

Article 1, constitutional amendments, in reference to the pay of members of the Legislature, to the members of the *present session* ;

Which was read, and, on motion, adopted.

Mr. Pearce, by permission, introduced Senate Bill No 5, to be entitled An act to incorporate Brown's Theological Institute ;

Which was read first time by title and referred to Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Billings, by permission, introduced Senate Bill No. 6, to be entitled An act to incorporate the Fernandina and Sea Beach Railway Company ;

Which was read first time by title and referred to Committee on Corporations.

Also, Senate Bill No. 7, to be entitled An act to fix the Rates of Pilotage ;

Which was read first time by title and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Henderson moved that the Committee on Claims be required to report what legislation, if any, is necessary to provide for the payment of the Acting States' Attorney of the 4th Judicial Circuit of Florida, commensurate with the service rendered ;

Which was agreed to.

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

TUESDAY, January 9.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Senator Locke in the chair.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The roll was called, and the following Senators answered to their names :

Messrs. Adams, Atkins, Billings, Crawford, Dennis, Eagan, Ginn, Henderson, Hill, Hillyer, Jenkins, Johnson, Kendrick, McKinnon, Meacham, Moragne, McCaskill, Pearce, Weeks, Wentworth, and Sutton—21.

Mr. Wentworth moved that Senator Locke be requested to act as chairman until the return of Lieutenant-Governor Day ;

Which was agreed to.

On motion, the reading of the journal was dispensed with, and the journal approved.

Mr. Henderson moved that the Rules and Orders, as printed in the journal, be stricken out.

Mr. Jenkins moved as an amendment, that the words " Rules

and" in the motion of Mr. Wentworth, as reported in the journal of the 5th inst., be also stricken out;

Which was agreed to.

The original motion as amended was put, and agreed to.

Mr. Wentworth offered the following :

Resolved, That a Committee on Fisheries be made one of the standing committees of the Senate;

Which was, on motion, adopted.

Mr. Eagan offered the following :

Resolved, That that portion of the message of the Governor, which refers to the disorder in Taylor and Lafayette counties, be referred to a select committee of three, with instructions to report as soon as possible some measure of relief and security for life and property in these counties.

Mr. Henderson offered as a substitute :

Resolved, That so much of the Governor's message as refers to existing violence and lawlessness, and violence in the present or past, in the several counties of this State, be referred to a committee of three, with instructions to report :

1st. The truth or falsity of the same.

2d. The causes and circumstances of any such violence.

3d. The adequacy of existing laws to the prevention of any such acts.

4th. The efficiency of the officers of the law.

5th. The necessity for other, and if so, what legislation.

The substitute was accepted, and the yeas and nays were called on its adoption, with the following result :

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams, Atkins, Billings, Crawford, Dennis, Eagan, Ginn, Henderson, Hill, Hillyer, Jenkins, Kendrick, McKinnon, Meacham, Moragne, McCaskill, Pearce, Purman, Weeks, Wentworth, and Sutton—21.

Mr. Johnson voting in the negative.

So the substitute was adopted.

Mr. Kendrick, by permission, introduced Senate Bill No. 8, to be entitled An act to authorize Julius C. Rockner to build a Toll Bridge across Pease Creek;

Which was read first time, and on motion, referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Purman, by permission, offered Senate Bill No. 9, to be entitled An act to authorize the Circuit Courts in this State to Change the Names of Persons residing therein;

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

Also, Senate Bill No. 10, to be entitled An act to authorize Attorneys to Administer Oaths;

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

A message was received from the Governor.

Mr. Henderson, by permission, introduced Senate Bill No. 11, to be entitled An act relating to the Service of Writs of *Scire Facias* and other Writs;

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

Mr. Wentworth called up Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1; that the Legislature adjourn *sine die* on Saturday the 27th January, at one o'clock p. m.

The yeas and nays were called with the following result:

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams, Atkins, Crawford, Dennis, Ginn, Henderson, Hill, Kendrick, McKinnon, Moragne, McCaskill, Weeks, and Wentworth—13.

Those voting in the negative were—

Messrs. Billings, Eagan, Hillyer, Jenkins, Johnson, Locke, Meacham, Pearce, Purman, and Sutton—10.

So the resolution was adopted, and the Secretary was ordered to certify the same to the Assembly.

Mr. Meacham, by permission, offered the following:

Resolved, That that portion of the Governor's message referring to homesteads to actual settlers on the public domain, be referred to a committee of three.

Mr. Wentworth moved as an amendment, that the reference be to the Committee on Public Lands.

The amendment was accepted, and the resolution as amended was adopted.

Mr. Purman offered the following:

Resolved, That so much of the Governor's message as declares that greater quiet and less violence have prevailed in Jackson county since the appointment of Democratic office-holders there, contrary to the wishes of the majority of voters therein, than prevailed there within the previous quarter of a century; and that as a consequence, the most orderly and quiet election known in many years was held there on the 19th of December last; and wherein he declares that "at last the wisdom of the course taken (see appointment of Democrats to all the offices in a largely Republican county, as demonstrated at that most orderly and quiet election on the 19th ult.,) seems to be fairly vindicated, be referred to a special committee of five.

Mr. Henderson moved as an amendment, that the committee

be instructed to report on the truth or falsity of the Governor's statements.

Mr. McCaskill moved that the whole matter be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Purman rose to withdraw his resolution :

Mr. McCaskill made the point of order, that the resolution having been seconded and debated, was the property of the Senate, and could not be withdrawn without consent of the Senate.

The Chair ruled, that the Senate not having taken any action on the resolution, the mover of it could withdraw it.

Mr. Purman withdrew it, and offered the following :

Resolved, That if it was wisdom, as his His Excellency declares, to appoint Democratic office-holders in Jackson county, it is still a greater amount of wisdom to appoint such political office-holders in all the counties of this State.

Mr. McCaskill moved that the resolution be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Purman withdrew the resolution.

The following messages were received from the Assembly :

ASSEMBLY HALL,

Tallahassee, Fla., January 9, 1872.

Hon. SAMUEL T. DAY, President of the Senate:

SIR: I am directed by the Assembly to inform the Senate that the Assembly has passed Assembly Bill No. 1, a bill to be entitled An act to facilitate the Cash Payment of the Current Expenses of the State Government and the Funding of Recognized Comptroller's Warrants and Treasurer's Certificates.

Very respectfully,

M. H. CLAY,

Clerk of the Assembly.

ASSEMBLY HALL,

Tallahassee, Fla., January 9, 1872.

Hon. SAMUEL T. DAY, President of the Senate:

SIR: I am directed by the Assembly to inform the Senate that the Assembly has passed Assembly Concurrent Resolution suspending the Cancellation of Greenback Scrip.

Also:

Assembly Joint Resolution appointing a Committee to visit State Prison.

Also:

Memorial to the Postmaster-General of the United States asking for an increase of Mail Service from Mellonville to Orlando.

Very respectfully,

M. H. CLAY,

Clerk of the Assembly

ASSEMBLY HALL,
Tallahassee, Fla., January 9, 1872.

Hon. SHMUEL T. DAY, President of the Senate:

SIR: I am directed by the Assembly to ask for and obtain all bills sent from the Assembly to the Senate at the last regular session which were not acted upon by the Senate.

Very respectfully,

M. H. CLAY,
Clerk of the Assembly.

Which were read, and the accompanying bills and resolutions placed among the orders of the day.

The rule was suspended, and Assembly Bill No. 1 was taken up, read first time, and referred to Committee on Finance and Taxation.

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 1 was read and referred to Committee on Finance and Taxation.

Assembly Joint Resolution on State Prison was read.

Mr. Wentworth moved to amend by increasing the committee to five, two from the Senate, and three from the Assembly.

The amendment was agreed to, and the Secretary ordered to certify the same to the Assembly.

The memorial for increased mail service from Mellonville to Orlando was read, and the yeas and nays were called for on its adoption, with the following result:

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams, Atkins, Crawford, Dennis, Eagan, Ginn, Henderson, Hill, Hillyer, Jenkins, Johnson, Kendrick, McKinnon, Meacham, Moragne, McCaskill, Pearce, Purman, Weeks, Wentworth, and Sutton—21.

Those voting in the negative—none.

So the memorial was adopted, and the Secretary ordered to certify the same to the Assembly.

Mr. Pearce, chairman of the Committee on State Affairs, made the following report:

Hon. S. T. DAY, President of the Senate:

SIR: Your committee, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 2, report they have examined Senate Bill No. 2 and recommend its passage.

Very respectfully,

C. H. PEARCE, Chairman,
J. A. ATKINS,
H. JENKINS,
LIBERTY BILLINGS,
N. H. MORAGNE.

The accompanying bill, Senate Bill No. 2, to be entitled an act to repeal section 4 of an act entitled An act to incorporate

the Gulf Steamship Company and to Perfect the Public Works of the State, approved February 19, 1870, was read second time by title, under suspension of the rule, and ordered engrossed for its third reading to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Wentworth, the Senate went into Executive session.

The doors were opened.

Mr. Wentworth offered the following concurrent resolution :

Resolved by the Senate, (the Assembly concurring,) That our Senators and Representative in Congress be, and they are hereby, requested to urge upon the Congress of the United States the necessity of an appropriation for clearing out and rendering navigable the Choctawhatchee River from its mouth to Geneva, Alabama.

Be it further resolved, That the Secretary of State be, and he is hereby, directed to forward a copy of this resolution to each of our Senators and Representative in Congress at an early day ;

Which was read.

The yeas and nays were called on its adoption, with the following result :

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams, Atkins, Billings, Crawford, Dennis, Eagan, Ginn, Henderson, Hill, Hillyer, Jenkins, Johnson, Kendrick, McKinnon, Meacham, Moragne, McCaskill, Pearce, Purman, Weeks, Wentworth, and Sutton—22.

Those voting in the negative—none.

So the resolution was adopted, and the Secretary was ordered to certify the same to the Assembly.

On motion, the Senate took a recess till 4 o'clock p. m.

FOUR O'CLOCK P. M.

The Senate resumed its session.

The President in the chair.

The roll was called, and the following Senators answered to their names :

Messrs. Adams, Billings, Crawford, Eagan, Ginn, Hill, Hillyer, Johnson, Locke, McKinnon, Meacham, Moragne, McCaskill, Pearce, Purman, Sutton, Weeks and Wentworth—18.

Mr. Locke introduced Senate Bill No. 12, to be entitled An act to protect Cattle owners, and more fully secure a record of Marks and Brands ;

Which was read first time by title under suspension of rules, and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Meacham introduced Senate Bill No. 13, to be entitled An act to add two sections to an act entitled An act in relation to the records of the offices of the Comptroller of Public Accounts and State Treasurer, approved December 10, 1866, and making it a felony to violate the provisions thereof;

Which was read first time by title, under suspension of rules, and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Wentworth called up Senate Bill No. 1, to be entitled An act to provide for the registration of election and holding of elections;

Which was read first time by title, and referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Mr. Eagan, chairman of Committee on Finance and Taxation, made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Tallahassee, Jan. 9, 1872.

To the President of the Senate:

SIR: Your committee, to whom has been referred Assembly concurrent resolution, No. , suspending the cancellation of greenback scrip, beg leave to report that we have carefully examined the same and recommend its passage.

Very respectfully,

D. EAGAN, Chairman.
A. L. McCASKILL,
JOHN L. CRAWFORD,
J. W. LOCKE.

Which was read and the resolution laid over for future consideration.

Also, the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Tallahassee, January 9, 1872.

To the President of the Senate:

Your committee, to whom was referred Assembly Bill No. 1; An act to facilitate the Cash Payment of the Current Expenses of the State Government and the Funding of Recognized Comptroller's Warrants and Treasurer's Certificates, beg leave to report, that we have carefully examined the same, and recommend its passage. Very respectfully,

D. EAGAN, Chairman.
A. L. McCASKILL,
JNO. L. CRAWFORD,
J. W. LOCKE.

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

Mr. Purman, Chairman of Committee on Corporations, made the following report:

To the President of the Senate :

Your Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the following bills of the Senate :

Senate Bill No. 5, entitled a bill to Incorporate Brown's Theological Institute ; and

Senate Bill No. 6, entitled a bill to amend an act entitled An act to Incorporate the Fernandina and Sea Beach Railway Company, having had the same under consideration, beg leave to report in favor of the passage of the same.

Very respectfully,

W. J. PURMAN, Chairman.

FREDERICK HILL,

ARTHUR GINN.

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

On motion of Mr. Billings, Senate Bill No. 6, to be entitled An act to amend an act to Incorporate the Fernandina and Sea Beach Railway Company, was taken up on its second reading.

On motion of Mr. Wentworth, it was postponed till to-morrow.

Senate Bill No. 5, to be entitled An act to incorporate Brown's Theological Institute, was taken up and read second time by sections, and placed among the orders of the day for its third reading to-morrow.

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

WEDNESDAY, January 10, 1872.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

Prayer by the chaplain.

The roll was called, and the following Senators answered to their names :

Messrs. Adams, Atkins, Billings, Crawford, Dennis, Egan, Ginn, Henderson, Hill, Hillyer, Jenkins, Johnson, Kendrick, Locke, McKinnon, Meacham, Moragne, McCaskill, Pearce, Purman, Sutton, and Wentworth—22.

A quorum present.

The reading of the journal was dispensed with, and the journal corrected and approved.

The President read the following :

TALLAHASSEE, January 9, 1872.

HON. SAMUEL T. DAY, President of the Senate :

SIR : I respectfully request that you will have the enclosed