

—that so much of said Message as refers to Internal Improvements be referred to the standing Committee on Internal Improvement—that so much of said Message as refers to Taxation be referred to the standing Committee on Taxation and Revenue—that so much of said Message as refers to Constitutional Amendments be referred to the standing Committees on Revision of the Constitution—that so much of said Message as refers to Federal Relations be referred to the standing Committee on Federal Relations.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Keitt offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That clocks be furnished for the use of the two Houses, and the ringing of the bell be dispensed with ;

Which was read the first time, the rule waved, read the second and third times, and upon the question of its passage, the vote was :

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Bird, Brinson, Cone, Filor, Keitt and Lamar—7.

Nays—Messrs. Brooks, Eppes, Fisher, Hawes, McElvy, McBride and Welch—7.

So said resolution was lost.

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

THURSDAY, November 27th, 1856.

The Senate met, pursuant to adjournment.

A quorum present.

Rev. Mr. Turner officiated as Chaplain.

The Journal of yesterday's proceedings was read and amended.

Mr. President announced the following standing Committees :

*On Judiciary.*

Messrs. EPPES,  
McELVY,  
LAMAR,  
HAWES,  
MYRICK.

*On Agriculture.*

Messrs. BRINSON,  
CONE,  
McELVY,  
LAMAR,  
DUNCAN.

*On State of Commonwealth,*

Messrs. WELCH,  
BIRD,  
CONE,  
McBRIDE,  
COOK.

*On Claims and Accounts.*

Messrs. BROOKS,  
HAWES,  
CONE,  
WELCH,  
FISHER.

*On Federal Relations.*

Messrs. KEITT  
BRINSON,  
EUBANKS,  
WELCH,  
FISHER,

*On Corporations.*

Messrs. TRACY,  
EUBANKS,  
COOK,  
McELVY,  
MYRICK,

*On Militia.*

Messrs. HOPKINS,  
EPPES,  
McELVY,  
LAMAR,  
DUCAN.

*On Internal Improvements.*

Messrs. LAMAR,  
BIRD,  
CONE,  
BROOKS,  
FISHER.

*On Elections.*

Messrs. HAWES,  
BRINSON,  
WELCH,  
FILOR,  
McBRIDE.

*On Schools and Colleges.*

Messrs. MYRICK,  
KEITT,  
BRINSON,  
FILOR,  
HOPKINS.

*On Propositions and Grievances.*

Messrs. CONE,  
COOK,  
McBRIDE,  
LAMAR,  
BIRD.

*On Enrolled Bills.*

Messrs. HOPKINS,  
BROOKS,  
FISHER,  
KEITT,  
CONE.

*On Engrossed Bills.*

Messrs. LAMAR,  
EPPES,  
HOPKINS,  
DUNCAN,  
BRINSON.

*On Revision of Constitution.*

Messrs. EPPES,  
FILOR,  
COOK,  
TRACY,  
BROOKS.

*On Executive Department.*

Messrs. KEITT,  
HOPKINS,  
LAMAR,  
McELVY,  
WELCH.

*On Finance and Public Accounts.*

Messrs. FILOR,  
HAWES,  
MYRICK,  
LAMAR,  
EPPES.

Mr. Hawes gave notice that he would on some future day ask

leave to introduce a bill to be entitled an Act for the relief of William Hickman of Putnam county.

Mr. Brooks gave notice that he would on to-morrow introduce a bill to be entitled an Act to change the name of certain persons therein named.

Mr. Filor moved that the office of Door-keeper and Messenger be separated ;

Which was agreed to.

On motion the Senate proceeded to the election of Messenger.

Mr. Eppes nominated John White.

The vote was as follows :

For White—Mr. President, Messrs. Brooks, Bird, Brinson, Cone, Eppes, Filor, Hawes, Keitt and Lamar—10.

Blank—Messrs. Fisher and McBride—2.

On motion, Mr. Eppes administered the oath of office to Mr. White, the Messenger elect.

Mr. Lamar gave notice that he would on some future day ask leave to introduce a bill to be entitled an Act to amend the second section of "An Act" to establish the ad valorem system of taxation.

Mr. Filor gave notice that he would on some future day introduce a bill relative to the guardianship of free negroes. Also,

A bill in relation to owners of slaves permitting said slaves hiring their own time.

Mr. Eppes moved that a Committee of three be appointed to draft rules for the government of the Senate.

Messrs. Eppes, Fisher and Lamar were appointed said Committee.

Mr. Fisher presented the petition of Isaiah Cobb, Jr. ;

Which was read, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Fisher presented the petition of A. J. Deens ;

Which was read, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Pursuant to previous notice, Mr. Filor introduced a bill in relation to Pilotage at the Port of Key West, in the county of Monroe ;

Which was read and ordered for to-morrow.

Mr. Hawes, pursuant to previous notice, introduced a bill for the appointment of Prosecuting Attorneys, in certain cases, and for other purposes ;

Which was read and placed among the orders of the day for to-morrow.

The rule being waved, Mr. Eppes introduced, without previous notice, the following bills, viz :

A bill to be entitled an Act to punish abduction and kidnaping of free persons ;

A bill to be entitled an Act defining false swearing and punishing the same ;

Which were read and placed among the orders of the day for to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Eppes the Senate took a recess until half past 11 o'clock, A. M.

#### HALF-PAST 11 O'CLOCK, A. M.

The Senate resumed its Session.

A quorum present.

Mr. Dell gave notice that he would on some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill, to pay the Judge of Probate of Alachua County a Salary, and change the fees.

On motion of Mr. Lamar,

Resolved, That three hundred copies of the documents accompanying the Governor's Message be published with the same ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Eppes moved that the Sergeant-at-Arms be instructed to procure from the Secretary of State, for the use of the members of the Senate, a copy of the constitution, and copies of the Acts and Journals of the last Session of the General Assembly ;

Which was agreed to.

A Committee from the House informed the Senate, that the House was now ready to canvass the votes for Governor, and

On motion, the Senate adjourned to the Representative Hall, and after some time spent in canvassing the votes, the Senate returned to their Chamber, and

On motion of Mr. Hawes, adjourned until to-morrow 11 o'clock, A. M.

#### FRIDAY, November 28th, 1856.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment-

A quorum present.

Rev. Mr. Turner officiated as Chaplain.

The journal of yesterday's proceedings was read and confirmed.

Mr. Tracy, Senator from the 15th District appeared and took his seat.

On motion, the rules were waved, and Mr. Brooks was allowed to introduce, without previous notice, the following bill, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act granting to Trustees for the benefit of the Alabama and Florida Rail-Road Company, lands granted to the State of Florida, by the Congress of the United States, for the purpose of aiding in the construction of a Railroad from Pensacola to the State line of Alabama, in the direction of Montgomery ;