

A bill to be entitled, An act to establish the fees of Notaries Public in certain cases;

Was read the second time, and on motion of Mr. Smith, said bill was referred to the Judiciary Committee, and 75 copies ordered to be printed.

A bill to be entitled, An act to legitimate John Robert Geiger;

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

A bill to be entitled, An act to abolish the tenth clause of the sixth article of the Constitution of this State;

Was read the first, second and third times, as of to-day, and ordered to be engrossed for to-morrow.

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

TUESDAY, December 3, 1850.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

A quorum being present, the Journal of yesterday's proceedings was read and approved.

Mr. Avery, pursuant to previous notice, asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill to be entitled, An act to amend the 20th section of the 5th article of the Constitution, so as to allow the General Assembly to require the Justices of the Supreme Court, Chancellor, or the Judges of the Circuit Court, to perform certain duties with regard to the subject of Education;

Which was read the first time, and on motion of Mr. Avery, the rule was waived, the bill read the second time, referred to the Committee on Schools and Colleges, and 75 copies ordered to be printed.

Pursuant to previous notice, Mr. Avery introduced a bill to be entitled, An act prescribing the duty of the Register of Public Lands, Sheriffs and Solicitors, in relation to the recovery of estates escheating or reverting to the School Fund, on account of a defect of heirs or next of kin, and for other purposes;

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

Mr. Finley gave notice that he would, at some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill to be entitled, An act to amend the tenth section of an act, approved on the 27th day of December, A. D. 1848, and entitled "An act to re-establish the Records of the County of Jackson, and for other purposes."

Mr. Brown of Columbia, gave notice that he would, on a future day, ask leave to introduce a bill to be entitled, An act to separate the offices of Sheriff, Collector and Assessor of Taxes in the County of Columbia.

Pursuant to previous notice, Mr. McMillan asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill to be entitled, An act for the relief of George M. Hamilton;

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

Pursuant to previous notice, Mr. Buddington introduced a bill to be entitled, An acts in addition to the acts now in force in relation to crimes and misdemeanors;

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

Mr. Baldwin, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, presented the following report;

The Committee on Engrossed Bills beg leave to Report as correctly engrossed the following bills, viz:

A bill to be entitled, An act to abolish the tenth clause of the sixth article of the Constitution of this State;

A bill to be entitled, An act to legitimate John Robert Geiger;

A bill to be entitled, An act to amend the act incorporating the city of Pensacola, approved the 2d March, 1839.

JOHN P. BALDWIN, *Chairman.*

Which was read.

Mr. Baldwin presented the following Report:

The joint select Committee on the part of the Senate, appointed to draft joint rules for the government of both Houses, report the joint rules of the last session without amendment, and that 75 copies be printed.

Which was read and laid on the table.

Mr. Smith presented the following Report:

The Select Committee, to whom was referred the petition of sundry citizens of the County of Columbia, and also the petition of sundry citizens of the County of Hamilton, praying the General Assembly not to employ Chaplains, &c., beg leave to

REPORT:

That they have had the same under consideration, and feeling a deep sense of our reliance on an overruling Providence for public as well as individual prosperity; therefore your Committee, while they deprecate a Union of Church and State, or any thing like discrimination by the Government between the various Christian denominations as much as the said petitioners, and while they are ready to acknowledge the right of petition to the citizens; and anxious to pay all possible respect to the said petitioners, they nevertheless, upon mature reflection, beg leave to say, that they see the greatest propriety in all deliberative assemblies invoking the aid of the Most High in the performance of public duty.

D. J. SMITH, *Chairman.*

Which was read and concurred in.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

A bill to be entitled, An act to authorize Hiram Roberts, a minor, of Jackson County, to assume the management of his own estate, and to contract and be contracted with,

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

A bill to be entitled, An act to change the name of Roxanna Jones,

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

A bill to be entitled, An act to repeal an act to improve the Navigation of the Suwannee River,

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

A bill to be entitled, An act amendatory of the several acts in relation to Executions,

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

A bill to be entitled, An act in relation to Pilotage for the port of Key West,

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

A bill to be entitled, An act to amend an act entitled, An act concerning practitioners of Medicine in this State, approved 10th February, 1831,

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

Engrossed bill to be entitled, An act to legitimate John Robert Geiger,

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, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, 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.

Engrossed bill to be entitled, An act to amend the act incorporating the city of Pensacola, approved March 2nd, 1849,

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, McMillan, Moseley, Perry, Smith, Stewart and Taylor—17.

Nays—None.

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

Engrossed bill to be entitled, An act to abolish the tenth clause of the sixth Article of the Constitution of this State;

Was read the third time, and on motion laid on the table until Thursday next.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives, which was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, December 3, 1850.

Honorable President of the Senate:

SIR:—Messrs. Finlayson and Bryant have been appointed a Committee on the part of the House, to act with the one appointed by the Senate in reference to the office of Register of Public Lands, so far as relates to the accounts and acts therein of the late incumbent, Major John Beard.

Respectfully,

W. H. MILTON,

Clerk House Representatives.

Mr. Forward moved that the Secretary respectfully return the Resolution to the House of Representatives, calling the attention of the members thereof to the fact, that the appointment of said Committee is made under the provisions of the act referred to therein, and which requires the appointment of three on the part of the House, which fact the Senate presumes was inadvertently overlooked by that body;

Which was carried:

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

WEDNESDAY, December 4, 1850.

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. Avery gave notice that he would, at a future day, ask leave to introduce a bill to be entitled, An act to amend an act for securing Liens to Mechanics, Overseers, and others, approved December 29th, 1845, so as to provide a remedy in case of the absconding of a contractor.

Pursuant to previous notice, Mr. Austin introduced a bill to be entitled, An act to amend the Constitution of the State of Florida;

Which was read and ordered for a second reading to-morrow.

M. 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 to change the name of Roxanna Jones to Roxanna Wheeler.

JOHN P. BALDWIN, *Chairman.*