

ty, three miles west of the boundary line between the Counties of Nassau and Duval, as established by the Act of the last Session of the Legislature, at which the Duval County candidates were voted for, and which votes if added to those of Duval would defeat the said memorialist.

But in the absence of any information or evidence, your Committee are not prepared to violate the established usage and law of the State, which requires that all elections shall be held, and all votes cast within the limits of the Election District, and that none other shall be counted.

They therefore recommend that John Broward, upon taking the oath of office be admitted a member of this body, as the Senator from the 16th Senatorial District.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

PHILLIP DELL,

Chairman of the Committee on Elections.

Which Report, on motion of Mr. Hawes, was adopted.

The Senator from Duval, Col. John Broward, appeared and was duly sworn by T. J. Eppes, N. P.

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

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
November 26, 1858. }

Hon. President of the Senate :

SIR :—Messrs. Vogt, Clyatt and Bird, have been appointed a Committee on the part of the House, to act with a similar Committee on the part of the Senate, for the purpose of drafting Joint-Rules for the government of the two Houses of the General-Assembly, at the present session.

Respectfully,

R. B. HILTON, Clerk.

On motion of Mr. Call, a Committee of three was appointed to act for the above purpose, consisting of Messrs. Dell, Call and Eppes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

A bill to be entitled An Act to change the name of Abraham Dupont Zylstra ;

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

On motion, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow, 11 o'clock, A. M.

SATURDAY, November 27th, 1858.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

A quorum present.

The Rev. Dr. Dubose officiated as Chaplain.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Notice was given of intention to introduce the following bills at some future day, viz :

By Mr. McCall :

An Act to create and organize the counties of Suwanee and New River.

By Mr. Jones :

A bill to be entitled an Act to fix definitely Constable sale days in this State.

By Mr. Broward :

A bill to divide the county of Duval ;

A bill to protect the interests of persons engaged in the log and lumber business in the State of Florida ; and

A bill to exempt slaves from being sold under execution for debts contracted from and after the passage of the Act.

By Mr. Nicholson :

A bill to be entitled an Act in addition to, and amendatory of the several Acts concerning pleading and practice in civil and criminal cases.

A bill to be entitled an Act to authorize Albert Hire, a minor, to contract and be contracted with, and

An Act for the relief of William McRae.

By Mr. Call :

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

An Act to be entitled an Act concerning evidence.

By Mr. McElvy :

A bill in relation to the agencies of foreign Banks in this State.

On motion of Mr. Hawes, it was

Ordered, That each of the newspapers published in Tallahassee be furnished each member of the Senate during the session.

On motion of Mr. Baker, a joint-select committee of three was appointed consisting of Messrs. Baker, Dell and McQueen, to act with a similar committee on the part of the House, to inquire into and report as to the proper control and present use of all the rooms of the Capitol, except the chambers of the Senate and House of Representatives ; and, in the absence of any law, to recommend a proper disposition of the same :

Which was adopted.

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

On motion of Mr. Eppes, it was

Ordered, That the Journal of Wednesday be so corrected, as to change the name of the standing committee on Finance and Public Accounts, to that of Taxation and Revenue, as provided for by the Rules of the Senate.

Mr. McQueen offered the following resolution, which was read the first, second and third time, and adopted :

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Florida, in General Assembly convened, That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and our Representative requested to use their best efforts to procure a mail route from Clay landing, on the Suwanee River, by way of the Natural Bridge, on the Estabatchie, to Perryville, in the County of Taylor.

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

The Committee appointed to contract for the printing

REPORT :

That they have contracted with Benj. F. Allen, for the printing of the Senate on the following terms :

For furnishing 700 Copies of the Journals at Two Dollars per page, counting one copy for the first 500 Copies, and three quarters of a cent per hundred words, counting 80 Copies, and the same for all other miscellaneous printing, and that a proportionate compensation be allowed for the additional 200 Copies of the Journals.

W. J. J. DUNCAN, Chairman.

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Dell, the reading of the documents relative to the Senatorial Election of the 16th District was dispensed with, and the same laid upon the table.

The Committee appointed to act with a similar Committee on the part of the House, to draft Joint Rules for the government of the two Houses, beg leave to report the following rules :

JOINT RULES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

RULE 1. Messages from either House to the other shall be sent by such persons as a sense of propriety in each House may determine.

2. After a bill shall have passed both Houses, it shall be duly enrolled by the Clerk of the House of Representatives, or by the Secretary of the Senate, as the bill may have originated in one or the other House.

3. When bills shall be enrolled, they shall be examined by a Joint Committee of at least two from the Senate, and two from the

House of Representatives, appointed as a Standing Committee for that purpose, who shall forthwith make a report.

4. When a bill or resolution, which shall have passed in one House, is rejected in the other, notice thereof shall be given to the House in which the same may have passed.

5. When a bill or resolution which has been passed in one House shall be rejected in the other, it shall not be brought in during the same session, without notice of ten days, and leave of two-thirds of that House in which it shall be moved.

6. Each House shall transmit to the other all papers on which any bill or resolution shall be founded.

7. No Bill shall be introduced in either House on either of the last three days of the Session, without the unanimous consent of both Houses, except the General Appropriation Bill.

8. After each House shall have adhered to their disagreement, a bill or resolution shall be lost.

9. When elections are required to be made by joint vote of the two Houses, the time of electing shall be previously agreed upon, and each House shall communicate the nominations made therein to the other, prior to the voting.

10. Each House shall communicate to the other the nominations and the result of each voting.

11. In every Joint Committee, the member first named on the part of the House first proposing such Committee, shall convene the same.

12. During the election of officers there shall be no motions entertained except to adjourn, to proceed to vote, to nominate and to withdraw a candidate—which motions shall have precedence in the order they stand.

13. The doings throughout shall proceed without debate.

14. Communications shall be made on paper, and signed by the Secretary of each House, and transmitted by the Messenger, or Door-Keeper.

15. In the election for the Senate of the United States, both Senators shall be voted for at the same time, until both or one of them shall be chosen.

16. In every case of disagreement between the Senate and House of Representatives, either House may suggest conference, and appoint a Committee for that purpose, and the other House shall also appoint a Committee to confer at a convenient hour, to be designated by the Chairman; said Committee shall meet and confer freely on the subject of disagreement.

17. Whenever a public bill or resolution is ordered to be printed for the use of either House, a number shall be ordered, sufficient for the use of both Houses; and it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Senate, or Clerk of the House, as the case may be, to inform the

other House of such order, and to transmit to that House the requisite number of printed copies.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

PHILIP DELL,
Chairman Senate Committee.
D. A. VOGT,
Chairman House Committee.

On motion of Mr. Call, the Joint Rules as reported by the committee were adopted.

Pursuant to previous notice, Mr. Dell introduced

A bill to be entitled an Act to authorize Daniel B. Coker to build a toll bridge across the Santa Fee River ;

Which was read the first time and placed among the orders of the day for Monday.

The following bills were introduced according to previous notice, read the first time and placed among the orders of the day for Monday.

By Mr. Eppes :

A bill to be entitled an Act to amend section 1, clause 2, of the attachment laws of the State, approved Feb. 15, 1834.

By Mr. Call :

An Act to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to regulate Pilotage at the Port of Fernandina in the county of Nassau, and Port of Cedar Key, county of Levy.

A bill to be entitled an Act to amend an Act approved Dec. 22d, 1854, entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide for the payment of Jurors and State Witnesses, approved Jan. 8th, 1848 ;

Was introduced according to previous notice, by Mr. Dell, read the first time, rules waived, read a second time and referred to the committee on Taxation and Revenue.

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize actions at law to be instituted upon all notes and contracts executed by married women ;

Was introduced according to previous notice, by Mr. Dell.

On motion of Mr. McElvy, it was read the first time, rules waived, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Baker, the Judiciary Committee was appointed a special joint-committee on the part of the Senate, to confer with a similar committee of the House, to enquire and investigate as to the propriety, and if proper, to report some plan for publishing all of the statutes of Great Britain of force in this State, in some other mode not designated in the act of December 27, A. D., 1845, as the same since the provisions of said act, are deemed impracticable.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

A bill to be entitled An Act to change the name of Abraham Dupont Zylstra ;

Was read a third time and put upon its passage, upon which the vote was :

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Baker, Broward, Call, Dawkins, Duncan, Eppes, Hawes, Jones, McElvy, McQueen, Nicholson, Walker and Welch—14.

Nays—None.

So said bill passed—title as stated.

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

On motion, the Senate adjourned until Monday morning 11 o'clock.

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MONDAY, November 29th, 1858.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

A quorum present.

The Rev. Dr. Dubose officiated as Chaplain.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Notice was given of intention to introduce at some future day, the following bills :

By Mr. Eppes :

A bill to be entitled An Act to repeal an Act entitled an Act relative to depositions taken under commission, approved January 11, 1855, and for other purposes :

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the Judges of the Circuit Courts of the State to hold extra terms whenever in their opinion, the public interests require the same, and for other purposes ;

A bill for the relief of Julius L. Wyman.

By Mr. Nicholson :

A bill to be entitled An Act amending the charter of the City of Pensacola, for the purpose of extending the powers of the City to aid in the construction of the Alabama and Florida Railroad in Florida ;

A bill to be entitled An Act providing for the incorporation of the Mexican Gulf Steamship and Inland Trading Company.

The following bills were introduced according to previous notice, and, on motion, placed among the orders of the day :

By Mr. Call :

An Act to be entitled an Act concerning evidence.

By Mr. Nicholson :