

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.*

Mr. Forward, from the Judiciary Committee, made the following Report:

The Judiciary Committee have had under consideration a bill entitled, "An act to authorize Hiram Roberts, a minor, of Jackson County, to assume the manage of his own estate, and to contract and be contracted with," and have amended the same by striking out second section thereof.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. A. FORWARD, *Chairman pro tem.*

Which was read and concurred in.

Mr. McMillan, from a Select Committee, presented the following Report:

The Select Committee, to whom was referred the petition of the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Rosa County, ask leave to

REPORT:

That they have had the same under consideration, and can see no just cause why the prayer of the petitioners should not be granted; and therefore recommend the passage of the following bill, to-wit:

A bill to be entitled, An act to change and make more permanent the dividing line between the Counties of Santa Rosa and Walton.

NEILL McMILLAN,
Chairman Select Committee.
JOHN GHENT.

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

A bill to be entitled, An act for the relief of George M. Hamilton, Was read the second time, and on motion referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

A bill to be entitled, An act in addition to the acts now in force in relation to Crimes and Misdemeanors,

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

Engrossed bill to be entitled, An act to change the name of Roxanna Jone to Roxanna Wheeler,

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—16.

Nays—None.

Said bill passed. Title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House.

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 ordered to be engrossed for a third reading to-morrow.

A bill to be entitled, An act to amend the eleventh clause of the fifth article of the Constitution of this State; and also to amend an act amendatory of the twelfth clause of the fifth article of the Constitution of this State; and adopted by the third and fourth General Assemblies, so as to give the election of Judges to the People.

Was read the second time, and on motion, referred to the Committee on Amendments and Revision of the Constitution.

On motion, the Senate took a recess until 12 o'clock, M.

TWELVE O'CLOCK, M.

The Senate resumed its session. Quorum present.

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

THURSDAY, December 5, 1850.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The Rev. Mr. Pratt officiated as Chaplain.

A quorum being present, yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

Mr. Avery moved that the Register of Public Lands be requested to inform the Senate of the number of acres of Internal Improvement Land sold, the average price per acre for which said Land has been sold, the number of acres sold for which the State has complete title.

The number of acres sold of Lands selected for Internal Improvements, but which selections have not been approved, and the date of the last sale of the last mentioned Lands.

Also, the number of acres of Seminary Lands sold, and the average price per acre, for which said Land has been sold.

Also, that the Register be requested to inform the Senate concerning the operation of the Pre-emption Law passed at the last session—whether it has been beneficial in its operation, or otherwise, and to make such suggestions as he thinks advisable with regard to the management of the Seminary and Internal Improvement Lands.

Which motions were carried.

Mr. Smith gave notice that he would, on some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill to be entitled, An act for the relief of Levi F. Miller, Sheriff of Washington County.

Pursuant to previous notice, Mr. Forward introduced a bill to be entitled, An act to alter and amend proceedings in Chancery in certain cases.

Which was read the first time, and on motion of Mr. Forward, laid on the table; and seventy-five copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. Baldwin, pursuant to notice previously given, introduced a