

er, Hogue, Roper, Russell of Jefferson, Scott and Smith—10. Senate 10. House 29. Total 39.

FOR BENEZET—Messrs. Holland, King and Taylor—3. Senate 3. House 11. Total 14.

FOR BLANK—Messrs. Norwood and Russell of St. Johns—2. Senate 2. House 3. Total 5.

Mr. Gwynn having received the requisite number of votes, the President announced him duly elected Comptroller for the ensuing term.

The Joint Assembly then proceeded to the election of State Treasurer.

Mr. Williams nominated Mr. Chas. H. Austin.

The Joint Assembly proceeded to ballot.

The vote was:

FOR AUSTIN—Mr. President, Messrs. Arnow, Carter, Clary, Hogue, Holland, King, Roper, Russell of Jefferson, Scott, Smith and Taylor—12. Senate 12. House 42. Total 54.

FOR BLANK—Messrs. Cooper, Norwood, and Russell of St. John's—3. Senate 3. House 1. Total 4.

Mr. Austin having received the requisite number of votes, the President announced him duly elected State Treasurer.

On motion of Mr. Holland, the Joint Assembly adjourned.

The object of the meeting having been accomplished, the Senators returned to the Senate Chamber.

The Senate was called to order by the President.

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

THURSDAY, November 27th, 1862.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

A quorum present.

The journal of yesterday was read, corrected and approved.

The President declared motions in order.

On motion, Messrs. Hopkins and Hogue were excused from attendance on the Senate for a short time to-day.

Mr. Taylor moved that Mr. Allison be appointed Chairman of the Joint Select Committee on the boundary between Georgia and Florida, and that Mr. Taylor be excused from acting as said Chairman,

Which was adopted.

Mr. Smith, in pursuance of previous notice, presented a bill to be entitled an act to authorize Judges of Probate to appoint deputies,

Which was received and placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Arnow, in pursuance of previous notice, presented a bill to be entitled an act in relation to citizenship,

Which was received and placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Arnow, in pursuance of previous notice, introduced a bill to be entitled an act to amend ordinance 53,

Which was received and placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Arnow, in pursuance of previous notice, introduced a bill to be entitled an act to suspend the sales of public lands and for other purposes,

Which was received and placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Arnow, from the Committee on Printing, made the following report:

The Committee on Printing report:

That they have made a contract with E. A. Hart, Esq., to do the Senate printing on the same terms as Messrs. Dyke & Carlisle prints for the House.

Your Committee would further report that the terms are more reasonable, considering the price of operatives and material, than the prices paid in more prosperous times.

ARNOW, Chairman.
COOPER,
HOGUE.

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Arnow, from a Special Committee, made the following report: The Committee instructed to obtain the services of a Chaplain, beg leave to report:

That they have secured the services of Rev. Dr. DuBose,

ARNOW, Chairman.
ALLISON,
TAYLOR.

Was read and adopted.

Mr. Taylor, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported the following bill and resolution as correctly enrolled, viz:

An act to authorize the removal of slaves and other property from the State; and,

Resolution of thanks to Florida troops.

J. M. TAYLOR.

Which was read and adopted.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate the making and sale of salt within the State of Florida,

Was read the second time and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the repayment of moneys withdrawn from the School and Seminary Funds,

Was, on motion, passed over informally.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Ordinance 53,

Was read the first time and ordered for a second reading on tomorrow.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize Judges of Probate to appoint deputies,

Was read the first time and ordered for a second reading on tomorrow.

The following communication was received from the House of Representatives:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
November 26, 1862. }

HON. E. J. VANN,

President of the Senate—

SIR—The House has this day passed the following bills, viz:

House bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act to authorize the Secretary of this State to appoint an assistant;

House bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John P. Duval; also,

Senate bill to be entitled an act to allow officers of Insurance Companies to hold their offices until their successors are elected, where such elections cannot be held on account of the war, with amendments.

Respectfully,

THOS. B. BAREFOOT,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Which was read, and the House bills placed among the orders of the day, and on motion of Mr. Allison, the amended Senate bill was passed over informally for the present.

Also the following:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
November 26, 1862. }

HON. E. J. VANN,

President of the Senate—

SIR: The House has this day adopted the following Senate joint resolution, viz:

Joint resolution in relation to rules governing the General Assembly.

Respectfully,

THOS. B. BAREFOOT,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Which was read.

A bill to be entitled an act in relation to citizenship,

Was read the first time and ordered for a second reading on tomorrow.

House joint resolution to facilitate the procurement of cotton and wool cards by the citizens of this State,

Was read the second time and referred to the Joint Committee in aid of Soldiers' Families.

The rules being waived, Mr. Holland was allowed to make a motion.

Mr. Holland moved to refer House resolution in relation to cards to the Joint and Select Committee of both Houses to whom was referred all matters in relation to aid to soldiers families,

Which was adopted.

House bill to be entitled an act to secure the faithful performance of duty by the officers of Government,

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

House bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Jailors in the several counties in this State,

Was read a second time.

Mr. Norwood presented the following amendment:

By striking out the word "sixty cents," in the seventh line of said bill and inserting "seventy-five cents" in lieu thereof,

Which was adopted, and the bill placed among the orders of the day for to-morrow.

House bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John P. DuVal,

Was read a first time, rule waived, read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A message was received from the Governor.

On motion of Mr. Holland, the rules were waived and the Senate went into secret session.

The Senate having concluded their secret session, the public business was resumed.

On motion, the rules were waived to allow Mr. Cooper to make a motion,

Mr. Cooper moved that the Senator from Hamilton, Mr. Smith, be excused for a few days,

Which was adopted.

Orders of the day having been resumed, the House bill entitled an act to repeal an act to authorize the Secretary of this State to appoint an assistant,

Was read the first time, rule waived, read a second time by its title, and, on motion, was indefinitely postponed.

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

A bill to be entitled an act to suspend the sale of public lands and for other purposes,

Was read the first time, rule waived, read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

The rule was waived to allow Mr. Holland to move that the bill

to be entitled an act to allow officers of Insurance Companies to hold their offices until their successors are elected, where such elections cannot be held on account of the war, with House amendments, which was passed over informally, be taken up and the amendments concurred in,

Which was agreed to.

The rule was waived to allow Mr. Russell, of Jefferson, to make the following motion :

Mr. Russell moved that the bill repealing the 52d Ordinance of the Constitution be withdrawn from the Joint Judiciary Committee and referred to the Judiciary Committee of the Senate,

Which was adopted.

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

FRIDAY, November 28th, 1862.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the Chair.

A quorum present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

The President announced motions in order.

Mr. Holland moved that the Message of the Governor, and the action of the Secret Session of the Senate, of Thursday, 27th instant, thereon, be spread upon the Journals,

Which was adopted.

The following is the message, and action thereon :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
Tallahassee, November 27th, 1862. }

TO THE HON. E. J. VANN,

President of the Senate :

SIR : The 10th section of the 5th article of the Constitution of the State makes it the duty of the Governor to appoint Judges of the Supreme Court, Chancellors and Judges of the Circuit Court, "by and with the advice and consent of two-thirds of the Senate, when in session, &c."

The 15th section of the 3d article provides that "vacancies that happen in offices, the appointment of which is vested in the General Assembly, or given to the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall be filled by the Governor, during the recess of the General Assembly, by granting commissions, which shall expire at the end of the next session."