

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

His Excellency, the Governor, bringing to the attention of the General Assembly the report of the Commission appointed by a resolution of the late Convention, "to examine and report to the next session of the General Assembly, for their action thereupon, the changes and amendments to be made to the existing statutes, and the additions required thereto, so as to cause the same to conform to the requisitions of the amended Constitution, and with reference especially to the altered condition of the colored race," &c., has had the same under consideration, and beg leave to

REPORT

The bills proposed by said Commission, for the consideration of the General Assembly, to the Senate, and suggest and recommend that they lie on the table, until the House, which now has them under consideration, shall have acted upon them, and its action be communicated to the Senate.

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. VANN, Chairman.

Which was read and concurred in.

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

The Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred a bill to be entitled an act providing additional compensation to the Judges of Circuit Courts of the State of Florida, beg leave to

REPORT:

That they have had the same under consideration, and respectfully recommend the accompanying bill as a substitute for the same.

T. W. BREVARD,

Chm'n Judiciary Committee.

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

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

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

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the removal of the State Seminary east of the Suwanee from Ocala to Gainesville, Florida; and,

A bill to be entitled an act to compel Railroad Companies to pay for all stock cattle killed upon their roads.

J. H. ROPER, Chm'n

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

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

The Committee on Enrolled Bills report the following resolutions as correctly enrolled, viz:

Joint resolutions ratifying the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to slavery.

JOHN L. CRAWFORD

Which was received and read.

The following communication was received from His Excellency the Governor:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Tallahassee, Dec. 28, 1861

To the Hon. PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE:

SIR: On the 26th inst., I had the honor to nominate for the concurrence of the Senate, certain persons as Port Wardens of the port of Jacksonville. On examination, I find the law directing nomination to be made to the General Assembly, and not to the Senate alone. You will therefore please return to me the communication.

Your obedient servant,

D. S. WALKER

Which was read, and the request therein made complied with.

A communication was received from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a communication from Col. Osborne, Commissioner of the Freedman's Bureau,

Which was read and referred to the Committee on all Subjects connected with the Colored Population of the State.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the removal of the Seminary east of the Suwanee from Ocala to Gainesville, Florida.

Was read the third time, and on motion laid upon the table for the present.

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

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Abercrombie, Baker, Bird, Crawford, Conner, Crenshaw, Finegan, Hendry, Jordan, Morrison, Oliveros, Poole, Roper, Ross, Rosseau, Steele, Turner, White and Woodruff.

Nays—Messrs. Brevard, Gorrie, Pearce, Vann and Walker.

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ered that the same be certified to the House.
Bill to be entitled an act providing additional compensation to
Judges of the Circuit Courts of the State of Florida,
as read a second time.

Ross moved to strike out the words "three thousand" and
"twenty-five hundred."
which was not agreed to.
Order that the bill be engrossed for a third reading on Mon-

Bill to be entitled an act to amend the several acts relating to
the St. Johns bar and river,
as read the first time and ordered for a second reading on Mon-

Bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Pensacola and Geor-
gia Railroad Company to sell and transfer the branch road from
Oak to the Georgia line, and for other purposes,
as read the first time and ordered for a second reading on
Monday.

Bill to be entitled an act to prescribe the manner of changing
names of persons,
as read the second time and ordered for a third reading on
Monday.

Bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Circuit Court to
grant license to build bridges, ferries and dams across streams not
navigable.
as read a second time and referred to the 'Judiciary Commit-

House bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act consolidating the
office of Sheriff and Tax Assessor and Collector of Hernando
County,
as read a third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:
Yeas—Messrs. Abercrombie, Baker, Bird, Brevard, Crawford,
Evans, Hendry, Jordan, Morrison, Oliveros, Pearce, Poe, Ri-
cher, Roper, Rossean, Steele, Turner, Vann, White, Whitehurst
and Woodruff—22.

Nays—Messrs. Gorrie and Ross—2.
The bill passed—title as stated.
Order that the same be certified to the House.

House resolution in relation to arming the militia,
as read the second time and ordered for a third reading on
Monday.

The rule being waived, Mr. Ross without previous notice, intro-
duced the following bill, viz:
Bill to be entitled an act to provide for the current expenses of
the State;

which was placed among the orders of the day.
On motion of Mr. Finegan, the Senate adjourned
10 o'clock, A. M.

MONDAY, January 1, 1866.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Notice was given of intention to introduce the following
some future day, viz:

By Mr. Steele:

A bill to debar the pleading of the statute of limitations
embrace a period of time mentioned therein, also,

A bill to give to the Probate Court of Duval County, Fla.,
all civil actions not exceeding three hundred dollars.

By Mr. Ross:

A bill to be entitled an act to fix the pay of the members
General Assembly.

Pursuant to previous notice the following bills were
viz:

By Mr. Steele:

A bill to repeal an act entitled an act to authorize
of the Circuit Court of Duval county to be held at Baldwin.

By Mr. Morrison:

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

By Mr. Rosseau:

A bill to be entitled an act to allow William Hines to
the counties of Suwannee and Lafayette.

By Mr. Crawford:

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

Mr. Steele offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a joint committee of three from each
House of Representatives concurring) be appointed to take
consideration, and make report by bill or otherwise, as early