

On motion, Mr. Vann was excused from attendance on the Senate till Tuesday evening next at 7 o'clock.

On motion, Mr. Brevard was excused from attendance on the Senate till Tuesday next.

On motion, the Senate adjourned until Monday morning 10 o'clock.

MONDAY, January 8th, 1866.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

A quorum present.

The President in the chair.

Mr. Ross moved that the Senate reconsider a resolution passed by the Senate, on the 4th inst., and that the same be placed before the Senate for further consideration.

The Chair decided that the resolution above named, having gone out of the possession of the Senate, the motion was out of order.

The following communication was received from the House of Representatives :

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
January 8th, 1866. }

Hon. W. W. J. KELLY,

President of the Senate :

SIR : I have been instructed by the House of Representatives to request the Senate to return to the House—

House bill to be entitled an act in relation to Judicial proceedings, and the appointments of referees in civil cases.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Which was read.

On motion of Mr. Cottrell, the bill was taken from the table, and ordered to be sent back to the House.

Mr. White moved, That (in view of an early adjournment by the General Assembly,) all the bills reported by the Constitutional Commission, now before the Senate, be placed first among the orders of the day;

Which was read and agreed to.

The following communication was received from the House of Representatives :

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Jan., 6, 1866.

Hon. W. W. J. KELLY,

President of the Senate:

Sir: The House of Representatives has this day passed the following bills and resolutions, to wit:

House bill to be entitled an act to permanently locate the site of Brevard County.

House resolution relative to publishing the fees of the several officers of this State.

House bill to be entitled an act to consolidate the offices of Sheriff, Tax Assessor and Collector of Polk County;

Also, concurred in Senate amendments to a bill to be entitled an act to establish and organize a county: Criminal Court.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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

On motion, the rule was waived, in order to allow Mr. Gorrie to introduce the following resolution:

Resolution requesting His Excellency Andrew Johnson to pardon Jefferson Davis;

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

On motion, the rule was waived to allow Mr. Steele to introduce the following resolution:

Resolution providing for the appointment of an agent of the State at Washington;

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

Mr. Pearce, Chairman of the Committee on Propositions and Grievances, made the following report:

The Committee on Propositions and Grievances, to whom was referred a bill to be entitled an act authorizing the sale of escheated lands belonging to the estate of John Eaton, deceased, beg leave to

REPORT:

That they have had the same under consideration, and recommend the passage thereof, with the following amendments:

Strike out the words "in the Land Office at Tallahassee," in the 6th line of section 2d, and insert the following: "at the county site of Volusia county."

Add the following section as section 4th:

It is further enacted, That the Register of Public Lands be, and he is hereby authorized and instructed to provide for the taking of said lands until the same shall be sold under the provision of this act."

Amend the title of the said bill by inserting after the word "lands," the following: "lying in the county of Volusia, and formerly."

Respectfully submitted,

E. A. PEARCE,
Chairman Committee.

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

Mr. Steele made the following report:

Your committee, to whom was referred the bill to be entitled an act giving further time to purchasers of School and Seminary lands to complete their payment, direct me to

REPORT:

That they have the same under consideration; and having in view the fact that many of the notes and bonds (perhaps the larger proportion of them) are given for quite small amounts, some of them so small that the compensation this bill provides for the collection of the same by a Solicitor, will nearly absorb them in some instances and very materially lessen the sum to accrue to the Register of Public Lands. In view of the fact, also, that the Solicitors are salaried officers of the State, your committee deem that they are already sufficiently paid to attend to the interests of the State in the collection of these bonds, or notes, and therefore beg leave to offer the following amendment to the bill:

Strike out all of the 3d section of the bill, that occurs after the word "practicable," in the 10th line of said section.

With this amendment, they recommend the passage of the bill

Respectfully submitted,

HOLMES STEELE, Chm'n.

Which was read.

Mr. Gorrie, from the Committee on the Judiciary, made the following report:

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred "A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the equitable adjustment of contracts made during the late war," have had the same under consideration and instruct me to

REPORT:

That ordinance No. 8 of the late Convention of the people of this

State, entitled "An ordinance in reference to contracts made during the late war," has the same provisions, and grants the same powers and remedies as this act, and therefore, in the opinion of your committee, render the passage of such an act entirely unnecessary.

JOHN M. GORRIE,

Chm'n *pro tem.* Judiciary Committee.

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

Also the following:

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred "A bill entitled an act to authorize the Criminal Court of Duval county to have jurisdiction in all civil cases not exceeding three hundred dollars,"

REPORT:

That they have considered the same maturely, and believe that under clause 1st, Article V, Constitution of the State, they are authorized to grant the above mentioned court such powers; therefore they recommend that the bill do pass.

JOHN M. GORRIE,

Chm'n *pro tem.* Judiciary Committee.

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

Also the following:

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred "a bill entitled an act to provide for appeals from orders, decrees, and judgments rendered during the late war,"

REPORT:

That they have had the same under consideration, and, in their opinion, the subject matter of this bill is covered by ordinance (No. 9,) entitled "an ordinance for the relief and protection of certain persons therein named," and as the period of time mentioned therein for such rehearing is designated as six months, and as this is a part of the fundamental law of the land, from which the General Assembly can neither depart or add to, they recommend that the said bill do not pass, as it, in their opinion, exceeds the time mentioned by said ordinance.

JOHN M. GORRIE,

Chm'n *pro tem.* Judiciary Committee.

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

Also the following:

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred a bill entitled an act to ratify an ordinance of the late Convention legalizing all laws of this State passed during and since the tenth session of the Legislature thereof, in 1860, not repugnant to the constitution of the State or of the United States,

REPORT:

That they have had the same under consideration, and do not recognize the power of this General Assembly to ratify any act of the people of the State in Convention assembled; and furthermore, that the object of this bill is now accomplished, in the first clause, XVII. Article of the State Constitution, under the head of schedule and ordinance, and therefore recommend that this bill do not pass.

JOHN M. GORRIE,

Chairman *pro tem.* Judiciary Committee.

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

Mr. Roper, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills made the following report:

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

A bill substituted by the Finance Committee, "to be entitled an act to fix the rate of interest on money, bonds, notes and judgments; also,

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the County Commissioners of the county of Escambia to borrow money for the purpose of building a Court-House and Jail; also,

They find correctly engrossed according to the original bill,

A bill to be entitled "an act to raise a revenue for the State of Florida."

Your committee suggest that a correction be made in section 4, 3rd line, in the original and engrossed bill, between the words "shall and at," the words "be taxed."

Respectfully submitted.

J. H. ROPER, Ch'n.

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

Mr. Cottrell made the following report:

The Committee of Conference appointed by the Senate and House to confer on the disagreement between the two Houses on the bill to be entitled an act to prevent and punish trespass upon the public lands of this State, after free conference, recommend that the Senate amendment to the second section of the bill be amended by inserting in said amendment, after the word "cedar," the words "juniper and cypress;" and as thus amended they recommend that

the same be adopted by the two Houses, the House agreeing to the other amendments of the Senate.

JOHN McLELLAN,
Chm'n House Committee.
J. L. F. COTTRELL,
Chm'n Senate Committee.

Which was read and the amendments proposed adopted, and ordered to be certified to the House.

Mr. Crawford made the following report:

The Select Committee, to whom was referred the petition of sundry citizens of Wakulla county touching the selection of a permanent county site for said county, respectfully

REPORT:

That they have had the same under consideration, and after due deliberation recommend that the prayer in said petition be granted. All of which is submitted with the accompanying bill.

JNO. L. CRAWFORD, Chm'n.

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

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

House bill to be entitled an act prescribing additional penalties for the commission of offences against the State and for other purposes,

Was read the second time.

Mr. Cottrell offered the following amendment:

In Section 4, line 2, insert after "he," the word "she;" strike out the word "his," and insert "and their";

Which was adopted.

Mr. Roper moved to amend by inserting after the word "him," in 1st line, the words "or her;"

Which was adopted.

The Committee on the Judiciary recommended the following amendment:

In Section 5, strike out in 2d and 3d lines, the words "they shall suffer death or;"

Which was adopted.

Mr. Oliveros moved to amend, in section 5, 1st line, after "person," insert "or persons." In the 2d line, after the word "person," insert "or persons;"

Which was adopted.

Mr. Bird moved to strike out in section 6th, 1st line, all after

"any," to "shall," and insert "person or persons," and in 2d line, after "he," insert "or they ;"

Which was adopted.

Mr. Oliveros moved to amend, in section 7, 1st line, after the word "person," insert "persons," and after the word "he," insert "or they ;"

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Oliveros moved to amend, in section 8, 1st line, insert after "person," "or persons," in 3d line, also, after "he," insert "she or they ;"

Which was adopted.

Mr. Cottrell moved to amend, in section 9th, 1st line, after the word "person," insert "or persons," and in 4th line, after "he," insert "she or they ;"

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Hendry moved to amend, section 9th, 4th line, after the word "enclosure," "or any bridge ;"

Which was adopted.

Mr. Cottrell moved to amend, section 10, 3d line, after "his," insert "her or their ;"

Which was adopted.

Mr. Cottrell moved to amend section 11, 1st line, after "person," insert "persons," 2d line, after "his," "or her," 4th line, after "his," insert "or her," after "person," insert "persons ;"

Which was adopted.

Mr. Bird moved to amend, section 12th, 1st line, strike out the words "negro, or mulatto other," also, same line, strike out the words "of color," and in 6th line, strike out the words "negro, mulatto or other," and "of color,"

Which was not adopted.

Mr. Roper moved to amend by striking out the 12th section,

On motion, the yeas and nays for such amendment were called for by Messrs. Rosseau and White,

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Roper, Steele and Woodruff—4.

Nays—Messrs. Abercrombie, Bird, Cottrell, Crawford, Curry, Evans, Finegan, Gorrie, Hendry, Jordan, Morrison, Oliveros, Owens, Pearce, Poe, Richard, Ross, Rosseau, Turner, White and Whitehurst—21.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Mr. Hendry moved to amend section 12, as follows :

After the word "kind," in 2d line, strike out all down to the word "applicant," in the 6th line ;

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. White moved to adopt the 12th section unamended.

The yeas and nays were called for on the same by Messrs. White and Ross.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Abercrombie, Bird, Cottrell, Crawford, Curry, Finegan, Gorrie, Hendry, Jordan, Morrison, Oliveros, Owens, Pearce, Poe, Richard, Rossan, Steele, Turner, White, and Whitehurst—20.

Nays—Messrs. Baker, Evans, Roper, Ross and Woodruff—5.

So the 12th section was adopted unamended.

The Committee on the Judiciary recommend the following amendment to 14th section :

In section 14th, after the word "jury," add the following words : "nor shall it be lawful for any white person to intrude himself into any religious or other public assembly of colored persons, or into any railroad car or other public vehicle set apart for the exclusive accommodation of persons of color, under the same penalties ;"

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Hendry moved to amend 14th section, after the word "people," in 3d line, the words "having been warned of his or her error;"

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Roper moved to amend 14th section after the word "people," in 3d line, insert "unless by permission of the white people so occupying said places."

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Abercrombie moved to strike out the 14th section.

On striking out the 14th section, the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Cottrell and Oliveros.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Abercrombie, Gorrie, Jordan and Roper—4.

Nays—Messrs. Baker, Bird, Cottrell, Crawford, Curry, Evans, Finegan, Hendry, Morrison, Oliveros, Owens, Pearce, Poe, Richard, Ross, Rossan, Steele, Turner, White and Woodruff—20.

So the motion was not agreed to.

Mr. Cottrell moved to amend section 17, line 1, after "person," insert "or persons;" line 3d, after "person," insert "or persons;" line 4th, after "person," where it first occurs in said line, insert "or persons;" in line 6th, after "person," insert "or persons;" in line 10th, after "person," insert "or persons."

Which was agreed to.

The Committee on Judiciary recommended the following amendment :

Section 17, strike out the word "and," and insert the word "any."

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Ross moved to amend section 17, 15th line, as follows : after the word "fence," insert the words "any mill dam, or dam, whatsoever."

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Gorrie moved to amend section 17, 22d line, as follows: after the words "lamp-post," insert "pavement, sidewalk, or levee in any town or city."

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Gorrie moved to amend section 17, line 22d, after the word "deface," insert the words "or destroy;"

Which was adopted.

Mr. Ross moved to amend section 17, after the word "disfigure," in 1st line, insert "or destroy;"

Which was adopted.

On motion, the Senate took a recess till 3 o'clock, p. m.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

Senate resumed its session.

A quorum present.

The following communication was received from the House of Representatives, viz:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
January 8th, 1866.

Hon. W. W. J. KELLY,

President of the Senate:

SIR: The House of Representatives has this day passed the following resolution:

House resolution relative to certificates of the members and officers of this General Assembly, and request that the Senate take immediate action thereon.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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

The following communication was received from the House of Representatives:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
January 8, 1866.

Hon. W. W. J. KELLY,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate bill to be entitled an act to authorize the city of Pensacola to issue bonds; and,

Senate bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Governor to negotiate a loan for the use of the State.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Which was read and the bills ordered to be enrolled.

The Senate resumed consideration of the House bill to be entitled an act prescribing additional penalties for the commission of offences against the State, and for other purposes.

Mr. Rosseau moved to amend section 18, 2d line, by inserting after the word "another," "except dogs."

Which was not agreed to.

The Committee on the Judiciary recommended the following:

"Strike out the 21st section."

Which was agreed to.

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

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Abercrombie, Bird, Cottrell, Crawford, Curry, Finegan, Hendry, Jordan, Oliveros, Owens, Pearce, Richard, Rosseau, Steele, Turner, White and Whitehurst—17.

Nays—Messrs. Baker, Gorrie, Roper, Ross and Woodruff—5.

So the bill passed as amended—title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House.

House bill to be entitled an act in addition to an act entitled an act to amend the act entitled an act concerning marriage licenses, approved January 23d, 1832,

Was read the second time.

Mr. Steele moved to amend the bill by adding the following as the 5th section to said bill:

SECTION 5. That in all cases where marriages have heretofore been contracted and solemnized between white persons and persons of color, and where the parties have continued to live as man and wife, the said marriages are hereby legalized, and neither of the parties shall be subject to the provisions of this or of any other act.

Which was agreed to.

On motion, the rule was waived and the bill read the third time by its title and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Abercrombie, Baker, Bird, Cottrell, Crawford, Curry, Finegan, Gorrie, Hendry, Jordan, Morrison, Oliveros, Owens, Pearce, Richard, Roper, Ross, Rosseau, Steele, Turner, White, Whitehurst and Woodruff—23.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed as amended—title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House.

House bill to be entitled an act to establish and enforce the marriage relations between persons of color,

Was read a third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Abercrombie, Baker, Bird, Cottrell, Crawford, Curry, Finegan, Gorrie, Hendry, Jordan, Morrison, Oliveros, Owens, Pearce, Poe, Richard, Roper, Ross, Rosseau, Steele, Turner, White, Whitehurst and Woodruff—23.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House.

House bill to be entitled an act in relation to the contracts of persons of color,

Was read the second time and the amendments recommended by the Committee on Judiciary were agreed to.

On motion, rule was waived, bill read third time by its title and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Abercrombie, Baker, Bird, Cottrell, Crawford, Curry, Finegan, Gorrie, Hendry, Jordan, Morrison, Oliveros, Owens, Pearce, Poe, Richard, Roper, Ross, Rosseau, Steele, Turner, White, Whitehurst and Woodruff—24.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House.

On motion, Mr. Bird moved to reconsider the vote on said bill;

Which was not agreed to.

House bill to be entitled an act in relation to apprentices,

Was read the second time.

Mr. Cottrell moved to amend, section 3d, 4th line, strike out the word "provide," and insert "proceed;"

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Bird moved to amend section 3d, 1st line, by inserting "or other persons legally," after the word "parent," and in 3d line, strike out the words "agreeably to the provisions and;"

Which was not agreed to.

On motion, the bill was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Abercrombie, Baker, Bird, Cottrell, Crawford, Curry, Finegan, Gorrie, Hendry, Jordan, Morrison, Oliveros, Owens, Pearce, Poe, Richard, Roper, Ross, Rosseau, Steele, Turner, White, Whitehurst and Woodruff—24.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed with amendments—title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House.

House bill to be entitled an act concerning testimony,

Was read the second time, and the amendments recommended by the committee agreed to.

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

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Bird, Cottrell, Crawford, Curry, Finegan, Jordan, Morrison, Oliveros, Owens, Poe, Richard, Rosseau, Steele, White, Whitehurst and Woodruff—16.

Nays—Messrs. Abercrombie, Baker, Gorrie, Hendry, Pearce, Roper, Ross and Turner—8.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House.

House bill to be entitled an act to extend to all the inhabitants of this State the benefits of the Courts of Justice and the processes thereof,

Was read a third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Abercrombie, Bird, Cottrell, Crawford, Curry, Finegan, Gorrie, Hendry, Jordan, Morrison, Oliveros, Owens, Pearce, Poe, Richard, Roper, Rosseau, Steele, Turner, White and Whitehurst—21.

Nays—Messrs. Baker, Ross and Woodruff—3.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the County Commissioners of the county of Escambia to borrow money for the purpose of building a Court-House and Jail,

Was read a third time by its title and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Abercrombie, Baker, Bird, Cottrell, Crawford, Finegan, Gorrie, Hendry, Jordan, Morrison, Oliveros, Owens, Pearce, Poe, Richard, Roper, Ross, Rosseau, Steele, Turner, White, Whitehurst and Woodruff—23.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House.

House resolution relative to the certificates of the members and officers of the General Assembly,

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

House bill to be entitled "an act to permanently locate the county site of Wakulla county."

Was read the first time.

On motion, rule waived, and bill read a second and third time, and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Abercrombie, Baker, Cottrell, Crawford, Curry, Finegan, Hendry, Jordan, Morrison, Oliveros, Pearce, Poe, Richard, Ross, Rosseau, Steele, Turner, White, Whitehurst and Woodruff—20.

Nays—Messrs. Owens and Roper,—2.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House.

A bill to be entitled an act to raise revenue for the State of Florida,

Was read the third time.

On motion of Mr. Cottrell, the bill was placed back upon its second reading;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Cottrell moved to amend the bill as follows: 6th section, 1st line, strike out all after the word "that," to the word "upon," (but excluding upon) in the 7th line;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Cottrell offered the following additional sections as an amendment:

Section.—*And be it further enacted*, That it is hereby declared to be unlawful for any person or persons to fish in the waters of Florida on board any vessel of the tonnage of ten tons, and above, until they shall have obtained a license therefor from the Judge of Probate of some county in this State, which said license any of the said judges are authorized to issue upon the application of the proper person or persons, and the said judge shall, before he shall issue said license, require the person or persons applying for the same, to pay to him the sum of three hundred dollars for every vessel of not over ten tons, and the sum of five hundred dollars for every vessel of not over twenty tons, and the sum of eight hundred dollars for every vessel of not over thirty tons, and the sum of fifteen hundred dollars for every vessel of a greater tonnage than forty tons; and the said license shall state that the same authorizes the parties therein named to fish in the said waters for the period of twelve months from the date of said license, and shall particularly describe the tonnage of the vessel or vessels and the number of each authorized to be used and employed as aforesaid.

Section.—*And be it further enacted*, If any person or persons shall fish on board of any vessel or vessels described in the foregoing section of this act without first having obtained the license to do so as is provided for in said section, the said person or persons so offending shall be guilty of misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof, before any court having jurisdiction thereof, shall be fined in a

sum double the amount he or they would have had to pay for a license to have so fished, or imprisoned a term not exceeding twelve months, at the discretion of the jury—one half the said fine to go to the prosecutor, and the other half to go to the treasury of the State.

Section.—*Be it further enacted*, That one license shall cover only one vessel or smack or boat, and when the vessel, boat or smack is of ten tons and under, a crew and fishermen of fifteen persons; when of twenty tons, a crew and fishermen to the number of thirty men, and when of forty tons and upwards a crew and fishermen to the number of fifty persons, and no more.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Finegan moved to amend section 4, "provided that the tax assessors and collectors in the counties bordering on the State of Georgia, be and they are hereby required to levy and collect the tax in said counties, to the Whitner and Orr line dividing the State of Georgia from the State of Florida.

Which was agreed to and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion, the Senate took a recess till 7 o'clock p. m.

SEVEN O'CLOCK. P. M.

The Senate resumed its session.

A quorum present.

The President in the chair.

Mr. Ross moved to reconsider the order to place the bill to be engrossed, back upon its second reading.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Gorrie moved to reconsider the vote of the Senate on the amendment offered by the Senator from the 26th district.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Cottrell asked permission to withdraw the amendments offered.

Which was granted.

Mr. Gorrie moved that the bill to be entitled an act to raise a revenue for the State of Florida, be passed over informally until tomorrow.

Which was agreed to.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal all acts regulating license of physicians and to establish a better system,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

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Nays—Messrs. Cottrell, Gorrie, Rosseau, Turner, White, Whitehurst and Woodruff—7.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for appeals from orders, decrees and judgments rendered during the late war by the Courts of this State,

Was read the second time.

On motion, rule waived, read third time by its title and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Roper, Ross, Steele and Woodruff—4.

Nays—Messrs. Bird, Cottrell, Crawford, Evans, Finegan, Gorrie, Hendry, Jordan, Morrison, Oliveros, Owens, Poe, Richard, Rosseau, Turner, White and Whitehurst—17.

So the bill did not pass.

A bill to be entitled an act to fix the rate of interest on money, bonds, notes and judgments,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Cottrell, Crawford, Evans, Gorrie, Hendry, Jordan, Morrison, Oliveros, Richard, Ross, Rosseau, Steele, White and Whitehurst—14.

Nays—Messrs. Abercrombie, Bird, Finegan, Owens, Poe, Roper, Turner and Woodruff—8.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

Ordered to be certified to the House.

A bill to be entitled an act to fix the salaries and compensation of the Solicitors in this State,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Bird, Crawford, Evans, Finegan, Morrison, Oliveros, Richard, Ross, Rosseau, Steele, Turner, White and Whitehurst—13.

Nays—Messrs. Abercrombie, Cottrell, Gorrie, Hendry, Jordan, Owens, Poe, Roper and Woodruff—9.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

Ordered to be certified to the House.

House resolution relative to publishing the fees of the several officers of this State,

Was read the first time.

On motion of Mr. Ross, the resolution was laid on the table.

House bill to be entitled an act to prevent the penning of cattle in certain months of the year and for other purposes,
Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Abercrombie, Bird, Cottrell, Crawford, Evans, Finegan, Gorrie, Hendry, Morrison, Oliveros, Owens, Poe, Richard, Roper, Ross, Rosseau, Steele, Turner, White, Whitehurst and Woodruff—21.

Nays—Mr. Jordan—1.

So the bill passed as amended—title as stated.

Ordered to be certified to the House.

House resolution for the appointment of Commissioners for the examination of the indebtedness of the State, and for other purposes,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Abercrombie, Bird, Cottrell, Crawford, Evans, Finegan, Hendry, Jordan, Morrison, Oliveros, Owens, Poe, Richard, Roper, Rosseau, Steele, Turner, White, Whitehurst and Woodruff—20.

Nays—Messrs. Gorrie and Ross—2.

So the resolutions passed—title as amended.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House.

House bill to be entitled an act for the adoption of two children by J. B. Askew and S. J. Askew,

Was read the second time

On motion, rule waived and read the third time by its title and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Abercrombie, Cottrell, Crawford, Evans, Finegan, Gorrie, Hendry, Jordan, Morrison, Oliveros, Owens, Poe, Richard, Roper, Rosseau, Steele, Turner, White, Whitehurst and Woodruff—21.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House.

Resolutions providing for the appointment of an agent for the State at Washington,

Was read the first time.

On motion, rule waived and resolutions read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Abercrombie, the resolutions were indefinitely postponed.

Resolutions requesting His Excellency Andrew Johnson to pardon Jefferson Davis,

Were read the first time.

On motion, rule waived and resolutions read second and third time by title and put upon their passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Abercrombie, Cottrell, Crawford, Evans, Finegan, Gorrie, Hendry, Jordan, Oliveros, Owens, Richard, Roper, Rosseau, Steele, Turner, White, Whitehurst and Woodruff—18.

Nays—None.

So the resolutions passed—title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House.

House bill to be entitled an act to alter the mode of selling school and seminary lands,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Abercrombie, Baker, Bird, Cottrell, Crawford, Evans, Finegan, Gorrie, Hendry, Jordan, Oliveros, Owens, Richard, Roper, Ross, Rosseau, Steele, Turner, White, Whitehurst and Woodruff—21.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House.

House bill to be entitled an act to provide for the revision, collation and digesting of the whole of the public statute law of the State, to be the Revised Code of Florida,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Abercrombie, Baker, Crawford, Finegan, Owens, Richard, Roper, Turner and Whitehurst—9.

Nays—Messrs. Bird, Cottrell, Evans, Gorrie, Hendry, Jordan, Oliveros, Ross, Rosseau, Steele, White and Woodruff—12.

So the bill did not pass.

Preamble and resolutions providing for an application to Congress to rebuild the Court House and Jail of the county of Duval,

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

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Abercrombie, Bird, Cottrell, Crawford, Evans, Finegan, Gorrie, Jordan, Oliveros, Owens, Richard, Roper, Ross, Rosseau, Steele, Turner, White and Whitehurst—18.

Nays—Messrs. Baker, Hendry and Woodruff—3.

So the resolutions passed—title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House.

Bill to be entitled an act to postpone sales under execution and judicial process until after the 1st day of January, 1867,

Was read the second time.

Mr. Hendry moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed:

Which was agreed to.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the support of dependent parents by their children,
 Was read a second time.

Mr. Ross moved to refer it to the Committee on Finance and Accounts,
 which was not agreed to.

Mr. Abercrombie moved to refer the bill to the Committee on Finance and Accounts;
 which was not agreed to.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize and empower the Governor to reorganize the municipal governments of certain towns,
 Was read a second time, on motion; rule waived, and

time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Cottrell, Crawford, Finegan, Jordan, Oliveros, Owens, Richard, Roper, Rosseau, Steele, White and Whitehurst—15.

Nays—Messrs. Abercrombie, Bird, Gorrie, Ross and Woodruff—5.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House.

Resolutions relative to the pay of the Lieutenant Governor,
 Was read a first time, rule waived, and read second time by its title, and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Abercrombie, Baker, Bird, Cottrell, Crawford, Hendry, Jordan, Oliveros, Owens, Richard, Roper, Rosseau, Steele, Turner, White, Whitehurst and Woodruff—19.

Nays—none.

So the resolutions passed—title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House.

House bill entitled an act to consolidate the office of Tax Assessor and Collector of Polk county,

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

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Abercrombie, Baker, Cottrell, Crawford, Hendry, Jordan, Oliveros, Owens, Richard, Rosseau, Steele, White, Whitehurst and Woodruff—16.

Nays—Messrs. Roper and Ross—2.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House.

House resolutions to amend and revise the practice and procedure of this State,

Was read the second time, and on motion of Mr. Abercrombie, the resolutions were indefinitely postponed.

House bill to locate permanently the county site of Brevard county, Was read the first time, rule waived, read the second time by its title, and on motion of Mr. Hendry, referred to a select committee consisting of Messrs. Bird, Hendry, Ross and Woodruff.

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

TUESDAY, January 9th, 1866.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

A quorum present.

The President in the Chair.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Mr. Steele rose to a question of privilege, to have his vote changed from No to Aye, on the bill to be entitled an act to provide for appeals from orders, decrees and judgments rendered during the late war, by the Courts of this State;

Which was granted.

Mr. Crawford, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, made the following report:

The Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred the enrolled resolution of the House requesting His Excellency, David S. Walker, Governor of this State, to exert himself to have restored to the people of Florida the time-honored right of trial by jury, and the writ of habeas corpus, and which was sent to the Senate for the signature of the Lieutenant Governor, have examined the same, and ask leave to report said resolution as incorrectly enrolled, and respectfully recommend that it be returned to the House for re-enrollment; also report as correctly enrolled,

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the city of Pensacola to issue bonds; also,

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Governor to negotiate a loan for the use of the State.

JOHN L. CRAWFORD, Chm'n.

Which was received and read.