The following communication was transmitted to the Office of Secretary of State :

SENATE CHAMBER, January 20, 1851.

HON. CHARLES W. DOWNING,

*Secretary of State :*

SIR :—I have the honor herewith to transmit to you the following Act, viz :

An act to alter and amend the act entitled an act to incorporate the Atlantic and Gulf Rail Road Company ;

Which having passed both Houses of the General Assembly, as therein specified, was duly transmitted to his Excellency the Governor for his approval, and the Governor having returned the same to the Senate with his veto thereon, a vote was had upon the bill, as provided by the Constitution of the State of Florida, and having received the requisite majority, was transmitted to the House of Representatives for its action thereon, and having also, upon vote thereon had in said House, received a majority of the votes, was duly declared to be a law, in pursuance of said Constitution.

Respectfully,

NEILL McPHERSON,

*Secretary Senate.*

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Bill to be entitled, An act to regulate the offices of Clerks of the Circuit Courts for this State, and for other purposes ;

Was read the second time ;

Mr. Baldwin moved to strike out the seventh section of said bill ;

Which was carried.

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

Yeas – Messrs. Baldwin, Brown of Hillsborough, Finely, Forward, Johnson, Maxwell, Stewart – 7.

Nays – Mr. President, Messrs. Austin, Avery, Brown of Columbia, Buddington, McMillan, Mosley, Taylor – 8.

Said bill was lost.

House bill to be entitled, An act to amend the laws now in force in relation to the establishment of lost papers;

Was read the second time.

Mr. Finely offered the following amendment:

*Provided, however,* That nothing in this act contained shall operate as repeal of the special acts for the re-establishment of lost papers and Records in the Counties of Gadsden, Jackson, Columbia and St. Lucie.

Which was adopted.

Also the following:

Amend by striking out the letter “a” in the 16<sup>th</sup> line of the first section, and inserting the word “any” in lieu thereof; and by striking out the words “*published at the Capital*” in the 17<sup>th</sup> line.

Which was adopted, said amendments ordered to be engrossed, and said bill ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

House bill to be entitled, An act to authorize the sale of certain real estate belonging to the estate of Albert C. McBride, deceased;

Was read the third time, and 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, Finely, Forward, Johnson, McMillan, Mosley, Smith, Stewart, Taylor – 15.

Nays – None.

Said bill passed. Title as stated.

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

House preamble and resolution relative to change of the Mail route between Tallahassee and Madison;

Were read the third time and passed.

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

Senate substitute for House Resolution relative to printing the

laws;

Was read the third time and passed.

House bill to be entitled, An act to incorporate a Bank in the City of Tallahassee;

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

Yeas—Messrs. Austin, Avery, Buddington, Finley, Forward, Johnson, Maxwell, McMillan, Moseley, Stewart, Taylor—11.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Baldwin, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Smith—5.

Said bill, not having received the Constitutional majority, was lost.

Mr. Forward moved a reconsideration of said vote;

Which was carried, and said bill made the special order of the day for to-morrow.

House bill to be entitled, An act to provide for the opening of a road from Miami, in Dade County, to Indian River, in St. Lucie County;

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, Finley, Forward, Johnson, McMillan, Moseley, Smith, Stewart, Taylor—15.

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 in relation to the taxes upon Agencies of Foreign Insurance Companies, and other subjects therein named;

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

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

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 making an appropriation for clearing out the River St. Marys;

Was read the second time.

The amendment proposed by the Chairman of the Committee on Internal Improvements was adopted, and said bill ordered to be engrossed for a third reading to-morrow.

Engrossed 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;

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Austin, Avery, Baldwin, Brown of Columbia, Buddington, 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 bill to be entitled, An act to amend the laws now in force in this State relative to the foreclosure of Mortgages;

Was read the third time, and 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, Finley, Forward, Johnson, McMillan, Moseley, Smith, Stewart, Taylor—15.

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 amend the second clause of the eleventh article of the Constitution of this State so as to allow the proceeds of the five hundred thousand acres of land donated to the State of Florida by the United States for Internal Improvements to be appropriated for the use of Common Schools;

Was 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, Finley, Forward, Johnson, McMillan, Moseley, Smith, Stewart—13.

Nays—Messrs. Austin, Taylor—2.

Said bill passed. Title as stated.

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

Engrossed bill entitled, An act to provide for the collection of Taxes and Highway Dues against Free Persons of Color;

Was read the third time, and 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, Finley, Forward, Johnson, McMillan, Moseley, Smith, Stewart, Taylor—15.

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 to legitimate Wesley Allen Dikes, Bryant Dikes, Daniel Dikes, Unity Dikes, Isham Dikes, and Sarah Ann Dikes, and to make them heirs at law of Daniel Coker, of Madison County, Florida, and to change their names;

Mr. Moseley moved to amend said bill as follows:

Strike out of said bill the word "Sarah," wherever it occurs in the title, and insert "Laura," in lieu thereof;

Which was adopted;

And said bill was read the first time, rule waived, read the sec-

ond and third times; and on the question of its passage the yeas and nays were:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Austin, Avery, Baldwin, Brown of Columbia, Buddington, 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.

House bill to be entitled, An act fixing the time of holding the General Assembly of Florida;

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

Mr. Forward offered the following amendment, viz:

Amend the first section by adding, "and in no case shall the members of said General Assembly be entitled to pay for more than forty-two days."

Mr. Avery offered the following amendment to said amendment, as follows:

"And the members shall receive no pay except for the days in which they shall actually be in attendance, upon the meetings of their respective Houses;"

Upon which the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Forward and Avery, and were:

Yeas—Messrs. Austin, Avery, Baldwin, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Buddington, Finley, Forward, Johnson, McMillan, Moseley—11.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Smith, Stewart, Taylor—4.

Said amendments were adopted.

Mr. Finley offered to amend said bill as follows, viz:

Strike out the words "forty-two" and insert the word "thirty" in lieu thereof;

Which was lost.

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

House bill to be entitled, An act to fix the compensation of Tax Assessors and Collectors;

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

House bill entitled, An act for the relief of Lyman Sheppard;

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. Baldwin, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Moseley—5.

Nays—Messrs. Austin, Avery, Buddington, Finley, Forward, Johnson, McMillan, Smith, Stewart, Taylor—11.

Said bill was lost.

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

House bill to be entitled, An act to provide for the compensation of Jurors in the County of Gadsden;

Was read the first time, rule waived, read the second time by its title, and referred to a select Committee, said Committee to consist of Messrs. Austin, Buddington and Smith.

House bill to be entitled, An act to require the respective Boards of County Commissioners to examine and certify the assessment and returns made by Tax Assessors;

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

House bill to be entitled, An act to declare Florida River, in Gadsden County, a navigable stream;

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

House resolution relative to printing the Constitution of this State;

Was read the first time, and on motion laid on the table.

House resolution authorizing the construction of fire-proof vaults in the Capitol;

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

Mr. Maxwell moved that the rule be waived and that he be allowed to make a report;

Which was carried, and he made the following report:

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred a bill entitled, An act to change the time of holding the Circuit Courts of the Middle Circuit, have had the same under consideration, and return it to the Senate without amendment, with the recommendation that it be passed.

Also, your Committee having examined a bill referred to them, entitled An act repealing the first and second sections, and amending section third of an act in relation to trading with slaves, approved February 11th, 1834, recommend its passage with the following amendments, to wit:

Insert the word "*written*" between the letter "a" and the word "*permit*," in the sixth line of the 2d section.

And insert between the words "money" and "or" in the 8th line of the second section the words "grain, produce."

The same Committee have examined a bill referred to them, entitled An act to require the original accounts, vouchers, and evidence upon which warrants are drawn by the Comptroller of Public Accounts to be filed in his office and not in that of the Treasurer, and instruct me to return the same to the Senate without amendment, and recommend its passage.

The Committee have also had under consideration a bill entitled, An act to provide for the payment of Coroner's Juries, and other

purposes, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate without amendment, and recommend its passage.

The same Committee have had under consideration a bill entitled, An act regulating the times and places of holding the Circuit Courts for the Western Circuit, and have instructed me to return it to the Senate with the following proposed amendments, and to recommend its passage with said amendments.

Amend by striking out in 11th line of the first section, and inserting in lieu thereof the following, to wit: "Calhoun County on Thursday after the fourth Monday in April."

Amend also by striking out the 34th line of the first section, and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "Calhoun County on Thursday after the fourth Monday in November."

Respectfully submitted.

A. E. MAXWELL, *Chairman.*

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

The following communication was received from the House of Representatives:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, January 21, 1851.

*Honorable President of the Senate:*

Sir:—Messrs. Bennett, Baker and Dilworth have been appointed a Committee on the part of the House, to act with a similar Committee on the part of the Senate, for the purpose of rescinding the 6th Joint Rule of the two Houses.

Respectfully,

H. ARCHER,

*Speaker House of Representatives.*

Which was read.

Also the following:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, January 21, 1851.

*Honorable President of the Senate:*

Sir:—The enclosed resolutions authorizing the loan of a portion of the Common School Fund to certain Counties of this State for the purpose of building a Court House.

Respectfully,

H. ARCHER,

*Speaker House of Representatives.*

Which was read.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor:

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER, January 21, 1851.

To the Honorable R. J. FLOYD,

*President of the Senate:*

Sir:—I respectfully nominate to the Senate, for confirmation, the following appointments, viz:

For the County of Santa Rosa.—Joseph M. Bower, Emanuel Foreham, Auctioneers.

*For the County of Jackson.*—John Q. Lundy, Wm. A. Whitfield, Edward S. Dicksen, James M. Brown, Wm. Bower, Henry Pope, Robert S. Dickson, James J. Pittman, Auctioneers.

*For the County of Franklin.*—Robert Myers, James J. Griffin, Sam'l. W. Hutchinson, P. W. Cullen, Auctioneers;

Edward McCully, Nathan Baker, Daniel McDonald, Westcott Harris, Joseph Ridler, Anson Hancock, Benjamin Ellison, Post Wardens, Apalachicola;

Robert Myers, M. P. Ellis, Thos. L. Mitchell, B. F. Nourse, John Coupe, Commissioners of Pilotage, Apalachicola.

*For the County of Leon.*—R. H. Berry, John J. Rowles, John B. Keen, Auctioneers.

*For the County of Wakulla.*—George G. Holt, John Denham, Auctioneers;

Wm. H. Brodie, Port Warden, St. Marks.

*For the County of Madison.*—Ira Swift, David R. Townsend, Thomas R. Barnett, Auctioneers.

*For the County of Nassau.*—Waynes Swearingen, Francis D. Pons, Auctioneers.

*For the County of Duval.*—R. B. Gibbs, Benj. Wilson, Thos. W. Jones, J. H. McRory, Jr., Benj. Frisby, Charles DeWaal, Matthew Knight, Thomas Bowden, Auctioneers.

*For the County of St. Johns.*—George Center, Francis P. Ferrera, Joseph A. Straschka, Auctioneers.

*For the County of Levy.*—William Wilson, Auctioneer;

Joseph Oglesby, Thos. S. Winn, Thomas Day, Port Wardens at Cedar Keys.

*For the County of Hillsborough.*—Micajah C. Brown, A. C. Robinson, William Cooley, Joseph Moore, Wm. F. Lockwood, James McKay, William H. Wyatt, Auctioneers;

Micajah C. Brown, A. C. Robinson, William Cooley, Port Wardens at Tampa Bay.

*For the County of Hernando.*—James A. Bozett, Auctioneer.

*For the County of Monroe.*—Joseph B. Browne, Henry Lindsay, E. A. Falkner, Charles Tift, William Curry, William Saunders, John W. Porter, Charles M. Wells, P. J. Fontane, Crawford Thompson, James Filor, Wm. H. Wall, W. H. Von Pfister, William Pinckney, Hiram Bonnet, Asa F. Tift, Joseph A. Thouron, Jos. C. Whalton, John P. Baldwin, Auctioneers;

Samuel Harvey, Edward Dexter, Alex'r Browne, Henry Williams, Port Wardens, Key West;

Fredrick Filor, Christian Boyer, W. H. Von Pfister, L. Boughtman, Commissioners of Pilotage, Key West.

*For Putnam County.*—Jesse A. Brush, Auctioneer.

I have the honor to be,

Your mo. ob., &c.,

THO. BROWN.

Which was read, and the nominations therein contained agreed

to, except the nominations for the Counties of Leon and Wakulla, which were on motion laid on the table until to-morrow.

House resolutions authorizing the Treasurer of this State to borrow money from the Common School Fund for the County Commissioners of Calhoun, Washington, Marion and Duval Counties;

Was read the first time, rule waived, read the second time, and referred to the Committee on Schools and Colleges.

House bill entitled, An act regulating the times and places of holding the Circuit Courts of the Western Circuit;

Was read the first time, rule waived, read the second time by its title, and the amendments proposed by the Chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary adopted, said amendments ordered to be engrossed and said bill ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

House bill to be entitled, An act to provide for the payment of Coroner's Juries, and for other purposes;

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

Bill to be entitled, An act requiring original accounts and vouchers, and evidence upon which warrants are drawn by the Comptroller of Public Accounts to be filed in his office and not of that of the Treasurer;

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

House bill to be entitled, An act repealing sections first and second, and amending section third of an act in relation to trading with slaves, approved February 11, 1834:

Was read the second time; the amendments proposed by the Chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary, were adopted, and said bill as amended ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

On motion the Senate took a recess until 3 o'clock, P. M.

### 3 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Senate met, quorum present.

Committee from the Senate proceeded to inform the House that the hour agreed upon by both Houses of the General Assembly to go into the election of an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, had arrived, and that the Senate was then ready to proceed with said election.

On motion, Mr. Welch was excused for the remainder of the session, from Thursday next.

Committee from the House informed the Senate that the names of W. A. Forward and L. A. Thompson were in nomination.

The Senate proceeded to a thirty-ninth voting, which resulted as follows:

For Thompson—Messrs. Avery, Buddington, Stewart—3. Result in the House, 13. Total, 16.

For Forward—Mr. President, Messrs. Austin, Brown of Colum-

bia, Brown of Hillsborough, Johnson, Maxwell, Moseley, Taylor—8. Result in the House, 14. Total, 22.

Blank—Messrs. Baldwin, Finley, McMillan, Smith—4. House, 0. There being no election, the Senate proceeded to a fortieth voting.

Committee from the House informed the Senate that the name of C. H. DuPont was in nomination.

For Forward—Mr. President, Messrs. Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Johnson, Maxwell, Moseley, Taylor—7. Result in the House—11. Total, 18.

For Thompson—Messrs. Austin, Avery, Buddington, McMillan, Stewart—5. Result in the House, 11. Total, 16.

Blank—Messrs. Baldwin, Finley, Smith, 3. Result in the House, 0. Total, 3.

For DuPont—0. Result in the House, 5. Total, 5.

There being no election, the Senate proceeded to a forty-first voting, which resulted as follows:

For Thompson—Mr. President, Messrs. Avery, Maxwell, McMillan, Moseley, Stewart, Taylor—7. Result in the House, 14. Total, 21.

For DuPont—Mr. Johnson, 1. Result in the House—9. Total, 10.

For Baker—Mr. Austin, 1. Result in the House, 5. Total, 6.

Blank—Messrs. Baldwin, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Finley, Smith, 5. Result in the House, 0. Total, 5.

Committee from the House informed the Senate that the name of W. A. Forward was withdrawn.

There being no election the Senate proceeded to a forty-second voting, which resulted as follows:

Mr. President nominated the name of Thos. Randall.

For Thompson—Messrs. Avery, Brown of Columbia, Buddington, Maxwell, Moseley, Stewart, Taylor, 7. Result in the House, 14. Total, 21.

For DuPont—Mr. Johnson, 1. Result in the House, 10. Total, 11.

For Baker—Mr. Austin, 1. Result in the House, 0. Total, 1.

For Randall—Mr. President, Messrs. Finley, McMillan, Smith, 4. Result in the House, 1. Total, 5.

Blank—Messrs. Baldwin, Brown of Hillsborough—2. House, 3. Total—5.

For Mitchell—0. Result in the House, 7.

There being no election, the Senate proceeded to a forty-third voting.

Committee from the House informed the Senate that the name of Mr. Baker was withdrawn.

For Thompson—Messrs. Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Forward, Maxwell Moseley, Stewart, Taylor—7. Result in the House, 8. Total, 15.

For DuPont—Mr. Johnson—1. Result in the House, 13. Total, 14.

For Randall—Mr. President, Messrs. Austin, Avery, Buddington, Finley, McMillan, Smith—7. Result in the House, 6. Total, 13.

Blank—0. House, 2.

Committee from the House announced that the name of Dillon Jordan was in nomination.

Mr. President withdrew the name of Thomas Randall.

There being no election, the Senate proceeded to a forty-fourth voting.

For Jordan—Mr. President—1. Result in the House, 10. Total, 11.

For Thomson—Messrs. Avery, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Buddington, Forward, Maxwell, McMillan, Moseley, Stewart, Taylor—10. Result in the House, 5. Total, 15.

For DuPont—Messrs. Finley, Johnson—2. Result in the House, 0. Total, 2.

Blank—Messrs. Austin, Smith—2. House, 2. Total, 4.

In the House—For Randall, 13.

In the House—For Baltzell, 1.

There being no election, the Senate proceeded to a forty-fifth voting.

For Jordan—Mr. President, Mr. Johnson, 2. Result in the House, 5. Total, 7.

For Thompson—Messrs. Austin, Avery, Brown of Columbia, Brown, of Hillsborough, Buddington, Forward, Maxwell, McMillan, Moseley, Stewart, Taylor, 11. Result in the House, 22. Total, 33.

For Randall—Messrs. Finley, Smith, 2. Result in the House, 4. Total, 6.

Blank—Mr. Baldwin, 1. Result in the House, 0. Total, 1.

The President announced that Leslie A. Thompson, having received a majority of the concurrent vote of both Houses of the General Assembly, was duly elected Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Florida.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, January 21, 1851.

*Honorable President of the Senate:*

Sir:—The House have passed the following bills, viz:

Bill to be entitled, An act to incorporate the Franklin Mutual Insurance Company;

Bill to be entitled, An act in relation to the duties of the Comptroller and Treasurer of this State;

Bill to be entitled, An act to increase the salaries of the Comptroller of Public Accounts, Treasurer, and other officers;

Bill to be entitled, An act for the benefit of the Scrip holders of the late Territory of Florida;

Bill to be entitled, An act for the removal of the County Site in Nassau County;

Resolution relative to the establishment of a tri-weekly Mail between certain points;

Senate bill to be entitled, An act giving to the Judges of Probate of Escambia and Hamilton Counties the powers of Justice of the Peace in certain cases;

Senate bill to be entitled, An act to extend the provisions of the first section of an act giving a Lien to Steamboat men and others navigating the Bay and River of Apalachicola, approved January 4, 1847, and also of an act to amend an act, approved Jan. 4, 1847, giving a Lien to Steamboat men and others navigating the Bay and River of Apalachicola, approved January 11, 1849, over the County of Hillsborough;

Senate Resolution respecting Lands selected for the State;

Also, Senate bill to be entitled, An act to amend the Militia laws of this State, with the inclosed amendments;

In which, the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully,

H. ARCHER,

*Speaker House of Representatives.*

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

And said Senate bills ordered to be enrolled.

The Senate refused to concur in said amendments.

House bill to be entitled, An act in relation to the duties of the Comptroller and Treasurer of this State;

Was read the first time, rule waived, read the second time by its title, and on motion referred to a select Committee consisting of Messrs. Avery, Smith and Finley.

House bill to be entitled, An act to increase the salaries of the Comptroller, Treasurer, and other officers;

Was read the first time, rule waived, read the second time by its title, and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Avery, Smith and Finley.

House bill to be entitled, An act for the benefit of the Scrip-holders of the late Territory of Florida;

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

House bill to be entitled, An act for the removal of the County Site in Nassau County;

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. Austin, Avery, Baldwin, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Buddington, Finley, Forward, Johnson, Maxwell, McMillan, Moseley, Stewart, Taylor—15.

Nay—Mr. Smith—1.

Said bill passed. Title as stated.

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

House Resolution relative to the establishment of a tri-weekly Mail between certain points;

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

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

House bill to be entitled, An act to change the time of holding the Circuit Courts of the Middle Circuit;

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

Yeas—Messrs. Baldwin, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Buddington, Finley, Forward, Maxwell, McMillan, Stewart, Taylor—10.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Austin, Avery, Johnson, Moseley, Smith—6.

Said bill passed. Title as stated.

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

House bill to be entitled, An act to incorporate the Franklin Mutual Insurance Company;

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

Mr. Smith, Chairman of the Joint Select Committee from the Senate, reported that the Committee of Conference had rescinded the 6th Joint Rule for the government of the House;

Which report was concurred in.

Mr. Maxwell, on motion, obtained leave of absence for to-morrow.

Mr. Smith, on motion, obtained leave of absence until Friday morning next.

Mr. Baldwin moved that the Senate adjourn until half-past 10 o'clock to-morrow;

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

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

Nays—Messrs. Austin, Smith—2.

The Senate adjourned until half-past 10 o'clock, to-morrow, A. M.