

to repeal certain acts in relation thereto, approved January 1st, 1853.

On motion, the Senate adjourned untill 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

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THURSDAY, December 1st, 1859.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

A quorum present.

Rev. Dr. DuBose officiated as Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Eppes, the reading of yesterday's journal was dispensed with.

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 provide for the attendance of slave witnesses in capital cases.

By Mr. Lamar:

A bill to be entitled an Act to authorize guardians, administrators and executors, to invest the moneys of wards, testators and intestates of Leon county in the Railroad bonds of said county.

By Mr. McElvy:

A bill to be entitled an Act to change the manner of swearing Petit Jurors, in this State; and

A bill to be entitled an Act to authorize William F. Green to contract and be contracted with.

By Mr. Keitt:

A bill to be entitled an Act to establish a Ferry across the Ocklawaha River.

By Mr. Dell:

A bill to be entitled an Act to authorize Spencer Price to establish a Ferry from Atseena Otie to Way Key, at the western terminus of the Florida Railroad, and thence to No. 4 on the main land.

By Mr. McCall:

A bill to be entitled an Act to correct an error in the printed bill to be entitled an Act to create the Counties of New River and Suwannee.

Mr. McElvy moved that the Messenger be instructed to furnish to the Chairman of each of the Standing Committees of the Senate, Thompson's Digest, and the pamphlet Statutes of the several Sessions of the General Assembly up to the present time.

On motion of Mr. Lamar, the motion was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Eppes, Dr. Fisher, the Senator from the 2nd District, was granted leave of absence for ten days from to-day.

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

By Mr. Lamar:

A bill to be entitled an Act for the relief of Andrew J. Moore and Wm. S. Dilworth.

By Mr. McQueen:

A bill to be entitled an Act for the relief of Noah P. Suggs, of Lafayette county; and

A bill to be entitled an Act to authorize Geo. W. Martin to establish a Ferry across the Suwannee river at Fayetteville.

By Mr. McCall:

A bill to be entitled an Act to correct an error in the printed bill entitled an Act to incorporate the city of Lake City;

A bill to be entitled an Act to change the boundary line between Columbia and Suwannee counties;

A bill to be entitled an Act to change the name of Sarah Keziah Johnson to Amelia Ann Emeline Johnson; and

A bill to be entitled an Act to authorize Wm. J. Tucker, a minor, to manage his own estate.

By Mr. McElvy:

A bill to be entitled an Act in relation to Courts of Probate in this State.

By Mr. Baker:

A bill to be entitled an Act in relation to dower;

A bill to be entitled an Act to organize the Court of Vice-Chancellor of the State of Florida; and

A bill to be entitled an Act in relation to evidence.

Mr. McElvy presented the petition of sundry citizens of Gadsden county, praying the annexation of a portion of the county of Liberty to the county of Gadsden;

Which, on motion, was referred to a special committee of three, consisting of Messrs. McElvy, Eppes and McQueen.

The following message was received from the Treasurer:

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, TREASURY OFFICE. }
TALLAHASSEE, NOV. 28, 1859. }

HON. JOHN FINLAYSON,

President of the Senate.

Sir:—Agreeable to an Act of the last Assembly requiring that two Committee Rooms be provided in the basement of the Capitol, I herewith hand the key to the Senate Committee Room.

Yours respectfully,

C. H. AUSTIN, Treasurer.

Which was read ; and
On motion, referred to a select committee consisting of Messrs. Baker, Eppes and Baldwin.

Mr. Baker moved that a Joint Committee of three be appointed from the Senate, to meet a similar Committee from the House to enquire into, and to report as to the present situation and condition of the State Library, and how far the Act as to public property, approved January 15th, 1859, has been complied with.

Upon the adoption of said notice, the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. McCall and Eppes ;

Upon which the vote was :

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Baker, Baldwin, Dawkins, Dell, Eppes, Eubanks, Fisher, Jones, Keitt, Lamar, McCall, McElvy, McQueen and Walker—15.

Nays—Messrs. Hawes and Welch—2.

So said motion was carried, and Messrs. Baker, Baldwin and Eppes were appointed on said Committee.

Mr. Eppes introduced the following Joint Resolution :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Florida in General Assembly convened, That this General Assembly do adjourn sine die on the 17th day of December, inst. ;

Which was read and passed over informally until Tuesday next.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills made the following report :

The Committee on Enrolled Bills report as correctly enrolled an Act to extend the time for collecting taxes in this State.

L. G. McELVY, Chairman.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

A bill to be entitled an Act to amend an Act concerning dower ;
Was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading on to-morrow.

A bill to be entitled an Act to change the boundary line between Columbia and Suwannee counties ;

Was read the first time, rules waived, read the second time by its title, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading on to-morrow ;

A bill to be entitled an Act to organize the Court of Vice-Chancellor, of the State of Florida ;

Was read a second time and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

A bill to be entitled an Act to authorize George W. Martin to establish a ferry across the Suwannee river, at Fayetteville ;

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

A bill to be entitled an Act for the relief of Noah P. Suggs of Lafayette county ;

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

A bill to be entitled an Act for the relief of Andrew J. Moore and William S. Dilworth ;

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

A bill to be entitled an Act to change the name of Sarah Keziah Johnson to Amelia Ann Emeline Johnson ;

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

A bill to be entitled an Act in relation to dower ;

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

A bill to be entitled an Act in relation to Courts of Probate in this State ;

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

A bill to be entitled an Act in relation to Evidence ;

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

A bill to be entitled an Act to authorize William J. Tucker, a minor, to assume the management of his own Estate, and to contract and be contracted with ;

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

A bill to be entitled an Act to correct an error in the printed Act entitled an Act to incorporate the city of Lake City ;

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

House bill to be entitled an Act to amend the laws now in force in this State, relative to ejectment suits ;

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

House bill to be entitled an Act to authorize Samuel Elliot to establish a Ferry across the Bay from Atseena Otie to a point hitherto called Way Keys, now known as the western terminus of the Florida Railroad, and designated as Cedar Keys ;

Was read the second time and passed over informally.

House bill to be entitled an Act to amend an Act entitled an Act to establish common Schools, and to repeal certain Acts in relation thereto, approved January 1st, 1855 ;

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

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