

A bill to be entitled an act authorizing publication to be made out of the State, of sales by administrators and executors in certain cases,

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

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to protect the interests of stock holders in this State, approved December 13, 1862,

Was read a first time, rule waived, read a second and third times by its title, and put upon its passage;

The vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Arnow, Carter, Cater, Clary, Cooper, Hogue, Hopkins, Jones, King, Norwood, Roper, Russell of 17th District, Scott and Smith—15.

Nays—None.

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 allow the Judges of the Circuit Courts of this State to appoint Sheriffs in certain cases,

Was read the second time.

On motion of Mr. Norwood, the rule was waived and the bill read a third time by its title, and put upon its passage;

The vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Arnow, Carter, Cater, Clary, Cooper, Hogue, Hopkins, Jones, King, Norwood, Roper, Russell of 17th District, Scott, Smith and Taylor—16.

Nays—None.

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 the seventh section of an act to change the mode of selecting Grand and Petit Jurors in this State,

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

A bill to be entitled an act relating to evidence,

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

A bill to be entitled an act allowing officers arresting criminals to take a bond, with good and efficient security, for their appearance at court,

Was read the second time, and, on motion of Mr. Taylor, indefinitely postponed.

The following communication was received from the House of Representatives:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
November 19th, 1863.

HON. E. J. VANN,

President of the Senate:

SIR: The House has this day adopted the following resolutions, viz:

Senate joint resolution in relation to adjournment, with amendment.

Resolutions of thanks to Gen. Wm. Bailey and Dr. Henry Bacon.

Respectfully,

THOS. B. BAREFOOT,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Which was received and read.

On motion of Mr. Norwood, the Senate concurred in the House amendment to the Senate resolution for adjournment.

House resolution was read a first time, and ordered to be placed among the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Resolution relative to exemption of officers of the State of Florida, Was read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Taylor, the resolution was ordered to be laid on the table for its indefinite postponement.

On motion, the rule was waived to allow Mr. Hogue to introduce, without further notice, the following bill:

A bill to be entitled an act, to create special tribunals for the trial of offences committed by slaves, free negroes and mulattoes, to regulate the mode of trial and of appeals from the judgment of said tribunals.

The orders of the day being through with, on motion of Mr. Hopkins, the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, November 20th, 1863.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Smith.

The roll being called, the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Messrs. Abercrombie, Arnow, Carter, Cater, Clary, Cooper, Hogue, Hopkins, Jones, King, Norwood, Roper, Russell, of 17th District, Scott, Smith and Taylor.

A quorum present.

The journal of yesterday's proceedings was read, corrected and approved.

The President declared motions in order.

On motion of Mr. Hopkins, the rule was waived to allow him to introduce the following bills without previous notice:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to provide for the more effectual administration of justice in the courts of this State, approved January 24, 1851;

A resolution for the relief of Justices of the Peace in the State of Florida; and,

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the act concerning divorces. Which were placed among the orders of the day.

The rules were waived to allow Mr. Arnow to introduce the following bills:

A bill to be entitled an act to suspend the sale of public lands in this State during the present war; and,

A bill to be entitled an act for the support of indigent widows and orphans of soldiers who have died or been killed in the service of the State or Confederate States, and for other purposes;

Which were placed among the orders of the day.

The rule was waived to allow Mr. Cooper to introduce the following bill:

A bill to be entitled an act to change the name of Levy county in this State to the name of Ward county;

Which was placed among the orders of the day.

The rule was waived to allow Mr. Scott to introduce the following bill:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of D. B. Cappleman, Sheriff of Marion county;

Which was placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Roper introduced the following bill according to previous notice:

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act to regulate trade and intercourse with the Indians;

Which was placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Cater stated that Mr. Abercrombie was sick, and unable to attend on the Senate, and moved that he be excused;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Smith gave notice that he would, on some future day, introduce the following bill:

A bill to be entitled an act in relation to dower in real estate.

Mr. Roper stated that the Sergeant-at-Arms and Doorkeeper was sick, and moved that he be excused for to-day from the Senate;

Which was adopted.

The rule was waived to allow the Committee on Engrossed Bills to make the following report:

The Committee on Engrossed Bills respectfully ask leave to report the following bills as correctly engrossed, viz:

A bill to be entitled an act relative to salaries of the officers of the State of Florida;

A bill to be entitled an act relating to evidence; and,

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the seventh section of an act entitled an act to change the mode of selecting Grand and Petit Jurors in this State.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JAMES P. CARTER, Chairman, pro tem.

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

On motion, Messrs. Cooper and Hogue were excused from acting on the Special Committee, appointed to settle Governor Perry's accounts.

The chair appointed Mr. Scott in place of Mr. Hogue, and Mr. Cater in place of Mr. Cooper.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

A bill to be entitled an act in relation to forfeited bonds of criminals,

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

A bill to be entitled an act authorizing publication to be made out of the State, of sales by Administrators and Executors, in certain cases,

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

The rule was waived, and, on motion of Mr. Cooper, Mr. Arnow was added to the Committee on the Judiciary.

House resolution of thanks to Gen. Wm. Bailey, and Dr. Henry Bacon,

Was read a second time.

Mr. Russell, of the 17th, presented the following additional resolution:

Resolved, That his Excellency, the Governor, is hereby requested to cause a copy of the above resolution to be forwarded to General Bailey, Dr. Bacon and the Augusta Manufacturing Company;

Which was read.

Mr. Norwood moved that the resolution be laid upon the table for the present;

Which was not adopted.

On motion of the Senator from the 17th, the amendment was adopted.

Mr. Holland moved to amend the resolution, by adding the names

of John D. Atkins and Joseph L. Dunham, of the firm of Atkins & Dunham of Franklin county, and Jason Gregory of Calhoun county; Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Holland moved to indefinitely postpone the resolution;

The yeas and nays being called for on the above motion by Mr. Holland;

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Cater, Clary, Holland, Norwood and Smith—5.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Arnow, Carter, Cooper, Hogue, Hopkins, Jones, King, Roper, Russell, of 17th District, Scott and Taylor—12.

So the motion was lost.

Mr. Hogue moved that the preamble and the words "the said," be stricken out of the resolution;

The yeas and nays being called for by Messrs. Holland and Hogue

The vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Arnow, Carter, Cater, Cooper, Hogue, Hopkins, Jones, King, Norwood, Roper, Russell of the 17th District, Scott, Smith and Taylor—15.

Nays—Mr. Holland—1.

So the motion was adopted.

Mr. Russell, of the 17th District, moved that the resolution be read a third time, and put upon its passage;

Which was adopted.

The vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Arnow, Carter, Cater, Clary, Cooper, Hogue, Hopkins, Jones, King, Roper, Russell of 17th District, Scott, Smith and Taylor—15.

Nays—None.

Mr. Holland was excused from voting.

So the resolution passed—title as stated.

Ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the seventh section of an act to change the mode of selecting Grand and Petit Jurors in this State,

Was read a third time, and placed upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Arnow and Cooper—2.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Carter, Cater, Clary, Hogue, Holland, Hopkins, Jones, King, Norwood, Roper, Russell of 17th District, Scott, Smith and Taylor—15.

So the bill was lost.

A bill to be entitled an act relating to Evidence,

Was read a third time, and placed upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Mr. Arnow—1.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Carter, Cater, Clary, Cooper, Hogue, Holland, Hopkins, Jones, King, Norwood, Roper, Russell of 17th District, Scott, Smith and Taylor—17.

So the bill was lost.

Engrossed bill to be entitled an act relative to the salaries of officers of the State of Florida,

Was read a third time, and on motion of Mr. Holland, placed back upon its second reading.

Mr. Holland presented the following amendment:

Be it further enacted, That the Solicitors of this State, shall receive five dollars per day, for every day actually engaged by them, in traveling to and from their several Courts.

The yeas and nays being called for by Messrs. Holland and Hogue, on the adoption of the above amendment;

The vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Cater, Cooper, Hogue, Holland, Hopkins, Jones, King, Scott and Taylor—10.

Nays—Messrs. Arnow, Carter, Clary, Norwood, Roper, Russell of 17th District and Smith—7.

So the amendment was adopted:

Mr. Norwood presented the following amendment.

Be it further enacted, That the excess in the salaries of all of the above officers as provided in this bill, over and above the salaries of such officers as heretofore provided by law, be and the same is hereby appropriated for the relief of the needy families of soldiers in this State.

The yeas and nays being called for by Messrs. Hogue and Norwood, on the adoption of the amendment, the following was the vote.

Yeas—Messrs. Carter, Clary, Norwood, Roper, Russell of 17th District, Scott and Smith—7.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Arnow, Cater, Cooper, Hogue, Holland, Hopkins, Jones, King and Taylor—10.

So the amendment was not adopted.

Mr. Taylor introduced the following amendment:

Amend that clause of the bill providing for compensation for the services of the Secretary of State of the State of Florida, by striking out the words "twenty-eight," and insert in lieu thereof, the word "twelve," so as to make it read *twelve hundred dollars*, instead of *twenty-eight hundred dollars*, as it now reads.

Messrs. Hogue and Norwood called for the yeas and nays on the adoption of the amendment offered by Mr. Taylor.

The vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Arnow, Carter, Cater, Cooper,

Hogue, Holland, Hopkins, Jones, King, Norwood, Russell of 17th District, Scott and Taylor—14.

Nays—Messrs. Clary, Roper and Smith—3.

So the amendment was adopted.

Mr. Hopkins presented the following amendments:

Be it further enacted That the provisions of this bill shall continue in force until the termination of hostilities between the United States and the Confederate States, and no longer.

Also Strike out "\$2,800" and insert "2,000" for the services of Register.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Hogue presented the following amendment:

That the salary of the Attorney General be \$1000 instead of \$1200;

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Hogue, the bill, as amended, was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading to-morrow.

A bill entitled an act to amend an act to provide for the more effectual administration of justice in the courts of this State, approved January 24, 1851;

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

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Justices of the Peace in the State of Florida,

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

A bill to be entitled an act concerning divorcees,

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

A bill to be entitled an act to suspend the sale of public lands in this State, for and during the existence of the present war,

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

A bill entitled an act for the support of indigent widows and orphans of soldiers, who have died or have been killed in the service of the State or Confederate States, and for other purposes,

Was read the first time, rule waived, read a second time by its title and referred to the Joint and Select Committee on Soldiers' Families.

A bill entitled an act to change the name of Levy county to Ward county,

Was read the first time, rule waived, read a second and third time, by its title, and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Arnaw, Carter, Cater, Clary,

Cooper, Hogue, Holland, Hopkins, Jones, King, Norwood, Roper, Russell, of 17th District, Scott, Smith, and Taylor.—17.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

Ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

A bill entitled an act for the relief D. B. Cappleman, Sheriff of Marion county,

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

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act to regulate trade and intercourse with the Indians;

Was read the first time, rule waived, read a second and third time, by its title, and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Arnaw, Carter, Cater, Clary, Cooper, Hogue, Holland, Hopkins, Jones, King, Norwood, Roper, Russell of 17th District, Scott, Smith and Taylor—17.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

Ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

A bill to be entitled an act, for the organization of the Militia, Was read and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

The following communication was received from the House of Representatives:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
November 20th, 1863. }

HON. E. J. VANN,

President of the Senate:

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

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Ordinance No. 53, of the Convention, in relation to soldiers' voting.

Very respectfully,

THOS. B. BAREFOOT,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Which was read, and House bill placed among the orders of the day.

Also the following:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
November 20th, 1863. }

HON. E. J. VANN,

President of the Senate:

SIR—The House has this day adopted the following resolutions, viz:

Resolution asking the Governor not to license any more distilleries, until the further action of the Legislature; and,

Resolutions relative to the appointment of an Agent for soldiers' families, in the counties of Santa Rosa and Escambia.

Respectfully,

THOS. B. BAREFOOT,
Clerk House Representatives.

Which was read, and the House resolutions placed among the orders of the day.

Also the following:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
November 19th, 1863.

HON. E. J. VANN,

President of the Senate:

SIR—The House has this day passed the following bill and resolution, viz:

A bill for the protection of cattle owners in the counties of Levy, Lafayette, Taylor, Alachua, Wakulla and Duval; and, Senate resolution of thanks to our soldiers.

Respectfully,

THOS. B. BAREFOOT,
Clerk House Representatives.

Which was read and House bill placed among the orders of the day and Senate resolution ordered to be enrolled.

House bill for the protection of cattle owners in the Counties of Levy, LaFayette, Taylor, Alachua, Wakulla and Duval.

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

House bill to amend Ordinance No. 53, of the Conventions in relation to soldier's voting,

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

House resolution asking the Governor not to license any more distilleries until the further action of the Legislature,

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

House resolution relative to the appointment of agent for soldiers' families in the counties of Santa Rosa and Escambia,

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

The orders of the day being through with, on motion, the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, November 21, 1863.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President being absent, Mr. Russell, of the 17th District, was called to the chair.

The roll being called the following Senators answered to their names: Messrs. Carter, Clary Cooper, Hogue, Holland, Hopkins, Jones, King, Norwood, Roper, Russell of Jefferson, Russell of 17th Dist., Scott, Smith and Taylor—15.

A quorum present.

Mr. Holland nominated Mr. Russell, of Jefferson, as President, pro tem.

Mr. Russell was elected President pro tem, during the absence of Mr. Vann.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Smith.

The Journal of yesterday was read, corrected and approved.

Mr. Cooper moved that Mr. Cater be excused from acting on the Special Committee, appointed to settle Gov. Perry's accounts, and that Mr. King, be appointed in his place;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Hogue moved that the rule be waived, to allow him to introduce a bill without previous notice;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Russell, of the 17th District, moved that so much of the Governor's Message as refers to soldiers' families, be referred to the Special Joint Committee of both Houses; and,

That so much as relates to cards, salt, fisheries and Hospitals, be referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances; and,

That so much as relates to crops, be referred to the Committee on Agriculture; and,

That so much as relates to the blockade, be referred to the Committee on the State of the Commonwealth; and,

That so much as relates to the issue of treasury notes, be referred to the Committee on Finance and Public Accounts; and,

That so much as relates to public lands, be referred to the Committee on Public Lands; and,

That so much as relates to the currency, be referred to the Committee on Taxation and Revenue; and,

That so much as relates to the Militia, be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs; and,

That so much as relates to the Arsenal, be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs; and,

That so much as relates to distilleries, be referred to the Committee on Confederate Relations;

Which was adopted.