

Senate resolution to go into an election of United States Senator; also,  
House resolution in reference to arming the Militia.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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

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

FRIDAY, December 29th, 1865.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

A quorum present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Notice was given of intention to introduce the following bills at some future day:

By Mr. Crawford:

A bill to be entitled an act to allow the same person to hold the office of Notary Public, Auctioneer and Port-Warden in the county of Wakulla.

By Mr. Morrison:

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

By Mr. Vann:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Pensacola and Georgia Railroad Company to sell and transfer the branch road from Live Oak to the Georgia line, and for other purposes.

The President read the following communication, viz:

SENATE CHAMBER,

Dec. 28, 1865.

Hon. W. J. KELLY,

President of the Senate:

SIR: By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Senate to appoint such clerks as are usual and may be necessary to transact the business of the Senate, I respectfully inform you that I

have this day appointed Mr. Hugh Archer to be Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

I have the honor to be, sir,

F. L. VILLEPIGUE,  
Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Crawford presented a petition from citizens of Wakulla county, praying the removal of the county site of said county;

Which was read, and on motion referred to the following special committee, viz: Messrs. Crawford, White and Evans.

The following communication was received from the House of Representatives:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Dec. 28, 1865. }

Hon. W. W. J. KELLY,

President of the Senate:

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

A bill to be entitled an act to prevent and punish trespass upon public lands of this State.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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

The Committee on Schools and Colleges made the following report, viz:

The Committee on Schools and Colleges, to whom was referred the bill to provide for the removal of the State Seminary, East of the Suwanee, from Ocala to Gainesville, beg leave to

#### REPORT:

That the advantages which are promised to the education of youth, by reason of the ready facilities of communication, a healthy location, and buildings, and a Faculty now occupied and engaged in instruction, present considerations of the first importance to the interests of the State. They therefore recommend the passage of the bill.

D. W. WHITEHURST, Ch'n.

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

The Committee on Engrossed Bills made the following report:

The Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred a bill

to be entitled an act concerning marks and brands of beef cattle, and for other purposes; and also,

A bill to be entitled an act to punish certain persons for marking, branding or killing unmarked cattle, and for other purposes therein mentioned, report the same as correctly engrossed.

J. H. ROPER, Ch'n.

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

Mr. Hendry, from a Select Committee, made the following report:

The Select Committee, to whom was referred a bill entitled An act to compel railroad companies to pay for all stock killed upon their roads, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report favorable and recommend its passage, and that your committee be discharged.

F. A. HENDRY, Ch'n.

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

The following communication was received from the House of Representatives:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Dec. 28, 1865. }

Hon. W. W. J. KELLY,

President of the Senate:

SIR: The House of Representatives has this day passed the following Senate bill, viz:

Joint resolution of the General Assembly of the State of Florida ratifying the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America relating to slavery.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Which was read, and the accompanying bill ordered to be enrolled.

The following communication was received from the House of Representatives:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Dec. 28, 1865. }

Hon. W. W. J. KELLY,

President of the Senate:

SIR: The House of Representatives has this day passed the following House bills, to wit:

House bill to be entitled An act to authorize the Circuit Court to grant license to build bridges, ferries and dams across streams not navigable; also,

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bill to be entitled An act to prescribe the manner of changing the names of persons.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

which was read, and the accompanying bills placed among the bills of the day.

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY.

bill to be entitled an act to compel railroad companies to pay for stock killed upon their roads,

was read a second time.

Abercrombie offered the following as an additional section to the bill:

Sec. 6. *Be it further enacted*, That the county of Escambia shall be exempt from the operations of this act.

Which was adopted, and the bill ordered to be engrossed for a second reading on to-morrow.

bill to be entitled An act to provide for the removal of the boundary east of the Suwanee from Ocala to Gainesville,

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

bill to be entitled An act to prevent and punish trespasses upon the public lands of the State,

was read the first time and ordered to be printed.

House resolution in relation to arming the militia of the State,

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

House bill to repeal An act consolidating the offices of Sheriff and Tax Assessor and Collector of Hernando County,

was read a second time and ordered for a third reading on to-morrow.

House bill entitled An act to authorize the Circuit Court to grant license to build bridges, ferries and dams across streams not navigable,

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

bill to be entitled An act concerning marks and brands of cattle, and for other purposes,

was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Ayes—Messrs. Baker, Bird, Brevard, Crawford, Curry, Evans, Gann, Gorrie, Hendry, Morrison, Oliveros, Pearce, Poe, Richard,

Per, Ross, Rosseau, Turner, White and Whitehurst—20.

Nays—Messrs. Abercrombie and Vann—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 punish certain persons for marking, branding or killing unmarked cattle and for other purposes therein mentioned,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Abercrombie, Brevard, Crawford, Curry, Evans, Finegan, Gorrie, Hendry, Jordan, Morrison, Oliveros, Pearce, Poe, Richard, Roper, Ross, Rosseau, Turner, White and Whitehurst.—20.

Nays—Mr. Vann—1.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House.

A Committee from the House appeared at the bar and informed the Senate that the House was ready to proceed to the election of Senators.

On motion, the Senate proceeded to the House.

The Senate having entered the Hall, by invitation of the Speaker the President took the chair. The President stated the object of the joint meeting was to elect Senators to the United States Senate from the State of Florida.

On motion of Mr. Brevard, the joint meeting proceeded to an election for a Senator, whose term expires the 3d March, of 1869.

The President announced that nominations were in order.

Mr. Bird nominated J. Patton Anderson.

Mr. Haddock nominated Wilk Call.

The vote was :

Senate—For Call—Messrs. Abercrombie, Brevard, Crawford, Curry, Evans, Finegan, Gorrie, Morrison, Oliveros, Poe, Richard, Roper, Ross, Steele, Vann, White and Whitehurst—17. In the House, 34. Total—51.

Senate—For Anderson—Messrs. Baker, Bird, Hendry, Jordan, Pearce, Rosseau and Turner—7. In the House, 14. Total—21. Blank—4.

The President announced Wilk Call to be duly elected United States Senator from Florida for the term which expires 3d of March, 1869.

On motion, the joint assembly proceeded to an election for a Senator to the United States Senate from the State of Florida for the term which expires 3d of March, 1867.

Nominations being declared in order,

Mr. White nominated Hon. B. D. Wright.

Mr. Maxwell nominated Hon. Wm. Marvin.

Mr. Sanford nominated Hon. James A. Wiggins.

Mr. Williams nominated Edward Hopkins.

Mr. Dickison nominated Hon. J. J. Finley.

The vote was :

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Senate—For Wright—Messrs. Abercrombie, Brevard, Crawford,  
 Gorrie, Morrison, Pearce, Poe, Ross, Vann and White—10. In the  
 House, 13. Total—23.

Senate—For Marvin—Messrs. Baker, Bird, Finegan, Jordan,  
 Richard, Roper and Whitehurst—7. In the House, 14. Total—

Senate—For Wiggins—Messrs. Curry, Hendry and Rosseau—3.  
 In the House, 5. Total—8.

Senate—For Hopkins—Messrs. Oliveros and Steele—2. In the  
 House, 11. Total—13.

Senate—For Finley—Mr. Turner—1. In the House, 9. Total  
 10.

Senate—For Blank—Mr. Evans—1.

The President announced that there was no election.

On motion, the Joint Assembly proceeded to another ballot.

The vote was:

Senate—For Wright—Messrs. Abercrombie, Brevard, Crawford,  
 Gorrie, Morrison, Pearce, Poe, Ross, Vann and White—10. In the  
 House, 14. Total 24.

Senate—For Marvin—Messrs. Bird, Evans, Finegan, Jordan, Rich-  
 ard, Roper and Whitehurst—7. In the House, 14. Total 21.

Senate—For Wiggins—Mr. Hendry—1. In the House, 2. To-  
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Senate—For Hopkins—Messrs. Currie, Oliveros, Rosseau and  
 Steele—4. In the House, 12. Total—16.

Senate—For Finley—Messrs. Baker and Turner—2. In the  
 House, 9. Total—11. In the House—Blank—1.

The President announced that there was no election.

Mr. Sandford withdrew the name of James A. Wiggins.

On motion, the Joint Assembly proceeded to another election.

The vote was:

In the Senate—For Wright—Messrs. Abercrombie, Brevard,  
 Crawford, Gorrie, Morrison, Pearce, Poe, Ross, Vann and White—  
 10. In the House, 13. Total—23.

In the Senate—For Marvin—Messrs. Baker, Bird, Evans, Fine-  
 gan, Hendry, Jordan, Richard, Roper and Whitehurst—9. In the  
 House, 13. Total—22.

Senate—For Hopkins—Messrs. Curry, Oliveros and Steele—3.  
 In the House, 16. Total—19.

Senate—For Finley—Messrs. Rosseau and Turner—2. In the  
 House, 9. Total—11. In the House—For Blank—1.

The President announced that there was no election.

On motion, the Joint Meeting took a recess till 4 o'clock P. M.

The Senate returned to their chamber.

On motion, the Senate took a recess till 10 minutes to 4 o'clock,  
 P. M.

## TEN MINUTES TO FOUR O'CLOCK

The Senate resumed its session.

The President in the Chair.

A quorum present.

Mr. Gorrie moved that a committee of three be appointed to inform the House that the Senate is now ready to proceed to the election of United States Senator,

Which was adopted.

The President appointed the following committee: Gorrie, Hendry and Steele.

The committee reported that they had performed the duty asked to be discharged.

A committee from the House appeared at the bar of the Senate and informed the Senate that the House was now ready to proceed to the election of United States Senator.

On motion, the Senate proceeded to the House.

The joint meeting resumed its session.

On motion, the joint meeting proceeded to the fourth ballot.

The vote was:

Senate—For Wright—Messrs. Abercrombie, Crawford, Gorrie, Morrison, Poe and White—7. In the House, 13. Total—20.

Senate—For Marvin—Messrs. Baker, Bird, Brevard, Jordan, Richard, Roper, Whitehurst and Woodruff—9. In the House, 17. Total—26.

Senate—For Hopkins—Messrs. Currie and Steele—2. In the House, 10. Total—12.

Senate—For Finley—Messrs. Oliveros, Pearce, Ross, B. Turner and Vann—6. In the House, 12. Total—18.

The President announced that there was no election.

On motion, the joint meeting proceeded to a fifth ballot.

Mr. Williams withdrew the name of Edward Hopkins.

The vote was:

Senate—For Wright—Messrs. Abercrombie, Crawford, Morrison, Pearce, Poe, Vann and White—7. In the House, 13. Total—20.

Senate—For Marvin—Messrs. Baker, Bird, Brevard, Evans, Hendry, Jordan, Richard, Roper, Steele, Whitehurst and Woodruff—11. In the House—20. Total—31.

Senate—For Finley—Messrs. Currie, Gorrie, Oliveros, Ross, B. Turner and Vann—6. In the House, 19. Total—25.

The President announced that there was no election.

On motion, the joint meeting proceeded to a sixth ballot.

The vote was:

Senate—For Wright—Messrs. Abercrombie, Crawford, Morrison, Poe and White—5. In the House, 9. Total—14.

ate—For Marvin—Messrs. Baker, Bird, Brevard, Evans, Hen-  
Jordan, Richard, Roper, Steele, Whitehurst and Woodruff—11.  
House, 22. Total—33.

ate—For Finley—Messrs. Curry, Gorrie, Oliveros, Pearce,  
Rosseau, Turner and Vann—8. In the House, 21. Total—

The President announced that there was no election.  
On motion, the joint meeting proceeded to a seventh ballot.

The vote was:  
Senate—For Wright—Messrs. Abercrombie, Morrison, Poe and  
White—4. In the House, 8. Total—12.

ate—For Marvin—Messrs. Baker, Bird, Brevard, Crawford,  
Hendry, Jordan, Richard, Roper, Steele, Whitehurst and  
Woodruff—12. In the House, 24. Total—36.

ate—For Finley—Messrs. Curry, Gorrie, Oliveros, Pearce,  
Rosseau, Turner and Vann—8. In the House, 20. Total—

The President announced that there was no election.  
Mr. White withdrew the name of the Hon. B. D. Wright.

Mr. Gorrie nominated the Hon. A. E. Maxwell.  
On motion, the joint meeting proceeded to an eighth ballot.

The vote was:  
Senate—For Marvin—Messrs. Baker, Bird, Brevard, Crawford,  
Hendry, Jordan, Morrison, Poe, Richard, Roper, Turner,  
Whitehurst and Woodruff—14. In the House, 29. Total—43.

Senate—For Finley—Messrs. Curry, Oliveros, Rosseau and Vann  
—4. In the House, 20. Total—24.

Senate—For Maxwell—Messrs. Abercrombie, Gorrie, Pearce,  
and Steele—5. In the House, 1. Total—6.

Senate—For Blank—Mr. White 1—In the House—2. Total—3.

The President announced that there was no election.  
On motion, the Joint Meeting proceeded to another ballot.

Mr. Gorrie withdrew the name of the Hon. A. E. Maxwell.

The vote was:  
Senate—For Marvin—Messrs. Abercrombie, Baker, Bird, Brevard,  
Crawford, Evans, Gorrie, Hendry, Jordan, Morrison, Poe, Richard,  
Roper, Steele, Turner, Whitehurst and Woodruff—17. In the  
House—32. Total—49.

Senate—For Finley—Messrs. Curry, Oliveros, Pearce, Ross, Ros-  
seau and Vann—6. In the House—18. Total—24.

Senate—For Blank—Mr. White 1. In the House—2. Total—3.

The President announced that the Hon. William Marvin, having  
received a constitutional majority, was duly elected to be a Senator  
from the State of Florida to the United States Senate to fill the  
term which expires the 3d of March, 1867.

On motion, the joint assembly adjourned.

The Senate returned to its chamber.  
On motion, the Senate adjourned till to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

SATURDAY, December 30, 1865.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.  
The President in the Chair.  
A quorum present.  
The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.  
Notice was given of intention to introduce the following bills at some future day, viz:  
By Mr. Ross:  
A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Governor to negotiate a loan for the use of the State.  
By Mr. Brevard:  
A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the purchase of a residence for the Governor of this State; and,  
A bill to be entitled an act providing for the removal from office for incapacity, misconduct or neglect of duty of certain officers in this State.  
By Mr. Rosseau:  
A bill to be entitled an act authorizing Judge Hines, of Suwannee county, to peddle in the counties of Suwannee and Lafayette.  
By Mr. Richard:  
A bill to be entitled an act to establish the records of Bradford county.  
Pursuant to previous notice, the following bills were introduced, viz:  
By Mr. Steele:  
A bill to be entitled an act to amend the several acts regulating pilotage on the St. Johns bar and river.  
By Mr. Vann:  
A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Pensacola & Georgia Railroad Company to sell and convey the Branch Road from Live Oak to the Georgia line, and for other purposes.  
On motion of Mr. Ross, leave of absence was granted to the Senator from Jefferson county until Wednesday next.  
Mr. Vann, from the Committee on all Subjects connected with the Colored Population of the State, made the following report:  
The Committee "on all subjects connected with the colored population of the State," to which was referred the message of His