

Be it further enacted, That the State Treasurer, the Register of Public Lands, the several Tax Collectors and Sheriffs, and all other receivers of public dues are hereby required to receive the notes of all specie paying banks in the States of Florida, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Louisiana and Mississippi;

Upon which the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Call and Eppes;

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baldwin, Bowers, Call, Chain, Finlayson, Rogers, Starke and Watlington—8.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Brokaw, Dawkins, Davidson, Ingram, Jones, Magbee and McQueen—8.

So said substitute was lost.

The question then recurred as to the adoption of the amendment offered by Mr. Eppes;

Upon which the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Call and Eppes;

The vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Baldwin, Bowers, Brokaw, Chain, Dawkins, Davidson, Finlayson, Ingram, Jones, Magbee and McQueen—12.

Nays—Messrs. Call, Rogers, Simkins and Watlington—4.

So said amendment was adopted.

Mr. Call moved the following amendment:

Be it further enacted, That no bank, bank agency or banker shall pay out at its or their counter or place of business, the bills of any bank which does not pay specie for its bills (other than their own,) under a penalty of five hundred dollars, for every such offence, to be recovered by an action of debt, one-half for the use of the informer, (in which suit the informer may be a witness).

Mr. Magbee moved that the bill and amendment be laid on the table;

Upon which the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Baldwin and Call:

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Brokaw, Call, Magbee, McQueen, Simkins and Watlington—6.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Baldwin, Bowers, Chain, Dawkins, Davidson, Finlayson, Ingram, Jones and Rogers—10.

So said motion was lost.

The question then recurred upon the amendment offered by Mr. Call;

Upon which the yeas and nays were called by Messrs. Eppes and Davidson;

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baldwin, Bowers, Call, Chain, Davidson, McQueen, Rogers, Simkins and Watlington—9.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Brokaw, Dawkins, Finlayson, Ingram, Jones and Magbee—7.

So said amendment was adopted.

Mr. Call moved the following additional section:

Be it further enacted, That every bond, bill, note or other security for money, the consideration for which shall be a loan or advance, of the notes of suspended banks shall be totally void.

Mr. Finlayson moved the indefinite postponement of the bill;

Upon which the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Finlayson and Dawkins;

The vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Bowers, Brokaw, Davidson, Finlayson, Jones, Magbee and McQueen—8.

Nays—Messrs. Baldwin, Call, Chain, Dawkins, Ingram, Rogers, Simkins and Watlington—8.

So said motion was lost.

Mr. Call moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until to-morrow;

Upon which the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Call and Eppes;

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baldwin, Call, Chain, Dawkins, Davidson, Jones, McQueen, Rogers, Simkins and Watlington—10.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Bowers, Brokaw, Ingram and Magbee—5.

So said motion was carried.

On motion of Mr. Rogers the rules were waived and he allowed to make a motion;

Which was adopted.

Upon motion of Mr. Rogers, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

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TUESDAY, January 22, 1861.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

A quorum present.

On motion, the reading of the journal of yesterday was dispensed with.

Mr. Chain moved that the additional rule to be numbered — that “no motion to adjourn or to take a recess for more than two hours, shall be in order until after the orders of the day have been disposed of,” be, and the same are hereby repealed, and that the following be adopted in lieu thereof:

That hereafter the Senate shall meet at 10½ o'clock, A. M., and adjourn at 1½ o'clock, P. M., daily, until otherwise ordered by the Senate.

The motion was declared adopted. The Chair deciding that it required only a majority to adopt the motion—from which decision of the Chair Mr. Call appealed;

Upon which the yeas and nays were called by Messrs. Call and Brokaw;

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baldwin, Bowers, Brokaw, Chain, Jones, McQueen, Rogers, Simkins and Watlington—9.

Nay—Mr. Call—1.

So said decision of the Chair was sustained.

Mr. Call moved that the House Resolution providing for going into an election for Attorney General at 7½ o'clock, P. M., on Tuesday, 22nd January, be placed among the orders of the day.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Chain asked leave, which was granted him, to introduce the following bill, of which he had previously given notice:

A bill to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to require licenses to be taken out by persons and subjects not hitherto taxed, approved January 12, 1849;

Which was placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Rogers moved that the Senator from the 19th District be excused from further attendance during the session;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Call, pursuant to previous notice, introduced the following bills:

A bill to be entitled an Act to incorporate the Commercial Bank of Fernandina; and

A bill to be entitled an Act to incorporate the Mutual Marine and Fire Insurance Company of Fernandina;

Which were placed among the orders of the day.

The following communication was received from the House of Representatives:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
January 21, 1861. }

Hon. T. J. EPPES,

President of the Senate:

Sir: The House of Representatives has passed the following bills, viz.:

A Senate bill to be entitled an Act to make Senean Brown, wife of Henry Brown, a free dealer;

A House bill to be entitled an Act authorizing and directing the Secretary of State to furnish the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Columbia county, with the seal of office;

A House bill to be entitled an Act to Incorporate the town of Campbellton, of Jackson county;

A House bill to be entitled an Act to repeal an Act authorizing a Bridge Tax in Walton county;

A House bill to be entitled an Act to Incorporate the Pensacola and Mobile Railroad and Manufacturing Company;

A House bill to be entitled an Act to amend the Acts creating laws in favor of builders, material, men, mechanics, laborers and others;

A Senate bill to be entitled an Act declaring who shall be held and considered orphans;

A House bill to be entitled an Act to reorganize the county of Brevard and for other purposes; and

A Senate bill to be entitled an Act regulating Pilots and Pilotage of the bay of Pensacola;

The following bill was lost.

A Senate bill to be entitled an Act to empower William H. Webster, a minor, to assume the management of his own estate, and to contract and be contracted with.

Respectfully,

A. J. PEELER,
Clerk House Rep,

Which was read and the bills placed among the orders of the day.

The following communication was received from Wm. S. Harris, Secretary of the State Convention:

HOUSE OF DELEGATES, }
Tallahassee, Fla., Jan. 22, 1861. }

Hon. T. J. EPPES,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I herewith, by directions of the Convention, transmit to your body, certain ordinances and resolutions, adopted by the Convention of the people of Florida, at its late session, viz:

An Ordinance of Secession.

Ordinances fifth, sixth and seventh, relating to duties and imports.

An Ordinance empowering the Legislature to do certain things.

An Ordinance extending the jurisdiction of the State over Forts, Arsenals, etc.

An Ordinance to amend the eleventh section of the sixth article of the Constitution.

An Ordinance authorizing the Governor to appoint William H. Chase a Major General.

An ordinance authorizing the Governor to accept the services of persons in certain cases.

An Ordinance amending the seventh article of the Constitution.

An Ordinance giving to the Circuit Courts certain powers.

An Ordinance to create a Court at Key West.

An Ordinance changing the second section of the third Article of the Constitution.

An Ordinance relating to certain laws passed by Congress.

An Ordinance to amend the third and eighth sections of the sixth Article of the Constitution.

An Ordinance giving to the General Assembly certain powers.

An Ordinance to remove certain disabilities under the Constitution.

A resolution making it the duty of the General Assembly to provide for Light Houses, in certain cases.

Very respectfully,

WILLIAM S. HARRIS,

Secretary of the Convention.

Which was read, and five hundred copies of the Ordinances accompanying said communication ordered to be printed in pamphlet form.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

House resolution in regard to the election of Attorney General and Comptroller of Public Accounts;

Was read.

Mr. Rogers moved to amend by substituting 12 o'clock to-morrow; Which was adopted.

The resolution as amended was adopted.

On motion, a committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Call, McQueen and Bowers, were appointed to convey said resolution to the House and request their concurrence to the amendment.

The committee retired, and after a short absence returned and reported they had performed that duty and were discharged.

The Senate resumed its consideration of a bill to be entitled an Act for the relief of the banks in this State and for other purposes.

The foregoing amendment of Mr. Call's was taken up;

Be it further enacted, That every bond, bill, note or other security for money, the consideration for which shall be a loan or advance of the notes of suspended banks shall be totally void.

And upon the question of its adoption the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Eppes and Call;

The vote was;

Yeas—Messrs. Call, Chain, McQueen, Simkins and Watlington—5.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Baldwin, Bowers, Brokaw, Dawkins, Finlayson, Ingram, Jones, Magbee and Rogers—10.

So said amendment was lost.

Mr. Call moved that the section offered by him and adopted by the Senate on yesterday be amended by inserting between the words "business" and "the" the words "by way of loan or discount."

Which was adopted.

Upon motion of Mr. Chain, 80 copies of the bill as amended was ordered to be printed for the use of the Senate.

A bill to be entitled an Act providing for a stay of executions; 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 incorporate the Florida Mutual Fire and Marine Insurance Company;

Was read a first time by its title and ordered for second reading on to-morrow.

A bill to be entitled an Act to permit A. E. Hodges to establish a ferry across the Withlacooche river;

Was read a first time by its title and ordered for a second reading on to-morrow.

A bill to be entitled an Act to incorporate the Marine and Fire Insurance Company of Pensacola;

Was read a first time by its title and ordered for a second reading on to-morrow.

A bill to be entitled an Act to allow sheriff costs for advertising their sales in the public gazettes of this State;

Was read a first time by its title and ordered for a second reading on to-morrow.

On motion, the Senate bills and resolutions which have passed the House and been certified to the Senate were ordered to be enrolled.

A bill to be entitled an Act to provide for the payment of the Florida Volunteers and others who have not been paid for services actually rendered the State of Florida in the last war with the Seminole Indians;

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

A bill to be entitled an Act to amend an Act concerning roads and highways in this State;

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

A bill to be entitled an Act for the protection of heirs, minors and wards against injustice in this State, and for other purposes;

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

A bill to be entitled an Act to amend an Act entitled an Act to amend an Act to authorize the appointment of Measurers and Inspectors, and for other purposes;

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

A bill to be entitled an Act to provide a remedy to enforce the lien of ship-wrights, ship-chandlers and others against ships, vessels, steam-boats or other water crafts;

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

Engrossed bill to be entitled an Act to change the times for holding the Circuit Courts for the Western Judicial Circuit;

Was read the third time and put upon its passage;

The vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Baldwin, Bowers, Brokaw, Call, Chain, Dawkins, Davidson, Finlayson, Ingram, Jones, Magbee, McQueen, Rogers, Simkins, Walker and Watlington—17.

Nays—None.

So 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 change the name of George R. Clotfelter to George Washington Rosamond;

Was read the third time and put upon its passage;

The vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Bowers, Brokaw, Call, Chain, Dawkins, Davidson, Finlayson, Ingram, Jones, Magbee, McQueen, Rogers, Simkins and Watlington—15.

Nays—Messrs. Baldwin and Walker—2.

So 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 incorporate the LaVilla Institute near Jacksonville, Florida;

Was read the third time and put upon its passage;

The vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Baldwin, Bowers, Brokaw, Call, Chain, Dawkins, Davidson, Finlayson, Ingram, Jones, Magbee, McQueen, Rogers, Walker and Watlington—16.

Nays—none.

So said bill passed—title as stated.

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

A bill to be entitled an Act for the relief of James McCormick;

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

Engrossed bill to be entitled an Act to change the name of Martha Anne Barnes to that of Mary Harriet McClelland;

Was read a third time and put upon its passage;

The vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Bowers, Brokaw, Call, Chain, Dawkins, Davidson, Finlayson, Ingram, Jones, Magbee, McQueen and Watlington—13.

Nays—Messrs. Baldwin, Rogers, Simkins and Walker—4.

So said bill passed—title as stated.

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

Engrossed bill entitled an Act for the relief of James C. McArthur, former Sheriff of Santa Rosa county;

Was read a third time and put upon its passage;

The vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Baldwin, Bowers, Brokaw, Call, Chain, Dawkins, Davidson, Finlayson, Ingram, Jones, Magbee, McQueen, Rogers, Simkins, Walker and Watlington—17.

Nays—none.

So said bill passed—title as stated.

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

A bill to be entitled an Act to define and punish slander;

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

A bill to be entitled an act to punish breaches of trust by Telegraph Operators;

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

Engrossed bill to be entitled an Act concerning replevin;

Was read a third time and put upon its passage;

The vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Baldwin, Bowers, Brokaw, Call, Chain, Dawkins, Davidson, Finlayson, Ingram, Jones, Magbee, McQueen, Rogers, Simkins and Walker—16.

Nays—None.

So said bill passed—title as stated.

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

A bill to be entitled an Act requiring the several counties in this State to defray the expenses of jurors and State witnesses;

Mr. Rogers moved to amend by adding the following section:

Be it further enacted, That from and after the passage of this Act, the Board of County Commissioners of the different counties

of this State be and they are hereby empowered to impose such tax on their respective counties as may be sufficient to defray the annual expenses of such counties.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Call moved to amend by adding the following section :

Be it further enacted, That the Board of County Commissioners of each county shall have power to fix the compensation both per diem and mileage which shall be allowed to jurors and State witnesses in said county : *Provided*, no juror or State witness shall be allowed less than fifty cents per day nor less than four cents per mile travel. And no juror or State witness shall be allowed any per diem or mileage for attendance on any Court where any cause, either criminal or civil, is pending, to which he is a party, or in which he is a witness on behalf of any party other than the State, and the clerk of each Circuit Court shall at the close of each term thereof, furnish to the Treasurer of each county, a certified abstract of all jurors and State witnesses who are entitled to pay for attending said term; and shall also certify that none of the parties therein named were parties to any suit pending at said term, or were summoned or sworn as witnesses in any cause on behalf of any party other than the State.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Davidson moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed ;

Upon which the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Magbee and Davidson ;

The vote was :

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Bowers, Chain, Dawkins, Davidson, Jones, Magbee, McCall, Simkins and Watlington—10.

Nays—Messrs. Baldwin, Brokaw, Call, Finlayson, Ingram, Rogers and Walker—7.

So said bill was indefinitely postponed.

House amendments to bill to be entitled an Act for the relief of Joseph B. Wood, of Columbia county ;

Was concurred in, and the bill ordered to be enrolled.

House amendments to bill to be entitled an Act to authorize the county Commissioners of Escambia and Santa Rosa counties to borrow money to build a Court House and Jail ;

Were concurred in, and the bill ordered to be enrolled.

A bill to be entitled an Act to increase the compensation of the Solicitors of this State ;

Was read the second time.

Mr. Rogers moved to strike out the words "or county" in the second section ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Magbee moved the bill be indefinitely postponed ;

Upon which the yeas and nays were called by Messrs. Magbee and Davidson ;

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Bowers, Brokaw, Davidson, Finlayson, Magbee, Walker and Watlington—7.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Baldwin, Call, Chain, Dawkins, Ingram, Jones and Rogers—8.

So the motion to indefinitely postpone was lost.

The bill was then ordered to be engrossed for a reading on to-morrow.

A bill to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide for the payment of cost by plaintiffs in certain cases in the Western Judicial Circuit ;

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

A bill to be entitled an Act to provide for the holding of extra terms of the Circuit Court ;

Was read a second time and indefinitely postponed.

A resolution in regard to an adjournment of the General Assembly ;

Was read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Rogers it was indefinitely postponed.

Engrossed resolution for the relief of George B. Ellis, of Alachua county ;

Was read a third time and put upon its passage ;

The vote was :

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Baldwin, Bowers, Brokaw, Call, Chain, Dawkins, Davidson, Ingram, Jones and Rogers—11.

Nays—none.

So said resolution passed—title as stated.

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

The Senate then adjourned until half-past ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, January 23, 1861.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

A quorum present.

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