

So said bill was lost.

Engrossed bill to be entitled, An act in relation to Injunctions.

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Austin, Avery, Brown of Columbia, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, Forward, Johnson, Maxwell, McMillan, Moseley, Perry, Smith, Stewart, Taylor—16.

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 an act providing for the purchase, on the part of the State, of Lands offered for sale for Taxes, approved January 11th, 1849;

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

Nay—Mr. Austin—1

Said bill passed. Title as stated.

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

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

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THURSDAY, December 19, 1850.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The Rev. Mr. Pratt officiated as Chaplain.

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

Pursuant to previous notice, Mr. Brown of Columbia, introduced a bill to be entitled, An act to authorize the Administrators of Henry V. Ellis, deceased, to sell real estate;

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

Mr. Forward introduced the following resolution:

*Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Florida in General Assembly convened, That on Monday next, the 23d inst., at 12 o'clock, M., the two Houses proceed to the election of a United States Senator, for the State of Florida, to supply the vacancy which will occur on the 4th March next, in consequence of the expiration of the term of the Hon. D. L. Yulee.*

Mr. Baldwin moved the indefinite postponement of said resolution.

Upon this motion, the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Baldwin and Forward, and were:

Yeas—Messrs. Austin, Baldwin, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, Smith, Stewart—7.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Avery, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Forward, Johnson, Maxwell, McMillan, Moseley, Perry, Taylor—11.

Said Resolution was not indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Baldwin moved that said resolution should be read a second and third time.

The Chair decided this motion out of order.

Mr. Baldwin appealed from the decision of the Chair. Upon this the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Forward and Baldwin, and were:

Yeas—Messrs. Austin, Avery, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Buddington, Crawford, Johnson, Maxwell, Moseley, Perry, Smith, Taylor—12.

Nays—Messrs. Baldwin, Crawford, Finley, Ghent, McMillan, Stewart—6.

The decision of the Chair was sustained.

Mr. Baldwin moved to strike out the words "twenty third instant" in said Resolution, and insert "23d January next" in lieu thereof.

On this question the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Forward and Baldwin, and were;

Yeas—Messrs. Baldwin, Buddington, Crawford, Ghent, Smith, Stewart—6

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Austin, Avery, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Finley, Forward, Johnson, Maxwell, McMillan, Moseley, Perry, Taylor—13.

Said motion was lost.

Mr. Baldwin moved to lay said Resolution on the table.

On this question the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Forward and Baldwin, and were;

Yeas—Messrs. Austin, Avery, Baldwin, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, Ghent, McMillan, Smith, Stewart—10.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Forward, Johnson, Maxwell, Moseley, Perry, Taylor—9.

Said Resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Avery, from the Committee on Schools and Colleges, made the following report:

The Committee on Schools and Colleges, to whom was referred the bill to be entitled, An act altering the mode and manner of redemption of lands purchased by the State for taxes, ask leave to report:

The Committee recommend the passage of the bill with the following amendment:

Strike out the word "six" in the seventh line, and insert the word "ten."

They also recommend the adoption of the following as an additional section.

O. M. AVERY,

*Chairman Committee on Schools and Colleges.*

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

Mr. Smith, from the Committee on Propositions and Grievances, made the following report:

The Committee on Propositions and Grievances, to whom was referred a bill for the benefit of James Ponder, beg leave to report:

That they have had the same under consideration. Your Committee, on examination, find that the said Ponder is a resident of Thomas County, Ga., resides near the line of Florida, and that the said Ponder owns a plantation in this State, though he resides just above the line of this State, where he owns a Tannery. It appears to your Committee that the said Ponder only wishes to avail himself of the privilege of selling his shoes and leather in this State as though he was a citizen. Therefore your Committee do not see why he should not be allowed this privilege, as it is highly necessary that all Southern Manufactories should be encouraged.

D. J. SMITH, *Chairman.*

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

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

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following bills:

A bill to be entitled, An act to authorize Henry Hewitt to establish a Ferry across the Choctawhatchee River at a place called Hewitt's Bluff or Bear Head Bluff;

Also, An act to authorize James J. Meeks to establish a Ferry across the Withlacoochie River;

Also, a bill to be entitled, An act to authorize Jason Gregory to establish a Ferry across the Apalachicola River at Ochesee in Calhoun County;

Also, An act to authorize Henry Slayback to establish a Ferry across Escambia Bay;

And find, upon inspection of them, that they propose to grant *exclusive privileges* to the respective applicants; and it being conceded that no notice has been given of application for such privileges, your Committee are therefore of the opinion that the Legislature cannot, without such notice, grant the provisions of said bills in that respect, and therefore recommend the striking out the section in each bill in which this privilege is proposed to be enacted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. A. FORWARD, *Chairman.*

Which was received, said amendments concurred in, and said bills placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Maxwell made the following report from the Committee on the Judiciary;

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill to be entitled, An act for the relief of the heirs of Jacob Bryan, have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to

**REPORT:**

That they consider it perfectly within the power of the State to dispose of the Negroes mentioned in the petition read before the Senate, as it may deem fit. The policy of the State seems to be to relieve itself from embarrassment and trouble by reason of the manumission of slaves. The committee cannot for a moment think that any mercenary motives prompted the restrictions against manumission. They therefore see no impropriety or impolicy, when the State has come into possession of slaves on account of a failure to comply with the law on this subject, in turning over these slaves to those who would have been entitled to them as heirs, especially in as they have reason to believe is the case in this instance, these heirs are worthy persons and good citizens. I am instructed to recommend the passage of the bill.

A. E. MAXWELL, *Chairman.*

Which was received, and said bill 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 correctedly engrossed;

A bill to be entitled, An act for the relief of Nathaniel P. Marion

A bill to be entitled, An act in relation to the boundary line between the States of Georgia and Florida;

Also, amendment to House bill to be entitled, An act for the relief of Gadsden County.

Which is respectfully submitted.

JNO. P. BALDWIN, *Chairman.*

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

Mr. Perry, 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 amendatory of the several acts now in force, relating to the mode of appointment and duty of Auctioneers, have had the same under consideration and have instructed me to report said bill back to the Senate without amendment, and recommend the passage thereof.

M. S. PERRY,

*Chairman Committee on Taxation and Revenue*

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

The following message was received from the House of Representatives:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, December 19, 1850.

*Honorable President of the Senate:*

Sir: The House have passed a bill to be entitled, An act to provide for the final removal of the Indians, now remaining in Florida, beyond the limits of the State, in which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Respectfully,

H. ARCHER,

*Speaker House of Representatives.*

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

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY.

House bill to be entitled, An act to provide for the final removal of the Indians now remaining in Florida, beyond the limits of the State;

Was read the first time, rule waived, read the second time by its title, referred to the Committee on the Militia, and 75 copies ordered to be printed.

Engrossed bill to be entitled, An act for the relief of Nathaniel P. Marion;

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

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

Engrossed bill to be entitled, An act in relation to the boundary line between the States of Georgia and Florida;

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Austin, Avery, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, Forward, Johnson, Maxwell, McMillan, Moseley, Perry, Smith, Stewart, Taylor—17.

Nays—None.

So 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 authorize James J. Meeks to establish a ferry across the Withlacoochee river:

Was read the second time.

Mr. Forward moved to strike out the fourth section ;

Which was carried.

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. Avstin, Avery, Brown of Hillsborough, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, Forward, Johnson, Maxwell, McMillan, Perry, Smith, Stewart—14.

Nays—Messrs. Brown of Columbia, Moseley, Taylor—3.

Said bill passed as amended. Title as stated.

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

House bill to be entitled, An act to authorize Henry Hewitt to establish a Ferry across the Choctawhatchy River at Hewitt's Bluff ;

Was read the second time.

Mr. Forward moved to strike out the fourth section ;

Which was carried.

On motion the rule was waived, and said bill read the third time, on the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were ;

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Austin, Avery, Brown of Hillsborough, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, Forward, Johnson, Maxwell, McMillan, Perry, Smith, Stewart—14.

Nays—Messrs. Brown of Columbia, Moseley, Taylor—3.

Said bill passed as amended. Title as stated.

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

House bill to be entitled, An act to authorize Jason Gregory to establish a Ferry across the Apalachicola River at Ochesee in Calhoun County ;

Was read the second time ;

Mr. Forward moved to strike out the fourth section ;

Which was carried ;

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. Austin, Avery, Brown of Hillsborough, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, Forward, Johnson, Maxwell, McMillan, Smith, Stewart—13.

Nays—Messrs. Brown of Columbia, Moseley—2.

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 benefit of James Ponder ;  
Was read the second time ;

On motion, the rule was waived, and said bill read the third time on the question of its passage, the yeas and nays were :

Yeas—Messrs. Austin, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, Forward, Johnson, Maxwell, McMillan, Smith—11.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Avery, Moseley, Stewart, Taylor

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 James W. Piles;

Was read the second time;

On motion, said bill was referred to the Committee on Schools and Colleges.

House bill to be entitled, An act for the relief of the heirs of Jacob Bryant;

Was read the second time;

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. Austin, Avery, Baldwin, Brown of Columbia, Brown of Hillsborough, Buddington, Crawford, Finley, Fokward, Johnson, Maxwell, McMillan, Moseley, Smith, Stewart, Taylor—17.

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 amendatory of the several acts now in force relating to the mode of appointment and duty of Auctioneers;

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

Bill to be entitled, An act in relation to Naturalized Citizens residing in this State;

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

House bill to be entitled, An act to incorporate the Leon and Gadsden Plank Road Company;

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

Bill to be entitled, An act to amend the first clause of the tenth article of the Constitution of the State, so as to authorize the appropriation of the proceeds of all lands heretofore granted or which may

be hereafter granted, by the United States to this State for a Seminary or Seminaries of learning to the use of Common Schools;

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

House bill to be entitled, An act for the relief of Kinchen P. Ellis;

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Brown of Columbia, Finley, Johnson, McMillan—5.

Nays—Messrs. Austin, Avery, Baldwin, Buddington, Crawford, Moseley, Smith, Stewart, Taylor—9.

Said bill was lost.

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

Bill to be entitled, An act to enlarge the powers of County Commissioners;

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

House bill to be entitled, An act for the relief of William D. Branch and John H. Madison;

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

House bill to be entitled, An act to amend an act unamendatory of the several acts now in force in relation to the Assessment and Collection of the Revenue, approved January 13th, 1849;

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

Resolution relative to the adjournment of the General Assembly *sine die*;

It was moved to lay said resolution on the table; on this question the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Forward and Smith, and were:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Austin, Avery, Baldwin, Buddington, Crawford, Maxwell, McMillan, Smith—9.

Nays—Messrs. Brown of Columbia, Pinley, Forward, Johnson, Moseley, Stewart—6.

Said resolution was laid on the table.

Bill to be entitled, An act altering the mode and manner of Redemption of Lands purchased by the State for redemption of Taxes;

Was read the second time, and the amendment recommended by the Committee adopted, and said bill ordered to be engrossed for a third reading to-morrow.

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

FRIDAY, December 20, 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. Maxwell moved that the bill to incorporate the Florida and Georgia Plank Road Company be placed first among the orders of the day for to-day;

Which was carried.

Mr. Smith, pursuant to previous notice, introduced a bill to be entitled, An act to amend an act approved January 13th, 1849, which provides for the election of Judges of Probate by the people;