

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.

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

FRIDAY, January 24, 1851.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

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

Mr. Avery 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 explanatory of an act entitled an act to provide for the increase of the School Fund from the State Treasury, passed at the present session of the General Assembly ;

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

Mr. Finley moved a re-consideration of House bill to be entitled, An act providing for the liquidation of defaulting Banks.

On this motion the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Finley and Smith, and were :

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Avery, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, Maxwell, McMillan, Moseley, Smith—9.

Nays—Messrs. Baldwin, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Forward, Johnson, Stewart, Taylor—7.

Said motion was carried.

Mr. Finley moved that all the sections of said bill be re-instated ;

On which motion the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Finley and Baldwin, and were :

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Avery, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, Maxwell, McMillan, Moseley, Smith—9.

Nays—Messrs. Baldwin, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Forward, Johnson, Stewart, Taylor—7.

Said motion prevailed, and said bill was read the first time.

Mr. Finley moved that the rule be waived, and that said bill be read the second and third times to-day ;

Which was lost.

Said bill was ordered to a second reading to-morrow.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor:

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER, January 23, 1851.

To the Honorable R. J. FLOYD,

President of the Senate:

Sir:—I have approved and signed the following acts:

An act to regulate Camp Hunting in the Counties of Escambia and Santa Rosa:

An act to tax slaves brought into this State for hire;

An act to enable Executors, Administrators and Guardians to sell the real estate of infants:

An act to incorporate the Apalachicola Mutual Insurance Company;

An act for the relief of J. L. Wyman;

An act providing for the investment of a portion of the Seminary and Common School Fund; also,

Preamble and resolution for the relief of Henry C. Wilson.

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

THO. BROWN.

Which was read.

Mr. Maxwell, from the Committee on Federal Relations, made the following report:

The Committee on Federal Relations, to whom was referred so much of the Governor's message as relates to National affairs, and also the memorial to the State Legislatures of the United States, by John W. King, have instructed me to report:

That inasmuch as the two houses of the General Assembly, on a previous day, appointed a Joint Committee of fifteen to take into consideration the matters referred to them, they deemed it unnecessary to act further in the premises, and they ask to be discharged.

A. E. MAXWELL, *Chairman.*

Which was received.

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

The Committee on Enrolled Bills report as correctly enrolled:

An act for the incorporation of Plank Road Companies;

An act to amend the laws now in force in this State relative to the foreclosure of mortgages:

An act granting to the Florida and Alabama 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;

An act making appropriations for the expenses of the fifth General Assembly, and for other purposes;

An act for the relief of Nathaniel P. Bemis;

An act providing for the increase of the School Fund from the State Treasury;

An act to re-establish the records of Gadsden County.

W. A. FORWARD, *Chairman.*

Which was received.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, January 23, 1851.

Honorable President of the Senate:

Sir:—The House have passed bill to be entitled, An act to secure the Swamp and Overflowed Lands lately granted to this State, and for other purposes.

Respectfully,

H. ARCHER,

Speaker House of Representatives.

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

The following communication was transmitted to his Excellency the Governor:

SENATE CHAMBER, January 24, 1851.

His Excellency, THOMAS BROWN,

Governor of Florida:

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

An act making appropriations for the expenses of the fifth General Assembly, and for other purposes;

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;

An act to amend the laws now in force in this State relative to the foreclosure of mortgages;

An act providing for the increase of the School Fund from the State Treasury;

An act for the relief of Nathaniel P. Bemis;

An act to re-establish the records of Gadsden County;

An act explanatory of an act entitled an act to provide for the increase of the School fund from the State Treasury, passed by the present General Assembly.

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

N. McPHERSON,

Secretary of the Senate.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, January 24, 1851.

His Excellency, THOMAS BROWN,

Governor of Florida:

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

An act to require the 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 in that of the Treasurer ;

An act to provide for the collection of taxes and high-way dues against free persons of color ;

Resolution relative to the establishment of two Seminaries of Learning.

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

Very respectfully, &c.,

NEIL McPHERSON,
Secretary of the Senate.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Bill to be entitled, An act to secure the Swamp and Overflowed Lands lately granted to the State, and for other purposes ;

Was read the second time,

Mr. Baldwin moved that said bill be referred to a select Committee.

Which was carried, and Messrs. Baldwin, Finley and Brown of Columbia were appointed said Committee.

House bill to be entitled, An act to prohibit the introduction of slaves into this State for sale ;

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

Yeas—Messrs. Buddington, Forward, Maxwell, Stewart—4.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Avery, Baldwin, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Crawford, Finley, Johnson, McMillan, Moseley, Smith, Taylor—12.

Said bill was lost.

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

The following message was received from the House of Representatives :

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, January 24, 1851.

Honorable President of the Senate :

Sir:—The House have passed without amendment, Senate bill to be entitled, An act explanatory of an act entitled an act to provide for the increase of the School Fund from the State Treasury.

Respectfully,

H. ARCHER,

Speaker House of Representatives.

Which was read and said bill ordered to be enrolled.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor :

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER, January 24, 1851.

The Honorable R. J. FLOYD,

President of the Senate :

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

An act to amend the law authorizing the organization of Fire Companies;

An act to provide for the establishment of two Seminaries of Learning;

An act supplemental to an act entitled an act to regulate Camp Hunting in the Counties of Escambia and Santa Rosa;

An act for the relief of Drs. Franklin Hart and J. T. Rascoe;

An act to provide for the more effectual administration of justice in the Courts of this State; also,

Preamble and resolutions relative to lands granted to this State for Seminaries of Learning.

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

THO. BROWN.

Which was read.

Also the following:

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER, January 24, 1851.

To the Honorable R. J. FLOYD,

President of the Senate:

Sir:—I respectfully make to the General Assembly the following nomination for confirmation, viz:

James D. Morris, Auctioneer for the County of Jefferson.

Very respectfully,

THO. BROWN.

Which was read, and said nomination confirmed.

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

The Committee on Enrolled Bills, report as correctly enrolled,

An act explanatory of an act entitled, An act to provide for the increase of the School Fund from the State Treasury, passed by the present General Assembly.

W. A. FORWARD, *Chairman.*

Which was received.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor:

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER, January 24, 1851.

The Honorable R. J. FLOYD,

President of the Senate:

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

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;

An act to provide for the collection of taxes and high-way dues against free persons of color; also,

Resolutions relative to the establishment of two Seminaries of Learning.

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

THO. BROWN.

Which was read.

The Senate took a recess until half past 12 o'clock P. M.

HALF PAST 12 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Senate met, quorum present.

On motion of Mr. Baldwin the ruled was waived, and he allowed to make the following report:

The Select Committee, to whom was referred House bill to be entitled, An act to secure the swamp and overflowed lands lately granted to this State and for other purposes, have had the same under consideration, and report the same back with the following amendments, and ask the concurrence of the Senate.

JOHN P. BALDWIN.

Strike out the first and second section, and insert the following in lieu thereof:

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House Representatives of the State of Florida in General Assembly convened,* That the Governor is authorized and hereby requested to take such measures as to him may seem expedient, and most to the interests of this State, in securing and classifying the lands lately granted to this State designated as "swamp or overflowed lands," and that the plats of said land, as soon as secured, shall be delivered to the Register of this State, and said lands shall be subject to sale under the same rules, regulations, and restrictions as are now or may hereafter be imposed upon the sale of Seminary lands.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That all the necessary expenses of examining the lands to be secured, or in procuring maps, plats, records field notes, or other evidence touching the title and description of said land, shall be paid out of any moneys received from the sale of said lands: *Provided, further,* That the accounts shall be first audited by the Comptroller, and his warrant drawn therefor, as in other cases.

Strike out the fourth section, and insert in lieu:

SEC. 4. *Be it further enacted,* That the Treasurer shall keep a separate and distinct account of all moneys or bonds received from the sales of all swamp or overflowed lands, and shall make an annual statement of the same to his Excellency the Governor, to be laid before the General Assembly at their regular sessions.

Strike out the fifth section, and make section sixth read as section five.

Strike out seventh section, and make section eight read as section six.

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

Bill to be entitled, An act to secure the Swamp and Overflowed Lands lately granted to this State, and for other purposes;

Was read the second time, rule waived, read the third time by its title, 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, Maxwell, McMillan, Moseley, Smith—13.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Stewart, Taylor—3.

Said bill passed. Title as stated.

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

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

3 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Senate met, quorum present.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, January 24, 1851.

Honorable President of the Senate:

Sir:—The House have concurred in the substitute to bill to be entitled, An act to fix the compensation of Tax Assessors and Collectors; and bill to be entitled, An act to secure the Swamp and Overflowed Lands lately granted to this State, and for other purposes, and have refused to concur in the amendments to bill to be entitled, An act to amend an act fixing the time of meeting of the General Assembly of Florida.

Respectfully,

H. ARCHER,

Speaker House of Representatives.

Which was read.

The Senate refused to recede from its amendment to said bill.

Mr. Smith moved that a Committee of Conference be appointed to confer with a similar Committee on the part of the House of Representatives;

Which was carried, and Messrs. Smith, Finley and Forward were appointed said Committee.

Which Committee made the following report:

The Committee of the Senate appointed to confer with a similar Committee of the House, in relation to the disagreement of the two Houses in the Senate amendments to a bill entitled, An act to change the time of the meeting of the General Assembly, have performed the duty assigned them, and ask leave to report:

That the Joint Committee of conference have unanimously agreed to recommend that the bill be amended by inserting the "first Monday in January," instead of the "first Monday in November," and

by striking out all that part of the bill which provides for the limitation of the sessions of the Legislature to forty-two days.

D. J. SMITH, *Chairman*,
J. J. FINLEY,
W. A. FORWARD.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, January 24, 1851.

Honorable President of the Senate:

Sir:—The House has passed without amendment, enclosed Senate bill to be entitled, An act to change and fix the compensation of the Solicitors of this State.

Respectfully,

H. ARCHER,

Speaker House of Representatives.

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

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor:

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER, January 24, 1851.

The Honorable R. J. FLOYD,

President of the Senate:

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

An act for the incorporation of Plank Road Companies;

An act making appropriations for the expenses of the fifth General Assembly, and for other purposes;

An act granting to the Alabama and Florida Rail road 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 Rail road from Pensacola to Montgomery;

An act to amend the laws now in force in this State relative to the foreclosure of mortgages;

An act providing for the increase of the School Fund from the State Treasury;

An act for the relief of Nathaniel P. Bemis;

An act to establish the records of Gadsden County;

An act explanatory of an act entitled, An act to provide for the increase of the School Fund from the State Treasury.

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

THOMAS BROWN.

Which was read.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, January 24, 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 establish a Circuit Court in Levy

County, and to fix the terms of the Circuit Courts of the several Counties of the Southern Circuit.

Respectfully,

H. ARCHER,

Speaker House Representatives.

Which was read, 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:

An act to change and fix the salaries and compensation of the Solicitors of this State.

W. A. FORWARD, *Chairman.*

Which was received.

Bill to be entitled, An act to amend an act entitled an act to establish a Circuit Court in Levy County, and to fix the terms of the Circuit Courts of the several Counties of the Southern Circuit:

Was read the first time.

On motion to waive the rule that said bill be read the second and third times to day, the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Brown of Hillsborough, and Moseley, and were:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Avery, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Moseley, Taylor—6.

Nays—Messrs. Baldwin, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, Forward, Johnson, McMillan, Smith—8.

Said motion was lost.

On motion said vote was reconsidered, rule waived, the bill 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, Brown of Hillsborough, Buddington, Crawford, 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.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor:

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER, January 24, 1851.

The Honorable R. J. FLOYD,

President of the Senate:

SIR: I have approved and signed,

An act to change and fix the salaries and compensation of the Solicitors of this State;

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

THOMAS BROWN.

Which was read.

Mr. Finley moved that a Committee be appointed to inform the House, that the Senate is now ready to proceed to the election of a Board of Internal Improvements for the State of Florida;

Which was carried and Messrs. Finley, Forward and Smith, were appointed said Committee.

Said Committee reported that they had performed the duty assigned them.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives :

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, January 24, 1851.

Honorable President of the Senate :

Sir:—The House have concurred in the amendments to bill to be entitled, An act to amend an act to establish a Circuit Court in the County of Levy, and fixing the time of holding the terms of Circuit Courts in the several Counties of the Southern Circuit.

Respectfully,

H. ARCHER,

Speaker House of Representatives.

Which was read.

Also the following :

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, January 24, 1851.

Honorable President of the Senate :

Sir:—The House have adopted the accompanying resolution, asking an appropriation of land, to aid in the construction of the Atlantic and Gulf Rail Road Company.

Senate resolution appropriating ten per cent. upon the Auction taxes to the Common School Fund for the several counties in this State, has been indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully,

H. ARCHER,

Speaker House of Representatives.

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

The Senate on motion took a recess for ten minutes.

The Senate again came to order.

Committee from the House informed the Senate, that the House was then ready to go into the election of a Board of Internal Improvement for the State of Florida.

The Senate proceeded to the Hall of Representatives, and the President, by invitation of the Speaker, took the Chair.

The President having announced the object of the joint meeting, on motion, the Assembly proceeded to vote for a member of the Board of Internal Improvement from the Southern Circuit.

Mr. McCall nominated Benjamin Sawyer.

Mr. Magbee nominated Jesse Carter.

The first voting resulted as follows :

For Carter—*Senate*—Messrs. Brown of Columbia, Brown of

Hillsborough, Finley, Forward, McMillan, Moseley, Smith, Stewart and Taylor—9.

House—Mr. Speaker, Messrs. Anderson, Brett, Finlayson, Langford, Lott, Magbee, Maxwell and Steele—9.

Total—18.

For Sawyer—*Senate*—Mr. President, Messrs. Baldwin and Johnson—3.

House—Messrs. Baker, Battle, Bennett, Brown, Burnham, Dilworth, Geiger, Hawes, McCall and Scott—10.

Total—13.

Blank—*Senate*—Messrs. Avery, Buddington and Crawford—3.

House—Messrs. Brownell, Bryant, Long, Mathers, Shine and Wilkinson—6.

Total—9.

The President declared that there was no election.

Second voting :

For Carter—*Senate*—Messrs. Avery, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Finley, Forward, Johnson, McMillan, Moseley, Smith, Stewart and Taylor—11.

House—Mr. Speaker, Messrs. Anderson, Brett, Brownell, Bryant, Finlayson, Geiger, Langford, Lott, Magbee, Mathers, Maxwell, Scott, Shine, Steele and Wilkinson—16.

Total—27.

For Sawyer—*Senate*—Mr. President, Messrs. Baldwin, Buddington and Crawford—4.

House—Messrs. Baker, Battle, Bennett, Brown, Burnham, Dilworth, Hawes, Long and McCall—9.

Total—13.

The President declared that there was no election.

Mr. Brown of Hillsborough nominated John Darling.

The nominations of Jesse Carter and Benjamin Sawyer were withdrawn.

Third voting :

For Darling—*Senate*—Mr. President, Messrs. Avery, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, Forward, Johnson, McMillan, Moseley, Smith and Taylor—13.

House—Mr. Speaker, Messrs. Anderson, Baker, Bennett, Brett, Brownell, Brown, Bryant, Burnham, Dilworth, Finlayson, Geiger, Hawes, Langford, Long, Lott, Magbee, Mathers, Maxwell, Scott, Shine, Steele and Wilkinson—23.

Total—34.

Blank—*Senate*—Messrs. Baldwin, Stewart—2.

House—Mr. McCall—1.

Total—3.

The President declared John Darling duly elected member of the Board of Internal Improvement from the Southern Circuit.

The joint meeting proceeded to the election of a member from the Eastern Circuit.

Mr. Geiger nominated James W. Bryant.

Mr. Stewart nominated E. R. Alberti.

The first voting resulted as follows:

For Bryant—*Senate*—Mr. President, Messrs. Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, Moseley—7.

House—Mr. Speaker, Messrs. Anderson, Baker, Bennett, Brett, Brownell, Brown, Geiger, Langford, Long, Lott, Mathers, Maxwell, McCall, Scott, Shine, Steele, Wilkinson—18.

Total—25.

For Alberti—*Senate*—Messrs. Forward, Johnson, McMillan, Smith, Stewart, Taylor—6.

House—Messrs. Burnham, Dilworth, Finlayson, Hawes—4.

Total—10.

Blank—*Senate*—Messrs. Avery, Baldwin—2.

House—Mr. Magbee—1.

Total—3.

The President declared that there was no election.

Second voting:

For Bryant—*Senate*—Mr. President, Messrs. Avery, Brown of Hillsborough, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, Johnson, McMillan, Moseley, Smith—10.

House—Mr. Speaker, Messrs. Anderson, Bennett, Brett, Brownell, Brown, Finlayson, Geiger, Langford, Long, Lott, Mathers, Maxwell, McCall, Scott, Shine, Steele, Wilkinson—18.

Total—28.

For Alberti—*Senate*—Messrs. Brown of Columbia, Forward, Stewart, Taylor—4.

House—Messrs. Burnham, Dilworth, Hawes—3.

Total—7.

Blank—*Senate*—Mr. Baldwin—1.

House—Mr. Magbee—1.

Total—2.

The President declared that there was no election.

Third voting:

For Bryant—*Senate*—Mr. President, Messrs. Avery, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, Johnson, McMillan, Moseley, Smith, Taylor—12.

House—Mr. Speaker, Messrs. Anderson, Baker, Battle, Bennett, Brett, Brownell, Brown, Finlayson, Geiger, Langford, Long, Lott, Mathers, Maxwell, McCall, Scott, Shine, Steele, Wilkinson—20.

Total—32.

For Alberti—*Senate*—Messrs. Forward, Stewart—2.

House—Messrs. Burnham, Dilworth, Hawes—3.

Total—5.

Blank—*Senate*—Mr. Baldwin—1.

House—Mr. Magbee—1.

Total—2.

The President declared James W. Bryant duly elected member of the Board of Internal Improvement from the Eastern Circuit.

The joint meeting proceeded to the election of a member from the Middle Circuit.

Mr. Johnson nominated R. W. Parramore.

Mr. Crawford nominated Richard K. Call.

Mr. Maxwell (of the House) nominated Richard A. Shine.

The first voting resulted as follows:

For Call—*Senate*—Mr. President, Messrs. Baldwin, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, McMillan, Smith, Stewart—7.

House—Messrs. Brown, McCall, Wilkinson—3.

Total—10.

For Parramore—*Senate*—Messrs. Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Johnson, Moseley, Taylor—5.

House—Mr. Speaker, Messrs. Anderson, Burnham, Finlayson, Hawes, Langford, Lott, Magbee, Scott, Shine—10.

Total—15.

For Shine—*Senate*—Mr. Forward—1.

House—Messrs. Baker, Battle, Bennett, Brett, Brownell, Bryant, Dilworth, Geiger, Long, Mathers, Maxwell, Steele—12.

Total—13.

Blank—*Senate*—Mr. Avery—1.

The President declared that there was no election.

The nomination of Mr. Shine was withdrawn.

Second voting:

For Call—*Senate*—Mr. President, Messrs. Avery, Baldwin, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, McMillan, Smith, Stewart—9.

House—Messrs. Baker, Battle, Bennett, Brett, Brownell, Brown, Bryant, Geiger, Mathers, Maxwell, McCall, Scott, Shine, Wilkinson—14.

Total—23.

For Parramore—*Senate*—Messrs. Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Forward, Johnson, Moseley, Taylor—6.

House—Mr. Speaker, Messrs. Anderson, Burnham, Dilworth, Finlayson, Hawes, Langford, Long, Lott, Magbee, Steele—11.

Total—17.

The President declared that there was no election.

Third voting:

For Call—*Senate*—Mr. President, Messrs. Avery, Baldwin, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, McMillan, Smith, Stewart and Taylor—12.

House—Mr. Speaker, Messrs. Baker, Battle, Bennett, Brett, Brownell, Brown, Bryant, Dilworth, Finlayson, Geiger, Lott, Mathers, Maxwell, McCall, Scott, Shine, Steele and Wilkinson—19.

Total—31.

For Parramore—*Senate*—Messrs. Forward, Johnson and Moseley—3.

House—Messrs. Anderson, Burnham, Hawes, Langford, Long and Magbee—6.

Total—9.

The President declared Richard K. Call duly elected member of the Board of Internal Improvement from the Middle Circuit.

The joint meeting proceeded to the election of a member from the Western Circuit.

Mr. Finley nominated Archibald T. Bennett.

Mr. Smith (of the Senate,) nominated John L. McKinnon.

The first voting resulted as follows:

For Bennett—*Senate*—Mr. President, Messrs. Baldwin, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Finley, Forward, Johnson, Stewart and Taylor—9.

House—Mr. Speaker, Messrs. Anderson, Baker, Battle, Bryant, Burnham, Dilworth, Finlayson, Geiger, Hawes, Lott, Magbee, Maxwell, McCall, Scott and Steele—16.

Total—25.

For McKinnon—*Senate*—Messrs. Avery, Buddington, Crawford, McMillan and Smith—5.

House—Messrs. Brett, Brown, Long and Wilkinson—4.

Total—9.

For Nicholas A. Long—*House*—Mr. Shine—1.

Blank—*Senate*—Mr. Moseley—1.

House—Messrs. Brownell, Langford and Mathers—3.

Total—4.

The President declared that there was no election.

Second voting:

For Bennett—*Senate*—Mr. President, Messrs. Baldwin, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Finley, Forward, Johnson, Stewart, and Taylor—9.

House—Mr. Speaker, Messrs. Allen, Anderson, Baker, Battle, Brownell, Brown, Bryant, Burnham, Dilworth, Finlayson, Geiger, Hawes, Langford, Lott, Magbee, Maxwell, McCall, Scott, Shine, Steele and Wilkinson—22.

Total—31.

For McKinnon—*Senate*—Messrs. Avery, Buddington, Crawford, McMillan and Smith—5.

House—Messrs. Brett, Long and Mathers—3.

Total—8.

Blank—*Senate*—Mr. Moseley—1.

The President declared Archibald T. Bennett duly elected member of the Board of Internal Improvement from the Western Circuit.

The joint meeting then adjourned, and the Senate returned to their Chamber.

Resolution asking an appropriation of land, to aid in the construction of the Atlantic and Gulf Rail Road Company.

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

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

The following communication was transmitted to his Excellency the Governor:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, January 24, 1851.

His Excellency, THOMAS BROWN,
Governor of Florida:

Sir:—We have the honor to inform your excellency that at a joint meeting of the General Assembly held this day for the purpose of electing four members of the Board of Internal Improvement of this State, one from each of the Judicial Circuits, Mr. John Darling was elected member from the Southern Circuit, James W. Bryant from the Eastern Circuit, Richard K. Call from the Middle Circuit, and Archibald T. Bennett from the Western Circuit.

We have the honor to be,

Respectfully,

Your obedient serv'ts,

NEIL McPHERSON,

Secretary of the Senate.

W. H. MILTON.

Clerk House of Representatives.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, January 24, 1851.

His Excellency THOMAS BROWN,
Governor of Florida:

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

An act to change and fix the salaries and compensation of the Solicitors of this State, passed both Houses of the General Assembly, and signed by the respective officers thereof.

Very respectfully,

NEILL McPHERSON,

Secretary of the Senate.

The Senate on motion took a recess until 7 o'clock this evening.

7 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Senate again met, quorum present.

On motion of Mr. Baldwin, a Committee was appointed to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate had no further business before them.

Messrs. Baldwin, Forward and Johnson, were appointed said Committee.

Which Committee reported that they had performed the duty assigned them.

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

Which was carried, and he introduced the following Resolution:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate be, and he is hereby required to make an inventory of the chairs, inkstands, sand-boxes, and other property of the State now in the Senate Chamber, and to deposit the same with the Treasurer.

Said Resolution was read and adopted.

Committee from the House of Representatives informed the Senate that the House desired the return of a Resolution relative to the payment into the School Fund ten per cent. of the monies arising from sales at Auction;

Which Resolution was transmitted to the House of Representatives.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives:

HOUSE REPRESENTATIVES, January 24, 1851.

Hon. President of the Senate :

SIR: The House have adopted the Senate Resolution appropriating ten per cent upon the Auction taxes, with the following amendment, viz:

Add the following Proviso—

Provided, That the amount to which the counties are respectively entitled shall have been paid into the Treasury.

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

Respectively,

H. ARCHER,

Speaker House Representatives.

Which was read, and said amendment concurred in, and said Resolution ordered to be enrolled.

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

The Committee on Enrolled Bills beg leave to report as correctly enrolled,

Resolution appropriating ten per cent. upon the Auction Taxes to the Common School Fund for the several Counties in this State.

W. A. FORWARD, *Chairman.*

Which was received.

The following communication was transmitted to his Excellency the Governor:

SENATE CHAMBER, January 24, 1851.

His Excellency THOMAS BROWN,

Governor of Florida :

SIR: I have the honor herewith to transmit for the approval of your Excellency the following resolution, viz:

Resolution appropriating ten per cent. upon the Auction Taxes to the Common School Fund for the several Counties in this State.

Very respectfully,

N. McPHERSON,
Secretary of the Senate.

Committee from the House informed the Senate that the House had no further communication to make to the Senate, and was ready to adjourn *sine die*.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor:

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER, January 24, 1851.

The Honorable R. J. FLOYD,

President of the Senate:

Sir:—I have approved and signed a Resolution appropriating ten per cent. upon the Auction taxes to the Common School Fund for the several Counties of this State.

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

THO. BROWN.

Which was read.

Mr. Maxwell moved that a committee be appointed to wait upon his Excellency the Governor and inform him that the Senate is now ready to adjourn, and to inquire if his Excellency has any further communication to make to the General Assembly.

Messrs. Maxwell, Finley, and Forward, were appointed said Committee.

Who reported that they had performed the duty assigned them, and that his Excellency the Governor had no further communication to make to the Senate.

Mr. Johnson having assumed the Chair, Mr. Moseley offered the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate be, and they are hereby, tendered to the Hon. R. J. Floyd for the able, dignified, courteous, and impartial manner in which he has discharged the duties of presiding officer of this body at its present session.

Resolved further, That the thanks of the Senate be, and they are hereby tendered to the Secretary and other officers for the faithful manner in which they have discharged their respective duties.

Which was unanimously adopted.

The President, on resuming the Chair, returned the Senate his thanks in an appropriate address.

On motion, the Senate adjourned *sine die*.