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Came up on its second reading, and on motion, ordered to be engrossed as amended, and placed among the orders for a third reading on to-morrow.

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend an Act, approved December 22, 1854, entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide for the payment of Jurors and State Witnesses, approved January, 8, 1848 ;

Came up on its second reading, to which Mr. Dawkins offered the following amendment :

Which was lost.

Mr. Dawkins moved to amend the bill by striking out the words, in section 1, ten cents for every mile necessary travel going to, and coming from said court, to be estimated from the residence of said Juror to the place of holding the Court, and insert the words "two dollars per day, for every day that he shall attend said Court ; also

The words "ten cents for each mile of necessary travel going to, and from said Court," in section two, and insert in lieu thereof, the words : "two dollars per day for every day that he shall attend said Court, until said witness is discharged."

Mr. Call offered the following amendment :

Be it further enacted, That every Juror and State Witness who shall fail to attend any Court to which he is summoned, shall be fined by the Judge presiding over said Court, in a sum not less than fifty dollars, unless he shall make it satisfactorily to appear to the said Judge, that he was prevented from attending said Court, by actual physical inability, or was at the time in actual attendance on some sick person, and that such attendance was necessary in common humanity, and could not have been dispensed with.

And upon motion of Mr. Baker the yeas and nays were called ;

The vote was as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Broward, Call, Dawkins, Dell, Duncan, Eubanks, Hawes, Jones, Keitt, Lamar, McElvy, McQueen, Walker and Welch.—14.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Baker, Eppes, Fisher and Nicholson.—5.

So said amendment was adopted, and the bill ordered to be Engrossed for a third reading on to-morrow.

House bill to be entitled An Act for the relief of Wm. Lowe, Tax Assessor and Collector of Monroe County ;

Was read the first time, and ordered to be placed among the orders of the day for to-morrow.

House bill to be entitled An Act to change the name of Antonia Wallace to Antonia Crespo ;

Was read the first time, and ordered to be placed among the orders of the day for to-morrow :

House bill to be entitled An Act to authorize Adin Eleazer Waterman, a minor, to contract and be contracted with.

Came up on its first reading, and was ordered to be placed among the orders of the day for to-morrow.

House bill to be entitled An Act to legitimize Wm. Robert ;

Came up on its first reading, and was ordered to be placed among the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Mr. Lamar moved to waive the rules for the purpose of introducing a resolution, viz :

WHEREAS, The Senate did admit John Broward to his seat in this body in the absence of any other claimant to a seat from the 16th District ; And Whereas, A. S. Baldwin now claims said seat ; therefore be it

Resolved, That the whole of the evidence in reference to the said contested seat, together with all papers, memorials and documents in relation thereto, be referred to the Committee on Elections, and that they do proceed to investigate the said case, without reference to the question whether the said A. S. Baldwin or the said John Broward is contestant, and without prejudice to the said Baldwin on account of the former action of the Senate in admitting said Broward to his seat, and report said evidence with their opinion thereon to the Senate.

Which resolution was adopted.

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

FRIDAY, December 3d, 1858.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

A quorum present.

The Rev. Dr. Dubose officiated as chaplain.

The Journal of yesterday was read, amended and approved.

Mr. Dawkins stated that his vote was recorded wrong on the a-

ment offered by Mr. Call, to a bill to be entitled an Act to amend an Act, approved Dec. 22, 1854, entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide for the payment of Jurors and State Witnesses, approved January 8, 1848; and

On motion, the Journal was ordered to be corrected so as to place his name among the nays on the vote on said amendment.

Mr. Call moved that when the Senate adjourn, it do adjourn until 11 o'clock, Monday morning;

Which motion was agreed to.

Mr. Hawes moved that the original resolution, in relation to the establishment of a branch of the Registers office at Palatka be referred, along with the substitute, to the committee on the Judiciary;

Which was adopted.

On motion, the Senator from Franklin was excused from attendance upon the Senate for one week.

On motion, the Senator from Duval was excused from attendance on the Senate until Monday.

A bill to be entitled an Act concerning foreign agencies;

Was read the first time, rule waived, read a second time; and

On motion, referred to a special committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Call, Eppes and Lamar.

Pursuant to previous notice, the following bills and resolution were introduced and placed among the orders of the day:

By Mr. Dawkins:

A bill to be entitled an Act defining the jurisdiction of Circuit Courts in certain cases.

By Mr. Call:

A bill to be entitled an Act prescribing the manner of making returns of elections, for election of President and Vice President of the United States.

By Mr. McElvy:

Resolution for the relief of John H. Keadle.

By Mr. McQueen:

A bill to be entitled An Act more definitely defining the boundary line between the Counties of Lafayette and Taylor; and

A bill to be entitled An Act to make the Sheriffs of the Counties of Lafayette and Taylor *ex officio* Tax Assessors and Collectors in their respective Counties.

Mr. Lamar moved that a Committee of three be appointed to request the House of Representatives to transmit to the Senate, for the use of the Senate Committee on Elections, all the papers in its possession relating to the Duval contested election;

Which was carried, and Messrs. Lamar, McQueen and Eppes appointed such Committee.

Mr. Baker, according to previous notice, introduced the following bill:

Which was read the first time, rules waived, read a second time by its title, and eighty copies of the same ordered to be printed, viz:

A bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the payment of the Volunteer Company of Capt. Hansford D. Dyches, and other Companies therein named.

On motion of Mr. Lamar, the rules were waived, and he was allowed to introduce

A Resolution for the relief of Benj. F. Allen.

On motion, the rules were waived, the said resolution read a first, second and third time, and put upon its passage, upon which the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Baker, Call, Dawkins, Dell, Duncan, Eppes, Eubanks, Fisher, Hawes, Jones, Lamar, McElvy, McQueen, Nicholson, Walker and Welch.—17.

Nays—None.

So said resolution was adopted.

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

Mr. Broward moved that the Secretary of the Senate be instructed to communicate to the House the amendment which was made in the Senate to the bill entitled "An Act for the relief of Putnam County;

Which motion was adopted.

The following report was received from the Committee on Engrossed bills:

Mr. President:

Sir—The Committee on Engrossed bills instruct the undersigned to report the following bills as correctly engrossed:

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

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the several Judges of the Circuit Courts of this State to hold extra terms, whenever in their opinion the public may interests require the same.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMPSON B. LAMAR,
Chairman of Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Which was received, and the accompanying bills placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Welch, from the Committee on the State of the Commonwealth, made the following report:

The Committee on the State of the Commonwealth, to whom was referred a Joint Resolution in relation to fractional sections on our State line, have duly considered the same, and instructed the

undersigned to report the same back to the Senate, without amendment, and recommend its passage.

Respectfully submitted,
ISAAC WELCH,
 Chairman Committee on State of Commonwealth.

Which was received, and the accompanying bill placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Eppes, from the Judiciary Committee, made the following report:

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled "An Act concerning evidence,"

REPORT:

That they have examined said bill, and recommend its passage, as the object of the bill is only to facilitate the introduction of evidence, when necessary, of the original Spanish Archives of Florida; a law which your Committee are informed is much needed in that portion of the State to which those Archives more particularly refer. They recommend, however, a change in the title of the bill, and that it be entitled "An Act making copies of the Spanish Archives evidence in certain cases."

T. J. EPPES,
 Chairman Judiciary Committee.

Which was received, and the accompanying bill placed among the orders of the day.

The Committee appointed to request the House of Representatives to transmit to the Senate, for the use of the Senate Committee on Elections, all the papers in its possession relating to the Duval contested election, returned and reported that they had performed that duty, and were discharged.

Mr. Eppes moved that the rule be waived so as to allow him to make a motion;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Eppes moved that the Journal of yesterday be so recorded, as to read "That a bill to be entitled an Act to authorize the several Judges of the Circuit Courts of this State to hold extra terms, whenever in their opinion the public interests require the same, and for other purposes; came up on its second reading; and On motion, the amendments recommended by the Judiciary committee were adopted; and the bill as amended, ordered to be engrossed for a third reading on Monday."

The Committee on Corporations made the following

REPORT:

The committee on corporations, to whom was referred 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 & Florida Railroad in Florida," together with the amendment to said bill, have instructed the undersigned to report as follows:

1. It satisfactorily appears to your committee that notice of said application for said amendment has been duly advertised as required by law.

2. That said bill is sustained by a petition of a majority of the property-holders and citizens of the said City of Pensacola, and the necessity of submitting the same to the people, is thereby obviated.

3. That it is important to the interests of said City, and to the speedy completion of said Road that the corporate authorities of the City of Pensacola should have power to act in the premises without delay. Your committee therefore unanimously recommend that said bill do pass without the amendment requiring a previous vote of the people, &c.

J. McROBERTS BAKER,
 Chm'n Com. on Corporations.

Which was received, and the accompanying bill placed among the orders of the day.

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

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
 December 3, 1858. }

HON. JOHN FINLAYSON,
 President of the Senate:

SIR: The House of Representative have passed the following bills, viz:

A bill to be entitled an Act to Incorporate the Nuevitas, Nassau and Florida Navigation Company; and

A bill to be entitled an Act for the relief of John H. Patterson, late Sheriff of Madison County.

Very Respectfully,

R. B. HILTON,
 Clerk House Representatives.

On motion, the accompanying bills were placed among the orders of the day.

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

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
December 3, 1858. }

HON. JOHN FINLAYSON,
President of the Senate :

SIR : The House of Representatives have this day passed the enclosed Resolution.

Very Respectfully,

R. B. HILTON,
Clerk House Representatives.

Ordered that the accompanying resolution be placed among the orders of the day.

Also the following :

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
December 3, 1858, }

HON. JOHN FINLAYSON,
President of the Senate :

SIR : I have been ordered by the House of Representatives to communicate to the Senate the accompanying documents relating to the Duval County contested election.

Very Respectfully,

R. B. HILTON,
Clerk House Representatives.

Mr. Hawes presented a presentment of the Grand Jury of Putnam county ;

Which, on motion, was referred to the committee on judiciary.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

House bill to be entitled An Act to authorize Adin Eleazer Waterman, a minor, to contract and be contracted with ;

Came up on its second reading ;

On motion of Mr. Keitt, the rule was waived, said bill read a third time and put upon its passage,

Upon which the vote was :

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Baker, Dawkins, Dell, Duncan, Eppes, Eubanks, Fisher, Hawes, Jones, Keitt, Lamar, McQueen, Nicholson and Welch—15.

Nay—Mr. Call—1.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

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

A bill to be entitled An Act concerning evidence ;

The amendment recommended by the Judiciary Committee to their bill was accepted.

On motion, the rules were waived, the said bill read a third time and put upon its passage,

Upon which the vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Call, Dell, Duncan, Eppes, Fisher, Hawes, Jones, Keitt, McElvy, Nicholson, Walker and Welch—12.

Nay—Mr. Lamar—1.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

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

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 & Florida Railroad, in Florida ;

Came up on its third reading.

Mr. Call offered the following amendment :

Be it further enacted, That before any such subscription or endorsement shall be made, an election shall be held, under due form of law, to determine whether such subscription or endorsement shall be made, and the same shall not be made unless a majority of the legal voters determine to make the same.

Upon the question of the adoption of the amendment,

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Call, Dell, Lamar, McElvy, McQueen and Walker—6.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Baker, Dawkins, Duncan, Eppes, Eubanks, Fisher, Hawes, Keitt, Nicholson—10.

So the amendment was lost.

The question of the adoption of the bill without amendment then came up, upon which the vote was :

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Baker, Dawkins, Dell, Duncan, Eppes, Eubanks, Fisher, Hawes, Jones, Keitt, Nicholson and Welch—13.

Nays—Messrs. Call, Lamar, McElvy, McQueen and Walker—5.

So the bill passed—titled as stated.

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

House bill to be entitled An Act to repeal an Act entitled an Act to amend the road law, applicable to the county of Duval, approved December 15, 1856 ;

Came up on its third reading and was put upon its passage, upon which the vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Call, Dawkins, Dell, Duncan, Eubanks, Fisher, Hawes, Jones, Keitt, Lamar, Nicholson and Welch—13.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

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

Resolution for the relief of John W. Johnson and Wm. W. Sloane ;

Was read the second time, rules waived, read a third time by its title, and put upon its passage;

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Call, Dawkins, Duncan, Eubanks, Fisher, Hawes, Jones, Lamar, McElvy, McQueen, Nicholson and Welch—13.
Nays—Mr. Dell—1.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

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

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

Came up on its third reading, and was put upon its passage;

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Broward, Call, Dell, Duncan, Eubanks, Hawes, McQueen and Welch—9.

Nays—Messrs. Fisher, Lamar and Nicholson—3.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

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

A bill to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to amend an Act to authorize the business of banking;

Came up on its second reading; and

On motion of Mr. Call, was referred to a select committee of three.

The President appointed as such committee, Messrs. Call, Lamar and Nicholson.

A bill to be entitled an Act to repeal an Act establishing election precincts in Putnam county;

Came up on its third reading, and was put upon its passage;

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Call, Dell, Duncan, Fisher, Hawes, Keitt, Lamar, McElvy, McQueen, Nicholson, Walker, and Welch—13.

Nays—none.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

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

The following bills were read a second time and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading on Monday, viz:

A bill to be entitled an Act to authorize the several Judges of the Circuit Courts of this State to hold Extra Terms, whenever in their opinion the public interest may require the same.

A joint resolution in relation to fractional Sections on the State line.

House bill to be entitled an Act to change the name of Antonia Wallace to Antonia Crespo.

House bill to be entitled an Act for the relief of Wm. Lowe, Tax Assessor and Collector of Monroe County.

The following bills were read the first time and ordered for a second reading on Monday, viz:

A bill to be entitled An Act to repeal the first section of an Act to secure the better execution of the Patrol Law.

A bill to be entitled an Act more definitely defining the boundary line between the Counties of Lafayette and Taylor.

A bill to be entitled an Act defining the Jurisdiction of Circuit Courts in certain cases.

A bill to be entitled an Act to make the Sheriffs of the Counties of Lafayette and Taylor *ex-officio* Tax Assessors and Collectors in their respective Counties.

A bill to be entitled an Act prescribing the manner of making returns of elections for Electors of President and Vice President of the United States.

Joint Resolution for the relief of John H. Keadle.

House bill to be entitled an Act to incorporate the Nuevitas, Nassau and Florida Navigation Company.

House bill to be entitled an Act for the relief of John H. Patterson, late Sheriff of Madison County.

House bill to be entitled an Act to legitimize Wm. Robert.

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

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MONDAY, December 6th, 1858.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

A quorum present.

The Rev. Dr. Dubose officiated as Chaplain.

The Journal of Friday was read, amended and approved.

It appearing from the Journals of the House of Representatives of Saturday, that the Secretary had transmitted to the House a message stating that certain bills had passed the Senate, entitled as follows:

A bill to be entitled An Act concerning evidence; and

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize Wm. McRae to trade free from Taxation in this State,

On motion of Mr. Call, the Secretary was ordered to certify to the House, that the correct titles of said bills as having passed the Senate were:

A bill to be entitled An Act making copies of the Spanish Archives evidence in certain cases; and