

Which was read and the accompanying resolution ordered to be enrolled.

On motion of Mr. Bradwell, the Senate went into Executive session on the appointment of Wm. A. McLean to be county Judge of Duval county. The appointment was confirmed.

The doors were opened.

On motion, the Senate took a recess till 4 P. M.

FOUR O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Senate resumed its sitting at 4 o'clock.

The President in the Chair.

A quorum present.

Mr. Hunt, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, reported back the bill to incorporate the Royal Oceanic Telegraph Company;

Which was read the second time, and ordered to be printed.

The following message was received from the Assembly:

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY, }
July 10th, 1868. }

HON. WILLIAM H. GLEASON, President of the Senate:

SIR: The Assembly has this day passed Senate joint resolution requesting the Governor to ask for the grant to the State, or for the use thereof, of the United States Arsenal at Chattahoochee. I am, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant.

WILLIAM FORSYTH BYNUM,
Clerk of the Assembly.

The following message was received from the Governor, and the Senate went into Executive session:

STATE OF FLORIDA, EXECUTIVE OFFICE, }
Tallahassee, July 10th, 1868. }

TO THE SENATE:

I hereby nominate the following named persons for the several offices designated, viz:

John C. Gibbs, to be Secretary of State.

Robert H. Gamble, to be Comptroller.

James D. Westcott, to be Attorney-General.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

HARRISON REED, Governor.

STATE OF FLORIDA, EXECUTIVE OFFICE, }
Tallahassee, Fla., July 10th, 1868. }

TO THE SENATE:

I hereby nominate the following persons for the offices severally designated, viz:

W. J. Purman, to be Solicitor for First Judicial Circuit.

Ansel Warrock, to be Solicitor for Third Judicial Circuit.

Eleazer K. Foster, Jr., to be Solicitor for Fourth Judicial Circuit.

J. W. Culpepper, to be Solicitor for Fifth Judicial Circuit.

Very respectfully,

HARRISON REED, Governor.

STATE OF FLORIDA, EXECUTIVE OFFICE, }
Tallahassee, Fla., July 10th, 1868. }

TO THE SENATE:

I hereby nominate the following persons for the several offices designated, viz:

George E. Wentworth, to be Sheriff of Escambia county.

William Kirk, to be County Judge of Escambia county.

Rollin A. Stearns, to be Clerk of Court for Escambia county.

John Varnum, to be Assessor of Taxes for Escambia county.

A. B. Putnam, to be Collector of Revenue for Escambia county.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

HARRISON REED, Governor.

The following appointments were confirmed:

W. J. Purman, to be Solicitor for First Judicial Circuit.

Ansel Warrock, to be Solicitor for Third Judicial Circuit.

J. W. Culpepper, to be Solicitor for Fifth Judicial Circuit.

George E. Wentworth, to be Sheriff of Escambia county.

William Kirk, to be County Judge for Escambia county.

Rollin A. Stearns, to be Clerk of Court for Escambia county.

John Varnum, to be Assessor of Taxes for Escambia county.

A. B. Putnam to be Collector of Revenue for Escambia county.

The consideration of the following appointments was postponed till to-morrow morning:

John C. Gibbs, to be Secretary of State.

Robert H. Gamble, to be Comptroller.

James D. Westcott, Jr., to be Attorney General.

Eleazer K. Foster, to be Solicitor for Fourth Judicial Circuit.

On motion, the Executive session was concluded and the doors opened.

On motion, the Senate adjourned.

SATURDAY, July 11th, 1868.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, at 10 A. M.

The President in the Chair.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The journal was read and approved.

Mr. Goss, chairman of Judiciary Committee, reported back Assembly bill fixing time for abolishing the relief ordinance, with a substitute, recommending that the substitute pass.

On motion of Mr. Knight, the rules were suspended, and the bill as substituted read second and third times and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—Messrs. Alden, Atkins, Bradwell, Crawford, Davidson, Goss, Ginn, Hunt, Knight, Krimminger, Meacham, McCaskill, Pearce, Purman, Smith, and Underwood—16.

Nays—None.

On motion of Mr. Knight, the Senate went into executive session.

The following nominations, laid over yesterday, were taken up:

John C. Gibbs, to be Secretary of State.

Robert H. Gamble, to be Comptroller.

James D. Westcott, to be Attorney General.

Eleazer K. Foster, to be Solicitor for Fourth Judicial Circuit.

The Senate confirmed the following:

John C. Gibbs, to be Secretary of State.

James D. Westcott, to be Attorney General.

In the case of Robert H. Gamble, nominated to be Comptroller, the President ruled that the Senate cannot entertain the proposition to confirm any person to office who is ineligible to hold office under the constitution. Under this ruling no further action was taken.

The consideration of the nomination of Eleazer K. Foster, to be Solicitor for Fourth Judicial Circuit, was postponed till Monday next.

It was resolved that in future all nominations for confirmation be read, and laid over one day, unless otherwise ordered by the Senate.

The following message was received from the Governor:

STATE OF FLORIDA, EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
TALLAHASSEE, July 10, 1868. }

TO THE SENATE:

I hereby nominate the following named persons for the several offices designated, viz:

Nathan D. Benedict, to be County Judge for St. Johns county.

Charles D. Lincoln, to be Clerk of Court for St. Johns county.

Charles E. Bohn, to be Sheriff for St. Johns county.

William Ward, to be Collector of Revenue for St. Johns county.

John B. Stickney, to be Assessor of Taxes for St. Johns county.

Very respectfully, &c.,

HARRISON REED, Governor.

STATE OF FLORIDA, EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
TALLAHASSEE, July 11, 1868. }

TO THE SENATE:

I hereby nominate the following named persons for the several offices designated, viz:

A. J. Clyatt, to be Judge of County Court for Levy county.

John Tyer, to be Sheriff for Levy county.

George S. Leavitt, to be Clerk of Court for Levy County.

Very respectfully, &c.,

HARRISON REED, Governor.

STATE OF FLORIDA, EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
TALLAHASSEE, July 11, 1868. }

TO THE SENATE:

I hereby nominate the following named persons for the several offices designated, viz:

Ozias Buddington, to be County Judge for Clay County.

Barney M. McRae, to be Clerk of Court for Clay County.

John W. Sullivan, to be Sheriff for Clay County.

Elijah C. Carter, to be Assessor of Taxes for Clay County.

Ryal B. Sullivan, to be Collector of Revenue for Clay County.

Very respectfully, &c.,

HARRISON REED, Governor.

These nominations were laid over till Monday next, under the resolution.

The executive session was concluded and the doors opened.

On motion of Mr. Alden, Captain J. Q. Dickinson was elected Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

On motion, the Senate took a recess till 4 P. M.

FOUR O'CLOCK P. M.

The Senate resumed its session.

The President in the Chair.

A quorum present.

Mr. Knight introduced a bill to be entitled an act to legalize the acts of the Judge of the Circuit Court of Suwannee Circuit, and for other purposes.

On motion of Mr. Knight, the rules were suspended, and the bill read first time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Goss, Chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary, reported back the bill entitled an act to transfer suits and proceedings in the late courts of this State to the courts organized under the present constitution, with a substitute, the passage of which he recommended.

The bill was read the second time with the substitute, and on motion of Mr. Mobley the substitute was adopted, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Mobley asked leave to introduce a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Tampa Bridge Company;

Which was read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

J. Q. Dickinson, Assistant Secretary, appeared at the bar of the Senate and took the oath of office.

Mr. Alden called up the following resolution, introduced by him on the 7th inst.:

WHEREAS, Certain members of this body have been guilty of drunkenness in public during its session; therefore,

Resolved, That this body regards this as an offence against its dignity, any repetition of which will be punished by censure, expulsion, or the proper constitutional method.

On motion of Mr. Knight, it was postponed for one week.

The Senate adjourned.

MONDAY, July 13th, 1868.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The journal was read and approved.

Mr. Alden introduced a bill to be entitled "An Act to organize the Southern Inland Navigation and Improvement Company."

The rules were suspended, and the bill read the first time by its title and ordered printed.

Mr. Smith, Chairman of Committee on Railroads, reported back the bill entitled "An Act to enable the purchasers of the Alabama and Florida Railroad to rebuild the same under the name of the Pensacola and Louisville Railroad Company," with a substitute as follows: A bill to be entitled An Act to incorporate the Pensacola and Louisville Railroad Company, the passage of which he recommended. The report was adopted, and, on motion of Mr. Goss, the bill and substitute were ordered printed.

Mr. Knight asked to be excused from further duty on the Committee on Finance and Taxation, and the President appointed Mr. McCaskill in his stead.

The Senate took a recess till 4 o'clock P. M.

FOUR O'CLOCK P. M.

The Senate resumed its sitting, the President in the chair:
A quorum present.

Mr. Meacham introduced a bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the service of civil process upon railroads in the State of Florida," which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. McCaskill asked leave to introduce the following joint resolution, which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance and Taxation:

WHEREAS, Alexander Gurley (colored) was indicted at the Spring Term of the Western Judicial Circuit Court for Santa Rosa county, in the year A. D. one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight (1868), for the offence of keeping a gaming house, and fined in the sum of two hundred (\$200) dollars; and whereas, said Alexander Gurley was proven to be wholly unable to pay said fine or the costs of the case, whereupon his Honor G. A. Stanley, Judge of said Circuit, remitted the costs; and whereas, by the report of the solicitor of said circuit, the Comptroller has charged the sheriff of said county with the amount of said fine; and whereas, the sheriff of said county will have to pay said fine out of his own private funds, unless relieved by the Legislature,

Be it therefore resolved by the people of Florida in Senate and Assembly convened, That A. B. Dixon, sheriff of Santa Rosa county, be, and he is hereby, relieved of the payment of said two hundred (\$200) dollars, and that the Comptroller of the State be and he is hereby ordered to cancel said charge against said sheriff.

On motion of Mr. Knight, the vote ordering the bill and substitute relative to the Alabama and Florida Railroad printed, was reconsidered, and the substitute alone was ordered printed.

On motion the Senate went into executive session.

The Executive nominations laid over from Saturday were taken up, and the following were confirmed:

Nathan D. Benedict, to be County Judge of St. Johns county.

Charles D. Lincoln, to be Clerk of Court of St. Johns county.

Charles E. Bohn, to be Sheriff of St. Johns county.

William Ward, to be Collector of Revenue of St. Johns county.

John B. Stickney, to be Assessor of Taxes of St. Johns county.

Ozias Buddington, to be County Judge of Clay county.

Barney M. McRae, to be Clerk of Court of Clay county.

John W. Sullivan, to be Sheriff of Clay county.

Elijah C. Carter, to be Assessor of Taxes of Clay county.

Ryal B. Sullivan, to be Collector of Revenue of Clay county.