

Nays—Messrs. Bird, Finegan, Gorrie, Haynes, Kenan, Oliveros, Owens, Richard, Rosseau, Steele, Turner, Vann and Williams—13.

So the bill did not pass.

A bill to be entitled An act to establish and organize a County Court for all county purposes,

Was read third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Bird, Brevard, Crawford, Finegan, Haynes, Kenan, Oliveros, Ownens, Richard, Ross, Rosseau, Steele, White, Whitehurst and Williams—16.

Nays—Messrs. Cottrell, Gorrie, Jordau, Roper, Turner and Vann—6.

Mr. Kenan moved to amend the title of the bill as follows :

A bill to be entitled An act to amend An act entitled An act to establish and organize a County Criminal Court, approved January 11, 1866.

Which was agreed to.

The bill passed, title as amended.

Mr. Kenan moved that a committee of three be appointed to convey the bill to the House ;

Which was agreed to.

The Chair appointed the following as such committee: Messrs. Bird, Williams and Ross.

After a short absence, the committee returned and reported they had performed their duty and asked to be discharged ;

Which was agreed to.

A bill to be entitled An act to provide for for the re-establishment of lost Treasury Certificates,

Was read third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Brevard, Cottrell, Crawford, Finegan, Gorrie, Haynes, Jordan, Kenan, Oliveros, Richard, Roper, Rosseau, Turner, Vann, White and Whitehurst—17.

Nays—None.

The bill passed—title as stated.

Ordered to be certified to the House.

A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of James B. Roberts,

Was read third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Brevard, Crawford, Finegan, Kenan, Oliveros, Roper, Rosseau, White, Whitehurst and Williams—10.

Nays—Messrs. Baker, Bird, Cottrell, Gorrie, Haynes, Jordan, Ross, Turner and Vann—9.

The bill passed—title as stated.

Ordered to be certified to the House.

A bill to be entitled An act requiring Sheriffs to keep regular dockets and for other purposes,

Was read second time, and placed among the orders of the day or to-morrow.

House bill to be entitled An act to compel Railroad Companies to pay for all stock killed on their respective roads,

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

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Bird, Brevard, Cottrell, Crawford, Finegan, Haynes, Jordan, Oliveros, Turner, White, Whitehurst and Williams—13.

Nays—Messrs. Gorrie, Kenan, Roper, Ross, Rosseau and Vann—6.

The bill passed—title as stated.

Ordered to be certified to the House.

The rules were waived to allow Mr. Brevard without previous notice to introduce the following :

A bill to be entitled An act to provide for the reimbursement of certain officers of the United States ;

Which was read first time, rule waived, read second time.

Mr. Vann offered the following amendment to the bill :

And provided further, That no money shall be paid to any one under this act until the said person shall have paid the same to the United States.

Mr. Brevard moved a call of the House ;

Which was answered, and the following members were absent :

Present—Messrs. Brevard, Cottrell, Crawford, Gorrie, Kenan, Oliveros, Richard, Roper, Ross, Rosseau, Turner, Vann, White, Whitehurst and Williams—15.

Absent—Messrs. Baker, Bird, Finegan, Haynes, Jordan, Morrison, Owens, Pearce, Poe and Steele—10.

A quorum present.

Mr. Brevard moved that a further call of the Senate to be dispensed with ;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Vann's amendment to the bill proposed was not agreed to.

Mr. Vann moved to refer the bill to the Committee on Finance and Accounts ;

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Brevard moved that the rule be waived and the bill read third time ;

Which was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Gorrie, the Senate adjourned till to-morrow 10 o'clock, A. M.

WEDNESDAY, December 12, 1866.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The Lieutenant-Governor in the Chair ;

A quorum present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.
The following communication was received from the House:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
December 11th, 1866. }

Hon. W. W. J. KELLEY,
President of the Senate:

SIR: I am directed to return to the Senate as incorrectly engrossed,

A senate bill to be entitled An act for the adoption of a child by John B. Griffin and his wife; also,

Senate bill to be entitled An act to amend an act entitled an act in relation to pilotage at the port of Key West, county of Monroe, approved December 23d, 1856.

Very Respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Which was read, and the bills ordered to be engrossed.

The Committee on Enrolled bills made the following report:

The joint standing Committee on Enrolled Bills report the following bills and resolution correctly enrolled, viz:

House bill to be entitled An act to amend the 35th section of an act entitled an act concerning wills, letters testamentary and letters of administration, and the duties of executors and administrators and Guardians, approved 20th November, 1828;

House bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Christabal Bravo and Michael Usina;

House bill to be entitled An act to repeal An act entitled An act to quiet titles and prevent unjust and vexatious litigation in the county of Escambia;

House bill to be entitled An act to authorize the corporate authorities of the city of Pensacola to issue change bills;

House bill to be entitled An act for the retailing of spirituous liquors in Walton county;

House bill to be entitled An act to prevent non-residents from hunting in the county of Suwannee; and

Joint resolution requesting the Governor to assign to the Supreme Court a room in the Capitol for conference.

JNO. L. CRAWFORD,
Ch'n Senate Committee.
T. R. COLLINS,
Ch'n House Committee.

Which was read.

The Committee on Propositions and Grievances made the following report:

The Committee on Propositions and Grievances to whom was referred

House bill to be entitled An act for the relief of the securities of E. J. Daniels, late Tax Assessor and Collector of Clay county;

House bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Robert T. Boyd, late Sheriff of Putnam county; also,

House bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Margaret A. Goff, have had the same under careful consideration and impartial investigation of the several bills, and they are constrained to report against the passage of said bills.

E. A. PEARCE, Ch'm.

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

The Committee on Engrossed Bills made the following report:

The committee on Engrossed Bills report the following bills as correctly engrossed:

A bill to be entitled An act to amend the act entitled An act to incorporate the Pen. & Ga. Railroad Co., approved January 8, 1853;

A bill to be entitled An act relative to vacancies in office.

A bill to be entitled An act to annul the County Criminal Court of Monroe county.

J. H. ROPER, Ch'n.

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

Mr. Jordan, from a select committee, made the following report:

The committee to whom was referred a petition for the relief of James W. Johnson, of Taylor county, have had the same under careful consideration and beg leave to respectfully

REPORT:

That they find in the Acts of 1863, Chapter 390, Act No. 7, that there are provisions made for the said James W. Johnson, in behalf of the widow Smith, a lunatic, and would recommend Mr. Johnson to apply to the Judge of the Circuit Court for the benefit of said widow Smith, a lunatic, as provided for by law.

EDW'D JORDAN, Ch'n.
B. F. OLIVEROS.
W. H. ROSSEAU.

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

A communication was received from the Comptroller:

Which was read, and on motion, referred to the Comptroller.

The following communication was received from the House:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
December 12, 1866. }

Hon. W. W. J. KELLEY,
President of the Senate:

SIR: The House of Representatives has passed:

Senate bill to be entitled An act to incorporate the Florida Canal, Inland and Transportation Company;

Senate bill to be entitled An act to authorize the sale of certain Escheated Lands therein mentioned; and,

Refused to pass, Senate resolution for the relief of Tax Collectors of this State.

Very Respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Which was read, and the bills requiring it, ordered to be enrolled.

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 amend an act to extend the time for collecting taxes in this State, approved Dec. 13, 1861, and for other purposes, have had the same under consideration and beg leave to

REPORT

The same back to the Senate with the following amendments, viz: In line 7, section 2, strike out the word "March" and insert the word "April" instead. In lines 30 and 31, strike out the word "Assessor" and insert the word "appraiser" instead. With these amendments the passage of the bill is earnestly recommended.

F. W. BREVARD, Ch'n,

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

The following communication was received from the House:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
December 11, 1866. }

Hon. W. W. J. KELLEY,

President of the Senate:

SIR: The House of Representatives has passed—

Senate bill to be entitled An act to alter and define the Southern boundary of Sumter county;

Senate bill to be entitled An act to provide for funding the interest due by the State, and for other purposes;

Senate bill to be entitled An act concerning railroads;

Senate resolution for the relief of Eliza Stewart; and

Refused to pass Senate bill to be entitled An act to provide for a code of the General and Public Statute Laws of this State; and,

Indefinitely postponed Senate bill to be entitled An act to amend an act, approved January 16, 1866, entitled an act to embody certain acts therein mentioned.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Clerk of the House of Representatives

Which was read, and the bills requiring it, ordered to be enrolled.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

A bill to be entitled An act to provide for the reimbursement of certain officers of the United States,

Was read third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Bird, Brevard, Cottrell, Crawford, Finegan, Gorrie, Jordan, Kenan, Morrison, Oliveros, Owens, Poe, Richard, Rosseau, Steele, Turner, White, Whitehurst and Williams—20.

Nays—Messrs. Pearce, Roper, Ross and Vann—4.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

Mr. Brevard moved, that a committee of three be appointed to convey the bill to the House;

Which was agreed to.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Brevard, Finegan and Rosseau.

The Committee after a short absence returned, reported they had performed their duty and asked to be discharged;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Crawford, from a Joint Committee, made the following report:

The Joint Standing Committee on Enrolled Bills report the following bill and resolution correctly enrolled, viz:

House bill to be entitled An act making appropriations for the expenses of the State Government for the fiscal year ending 31st October, 1867; and,

Joint resolution to be entitled a resolution relative to the pay of members and officers of the General Assembly.

JNO. L. CRAWFORD,
Chairman Senate Committee.
A PEELER,
Chairman House Committee

Which was read.

House resolution requesting the Governor to correspond with the President of the United States, on the subject of having Congress donate the arsenal at Chattahoochee to the State of Florida for a Penitentiary,

Was read and ordered to be returned to the House for correction, it not being properly engrossed.

House bill to be entitled An act supplementary to and to extend the provisions of An act entitled An act to incorporate the Lake City and Suwannee Railroad Company,

Was read third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Brevard, Cottrell, Crawford, Finegan, Gorrie, Haynes, Jordan, Kenan, Morrison, Oliveros, Owens, Pearce, Poe, Richard, Roper, Ross, Rosseau, Steele, Turner, Vann, White, Whitehurst and Williams—24.

Nays—None

The bill passed—title as stated.

Ordered to be certified to the House

House bill to be entitled An act for the relief of David A. Frier, late Tax Assessor and Collector of Alachua county and his securities,

Was read third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Brevard, Cottrell, Jordan, Morrison, Oliveos, Poc, Roper, Turner, Whitehurst and Williams—11.

Nays—Messrs. Bird, Crawford, Gorrie, Haynes, Kenan, Owens, Pearce, Richard, Ross, Rosseau, Steele and Vann—12.

On motion, Mr. Finegan was excused from voting.

The bill did not pass.

A committee from the House appeared and made the following communication :

That they were a committee on the part of the House to convey a communication to the Senate, received from the Comptroller to the House, and request the appointment of a similar committee on the part of the Senate to wait jointly on the Comptroller and inform him that he is required to issue warrants to the members and officers of the General Assembly in accordance with the Appropriation Act and General Appropriation Resolutions of January, 1866, now of force, and to learn definitely from said Comptroller what he proposes to do in the premises; and said joint committee to arrange such action to be taken by both Houses conjointly, as they may deem best in the premises.

The communication was received, concurred in and further consideration postponed for two hours.

The rule was waived and Mr. Ross moved that the Senator from 20th District be excused from further attendance in the Senate after to-day.

Which was agreed to.

House bill to be entitled An act to divide the county of Nassau and organize a new county to be called Stewart county.

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Finegan, Morrison, Oliveros and Williams—4.

Nays—Messrs. Baker, Bird, Brevard, Cottrell, Crawford, Gorrie, Jordan, Kenan, Owens, Pearce, Richard, Roper, Ross, Rosseau, Steele, Turner, Vann and Whitehurst—18.

The bill did not pass.

A bill to be entitled "An act to amend an act to extend the time for collecting Taxes in this State, approved December 13th, 1861, and for other purposes ;

Was read second time, and the amendments proposed by the Committee on the Judiciary adopted.

Mr. Ross moved to amend the bill by adding the following as an additional sections :

Section 5. *Be it further enacted*, That it shall be the duty of every employer for salary, hire, or part of proceeds of crops of persons liable to pay a poll or capitation tax in this State to make returns to the Tax Collector and Assessor, under oath, of the names of their employees, or laborers, and any employer failing or refusing so to do, shall himself be liable for the taxes of such employee and further may be proceeded against as for a misdemeanor, and on conviction,

tion, shall be fined not more than five hundred, nor less than twenty dollars, at the discretion of the jury.

Section 6. *Be it further enacted*, That the Tax Assessor and Collector be, and he is hereby authorized to serve upon any employer, land owner, merchant or other person employing labor, a notice in the nature of a writ of garnishment in the following form to wit :

STATE OF FLORIDA, }
County of _____ }

To A. B :

You are hereby notified that C. D., a person in your employ, (or returned by you as in your employ for the present year) is indebted to the State of Florida in the sum of _____ dollars for capitation or poll tax, and in the sum of _____ dollars for poll tax of this county ; now, therefore, you are hereby required to answer and return to me under oath, the amount due, or expected to be due from you to said employee, and you are further required to retain in your possession a sufficient portion of the wages or salary due from you to said employee, if any there be, or which may become due to him, to pay the said tax ; and to make payment of the same to me when you are indebted a sufficient amount to said employee to pay said tax, or any portion thereof.

[Signed,]

E. F.
Tax Assessor and Collector,
Of _____

Every employer upon whom such notice or garnishment shall be served shall obey the requirements of the same in all respects, and answer under oath to the same, and on failure or refusal so to do, he or she shall be personally liable, and their property for the amount of such tax ; and the above notice may, with like effect, be served upon any person whom the Tax Assessor and Collector shall have reason to believe is, or will be indebted to any delinquent tax payer of poll or capitation tax, and any amount paid to the Tax Assessor and Collector, under, and by virtue of such notice or garnishment, shall be good as a credit against the amount that may be due as salary or wages, or in any other manner, to such delinquent ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Cottrell moved, to strike out the third section of the bill ;

Which was agreed to.

The bill as amended, was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Crawford from a Joint Standing Committee made the following report :

The Joint Standing Committee on Enrolled Bills report the following bills correctly enrolled, viz :

Senate bill to be entitled An act in relation to the public printing ; and,

Senate bill to be entitled An act fixing a punishment for horse

stealing and robbery from the person.

JOHN L. CRAWFORD,
Ch'n Senate Committee.
T. R. COLLINS,
Ch'n House Committee.

Which was read.

House bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Robert T. Boyd, late Sheriff of Putnam county,

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

House bill to be entitled An act for the relief of the securities of E. J. Daniels, late Tax Assessor and Collector of Clay county,

Was read second time, rule waived, read third time by its title and further consideration postponed.

House bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Margaret A. Goff, Was read second time and indefinitely postponed.

A bill to be entitled An act requiring Sheriffs to keep a regular docket, and for other purposes,

Was read third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Brevard, Cottrell, Crawford, Finegan, Haynes, Jordan, Kenan, Morrison, Oliveros, Owens, Pearce, Poe, Richard, Ross, Rosseau, Steele, Turner, Vann, White, Whitehurst and Williams—21.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

Ordered to certified to the House.

A bill to be entitled An act relative to vacancies in office,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Brevard, Cottrell, Crawford, Finegan, Haynes, Jordan, Kenan, Morrison, Oliveros, Owens, Pearce, Poe, Richard, Ross, Rosseau, Steele, Turner, Vann, White, Whitehurst and Williams—20.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed—title as stated,

Ordered to be certified to the House.

A bill to be entitled An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Pensacola & Georgia Railroad Company, approved January 8th, 1853,

Was read third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Bird, Brevard, Cottrell, Crawford, Finegan, Haynes, Jordan, Kenan, Morrison, Oliveros, Owens, Pearce, Poe, Richard, Ross, Rosseau, Steele, Turner, Vann, White, Whitehurst and Williams—22.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

Ordered to be certified to the House.

A bill to be entitled An act to annul the County Criminal Court of Monroe county,

Was read third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Bird, Brevard, Cottrell, Crawford, Finegan, Haynes, Jordan, Kenan, Morrison, Oliveros, Owens, Pearce, Poe, Richard, Ross, Rosseau, Steele, Turner, Vann, White, Whitehurst and Williams—22.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

Ordered to be certified to the House.

The following communications were received from his Excellency, the Governor :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
December 11, 1866. }

Gentlemen of the Senate :

I respectfully nominate Francis Touart to be Harbor Master for the port of Pensacola, and Manuel Gonzalez and John Pearson to be Port Wardens for the same port.

DAVID S. WALKER,
Governor.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
December 12th, 1866. }

Gentlemen of the Senate :

I respectfully nominate Robert Heir and John P. Cole, to be cotton weighers for the city of Tallahassee.

Most respectfully,
D. S. WALKER,
Governor.

On motion, the Senate went into Executive session.

The nominations therein made were advised and consented to.

The injunction of secrecy was removed and the Senate resumed its session.

The following communication was received from the House :

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
December 12, 1866. }

Hon. W. W. J. KELLEY,

President of the Senate :

SIR :—The House of Representatives have passed House bill to be entitled An act to incorporate the St. Andrews Canal and Improvement Company ;

Senate bill to be entitled An act to amend the act entitled An act to incorporate the Pensacola & Georgia Railroad Company and for other purposes ;

Senate bill to be entitled An act to amend An act providing for

the incorporation of the Mexican Gulf Steamship and Indian Trading and Navigation Companies in Florida, approved 15th February, 1859;

Resolution relative to clearing out the Chipola river and the drainage of the swamp and overflowed lands on the same; also,

A resolution relative to clearing out the Ocklawaha river.

Very Respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Which was received, read and the bills requiring it ordered to be enrolled, and the House bill placed among the orders of the day.

House bill to be entitled An act to incorporate the St. Andrew's Canal and Improvement Company,

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

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Bird, Brevard, Cottrell, Crawford, Gorrie, Haynes, Jordan, Morrison, Oliveros, Owens, Pearce, Poe, Richard, Roper, Ross, Rosseau, Steele, Turner, Vann, White, Whitehurst and Williams—22.

Nays—Mr. Kenan—1.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered to be certified to the House.

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

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Senate resumed its session.

A quorum present.

The rule was waived, and Mr. Gorrie from the Committee on the Judiciary, made the following report:

The Judiciary Committee herewith returns to the Senate the bill entitled "An act to amend certain laws mentioned therein, relative to Executors, Administrators and Judges of Probate," which they have had for some time under careful examination, and inasmuch as some previous legislation of the present session of this General Assembly supersedes the propriety of some portions of the amendments of the acts it seeks to amend, the committee suggests the adoption of the following amendments to the bill, and, upon their adoption, recommend that the bill do pass, viz: Strike out the whole of the first section, after the enacting clause, and let the other sections take proper numerical order; also strike out all after the word "consecutively" in twenty-fourth line of section eleven down to the word "and" in twenty-seventh line of same section; also strike out all after the word "writings" occurring in divided syllables in lines three and four from bottom of said section; also in section three strike out all after the word "to" occurring in the thirteenth line from bottom of said section; and in section fifth strike out all after the enacting clause, down to the word "that" in the fourth line from the bottom thereof.

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

A bill to be entitled An act to amend certain laws mentioned therein relative to executors, administrators and Judges of Probate, Was read second time, the amendment recommended by the committee on the Judiciary adopted, and the bill as amended, ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Bird moved that a committee be appointed to proceed to the House, and request of the House to return to the Senate,

House bill to be entitled An act to amend and consolidate all the laws of the State of Florida in relation to attachments;

Which was agreed to.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Bird, Ross and Haynes.

The Committee after a short absence returned, and reported they had performed their duty, and asked to be discharged;

Which was agreed to.

A committee appeared from the House and notified the Senate that the House had refused to pass an act to establish and organize a County Criminal Court, approved January 11th, 1866.

The rules were waived and Mr. Kenan moved that a committee be appointed to wait on the House and request the return to the Senate of the House bill to be entitled An act to provide for the appointment of Conservators of the Peace and a County Court in the several counties of this State and for other purposes;

Which was agreed to.

And the Chair appointed Messrs. Cottrell, White and Morrison.

The committee returned after a short absence and reported they had performed their duty and asked to be discharged;

Which was agreed to.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the House bill passed over informally this morning, entitled An act for the relief of the securities of E. J. Daniels late Tax Assessor and Collector of Clay county.

And the bill was read third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Cottrell, Crawford, Finegan, Haynes, Jordan, Morrison, Oliveros, Owens, Richard, Roper, Ross, Rosseau, Turner, White, Whitehurst and Williams—16.

Nays—Messrs. Bird, Gorrie, Kenan and Pearce—4.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

Ordered to be certified to the House.

A committee appeared from the House and returned the House bills requested by the Senate and also informed the Senate that the House had passed the following:

Resolution requesting his Excellency, Andrew Johnson, to pardon Jefferson Davis, and requested the immediate action of the Senate.

The bills and resolution were received and the resolution placed among the orders of the day.

The Joint Standing Committee on Enrolled Bills made the following report:

The Joint Standing Committee on Enrolled Bills report the following bill and resolutions correctly enrolled, viz:

House bill to be entitled An act to extend the provisions of an act entitled an act in relation to contracts of persons of color, approved January 12th, 1866;

House bill to be entitled An act to repeal so much of the fifth section of the act entitled an act to incorporate the Tallahassee Rail Road Company, as requires a draw-bridge over the St. Marks river;

House bill to be entitled An act to amend an act to provide for the incorporation of towns and cities in this State;

House bill to be entitled An act to revive an act to incorporate a company to construct a Rail Road from St. Andrews Bay to some point on the line of Georgia or Alabama in West Florida; also,

A joint resolution of the General Assembly authorizing and requesting the Solicitor of the Southern Judicial Circuit to dismiss an indictment against Dr. A. S. Johnson of Polk county.

JNO. L. CRAWFORD,

Chairman Senate Committee,

A. PEELER,

Chairman House Committee.

Which was read.

Mr. Bird moved to reconsider the vote had on the House bill entitled An act to amend and consolidate all of the laws of the State of Florida in relation to attachments;

Which was not agreed to.

The rules were waived and Mr. Gorrie moved that the Senator from Jackson county be excused from attendance in the Senate after to-day;

Which was agreed to.

House resolution requesting his Excellency, Andrew Johnson, to pardon Jefferson Davis,

Was read first time, rule waived, read second time and referred to the Committee on Federal Relations,

The rules were waived and Mr. Kenan moved that the Sergeant at-Arms be excused from attendance in the Senate to-night;

Which was agreed to.

The rules were waived and Mr. Steele offered the following:

Resolution relative to copying the acts and resolutions of the present session.

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

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Bird, Cottrell, Crawford, Gorrie, Haynes, Kenan, Morrison, Oliveros, Owens, Pearce, Poc, Ross, Rosseau, Steele, Turner, Vann, Whitehurst and Williams—19.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

Ordered to be certified to the House.

The following communication was received from the House:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

December 12, 1866 }

Hon. W. W. J. KELLEY,

President of the Senate:

SIR:—The House of Representatives has this day passed:
A resolution requesting the Governor to correspond with the President of the United States on the subject of having Congress to donate the Arsenal at Chattahoochee to the State of Florida for a Penitentiary.

Very Respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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

On motion, the Senate adjourned till 10 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow.

THURSDAY, December 13, 1866.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The Lieutenant-Governor in the Chair.

A quorum present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

The following communication was received from the House:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

December 12, 1866. }

Hon. W. W. J. KELLEY,

President of the Senate:

SIR—The House of Representatives have this day passed:

Senate bill to be entitled An act requiring Sheriffs to keep a regular docket, and for other purposes;

Senate bill to be entitled An act to amend the act approved January 4th, 1866, to facilitate the collection of taxes and require the registration of grants and donations;

Senate bill to be entitled An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Pensacola and Georgia Railroad Company, approved January 8th, 1866;

Senate bill to be entitled An act to consolidate the offices of Probate Judge and that of Clerk of the Circuit Court of Monroe county; also,

Senate bill to be entitled An act to provide for the reimbursement of certain officers of the United States.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.