

at the rate of \$25 per month, \$375; recommend that each House agree thereto.

Respectfully submitted,

HORATIO JENKINS,  
Chairman of Senate Committee.  
JOHN W. BUTLER,  
Chairman of Assembly Committee.

Mr. Wentworth moved that when the Senate adjourn, it shall adjourn till 8½ a. m. Monday;

Which was agreed to.

The following enrolled bills were signed by the President and Secretary and conveyed to the Assembly:

Concurrent Resolution Relative to Certain mail Routes;

An act to amend An act for the Protection of Agricultural Laborers, approved February 1, A. D. 1870;

An act to Provide for the Publication and Distribution of the Laws and Journals of the Legislature;

An act to amend sections 1 and 5 of an act entitled An act to Incorporate the Pensacola and Perdido Railroad Company, approved August 6, A. D. 1868;

An act Defining the Interest the Wife shall take in Her Husband's Property.

Mr. McKinnon moved that the Senate do now adjourn.

The yeas and nays were called for, with the following result:

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams, Atkins, Crawford, Egan, Ginn, Jenkins, McKinnon, McCaskill, Pearce, Sutton and Wentworth—11.

Those voting in the negative were—

Messrs. Dennis, Kendrick, Locke, Meacham and Purman—5.

So the Senate adjourned till Monday at 8½ a. m.

MONDAY, February 19, 1872.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President *pro tem.* in the chair.

Prayer by Bishop Pearce.

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

Messrs. Adams, Atkins, Crawford, Dennis, Egan, Ginn, Hill, Hillyer, Jenkins, Kendrick, Locke, McKinnon, Meacham, McCaskill, Pearce, Sutton and Wentworth—16.

A quorum present.

The reading of the journal was dispensed with.

Mr. Hillyer, chairman of Committee on Enrolled Bills, made the following report :

SENATE CHAMBER,  
Tallahassee, Fla., February 19, 1872.

HON. LIBERTY BILLINGS, President *pro tem.* of the Senate :

SIR: Your committee, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. —, An act for the Assessment and Collection of Revenue in this State;

Also:

Substitute for Senate Bill No. 1:

An act to amend An act to Provide for the Registration of Electors and the Holding of Elections, approved August 6, 1868, beg leave to report that they have examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

C. V. HILLYER, Chairman,  
ARTHUR GINN,  
A. D. MCKINNON.

The following enrolled bills were signed by the President and Secretary, and conveyed to the Assembly:

An act for the Assessment and Collection of Revenue in this State;

An act to amend An act to Provide for the Registration of Electors and the Holding of Elections, approved August 6, 1868;

An act entitled An act Making Appropriations for Defraying the Expenses of the State Government for the Year 1872.

Assembly Bill No. 116:

An act to amend the Act to Perfect Public Works,  
Was read first time by its title.

Mr. Wentworth moved that the rules be waived and the bill read second time.

The rules were waived, and the bill was read second time by sections.

Mr. Wentworth moved that the rules be suspended and the bill be read the third time.

The rules were suspended, and the bill placed on its third reading, read at large, and put upon its passage.

Upon the question, Shall the bill pass?

The yeas and nays were called for, with the following result:  
Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams, Atkins, Crawford, Dennis, Ginn, Henderson, Hill, Jenkins, Kendrick, Locke, McKinnon, Meacham, McCas-kill, Pearce, Purman, Sutton and Wentworth—17.

Mr. Eagan voting in the negative.

So the bill passed, title as stated, and the Secretary was directed to certify the same to the Assembly.

Mr. Meacham offered the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That a committee of three be appointed to proceed to the House and inquire from the proper officer what has become of Senate Bill No. 48, and report to this Senate.

The Chair appointed as such committee, Messrs. Meacham, Locke and Crawford.

Mr. Locke offered the following:

*Whereas*, He was absent upon an important Committee of Conference when Assembly Bill No. 83 was taken up and passed; and whereas he had as member of the Committee of Commerce and Navigation, made the minority report against the passage of said bill, he be allowed to move a reconsideration of said vote;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Locke moved the reconsideration of the vote on the passage of said bill.

The yeas and nays were called for, with the following result:

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Crawford, Eagan, Ginn, Henderson, Hill, Jenkins, Locke, Meacham, McCaskill, Pearce and Purman—11.

Those voting in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams, Atkins, Kendrick, McKinnon, Sutton and Wentworth—6.

So the the vote was reconsidered.

## HIGH COURT OF IMPEACHMENT.

The hour of 9 a. m. having arrived the Court resolved itself into a High Court of Impeachment.

THREE-QUARTERS PAST TEN O'CLOCK A. M.

The Senate resumed its session.

Message from the Assembly:

ASSEMBLY HALL,

Tallahassee, Fla., February 19, 1872.

Hon. LIBERTY BILLINGS, President *pro tem.* of the Senate:

SIR: I am directed to inform you that the Assembly has adopted—

Assembly joint resolution authorizing the appointment of a financial commission.

Very respectfully,

M. H. CLAY,  
Clerk of Assembly.

Signing of enrolled bills.

The President and Secretary signed the following enrolled bills, and conveyed the same to the Assembly:

An act to Incorporate the Riverside Land and Improvement Company.

An act to Incorporate the Germania Fire Company No. 1, of Pensacola.

An act to Incorporate the Ocklockonee Railroad Company.

An act to Incorporate the Independent Fire Company No. 1, of Palatka, Florida.

An act Allowing the Voters of the Several Counties in this State to Locate their Respective County Sites.

An act Relating to Insurance Companies.

An act to Incorporate the Lake Wimico and St. Joseph's Bay Canal and Navigation Company.

An act of Limitation in Civil Suits.

An act Providing for the Distribution of the Supreme Court Reports.

Joint Resolution.

An act to Quiet Tax Titles to Lands.

An act entitled An act to Commute Punishment in Capital Cases.

An act to Incorporate the Planters' Loan and Banking Association.

An act to Alter and Amend Sec. 9 of an act entitled an act for the Regulation of Pilots and Pilotage, and also to Alter and Amend Sec. 10 of a Bill entitled a Bill to Amend an act entitled An act for the Regulation of Pilots and Pilotage.

An act entitled An act with Reference to Warrants and Certificates Issued Prior to January 1, 1868.

An act entitled An act for the Relief of Benjamin Saxon.

An act Relating to the Duties of Sheriffs and their Deputies.

An act entitled An act to Protect any Property Legally Held and Possessed on Unsurveyed Lands Belonging to the Government of the United States.

An act to Provide for the Distribution of the Statutes of this State.

An act entitled An act to Locate the County Site of Brevard County.

An act to Alter and Amend Secs. 12, 13, 14, of an act approved Aug. 6, 1868, entitled An act to Provide for Organizing and Disciplining the Militia of the State.

An act to Amend the act to Perfect the Public Works of this State.

Mr. Hillyer, chairman of Committee on Enrolled Bills, made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,  
Tallahassee, Fla., February 17, 1872.

Hon. LIBERTY BILLINGS, President *pro tem.* of the Senate:

SIR: Your committee, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 61, entitled An act Relating to Insurance Companies, having examined the same find it corrected enrolled.

Very respectfully,

C. V. HILLYER, Chairman.  
L. G. DENNIS,  
ARTHUR GINN,  
A. D. MCKINNON.

Mr. Purman, Chairman Special Committee, made the following report:

TALLAHASSEE, FLA., February 17, 1872.

*To the Legislature of the State of Florida:*

The undersigned, a Joint Committee of the Legislature, appointed under authority of the following concurrent resolution of January 20, 1871: "*Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That a Joint Committee of three from the Assembly and two from the Senate be appointed and they are hereby authorized and directed to proceed to the office of the Treasurer of the State and inspect, examine and compare the books, files and accounts and records of the same, and to cancel and destroy all Comptroller's warrants and Treasurer's certificates that may have been received and on file in said office, excepting warrants issued under the act approved February 18, 1870, known as greenback scrip, and said committee shall make a full report to the Legislature of the accounts and condition of the Treasurer's office, and the numbers and amount of the warrants and scrip that may have been cancelled and effectually destroyed by authority of this resolution,*" beg leave to report that immediately after the adjournment of the last session of the Legislature they entered upon the discharge of their duty and labored in the Treasurer's office in the performance of the duty assigned them for the period of twenty-one days, after which the committee adjourned and met again at the commencement of the present session of the Legislature.

Your committee have closely and critically compared and verified the Comptroller's warrants and Treasurer's certificates received in the office of the Treasurer during the term of office of the present incumbent, Hon. S. B. Conover, for the years 1868, 1869, 1870, 1871 and for January, 1872, and find them to correspond with the entries in the books of the said office.

The following is a statement of the several amounts received under the various heads of expenditure in the office of the Treasurer, and the warrants and certificates of which were cancelled

by the Treasurer as prescribed by law, and destroyed by your committee, who witnessed their destruction by fire :

## STATEMENT—1868.

On account	Executive Department.....	\$ 5,972 80
"	Judicial Department.....	5,295 89
"	Expenses first session Legislature.....	51,385 51
"	Treasury certificates redeemed.....	16,406 19
"	Criminal prosecutions.....	7,543 86
"	Jurors and Witnesses.....	1,769 56
"	Census of 1867.....	124 00
"	Schools for freedmen.....	558 00
"	Contingent expenses Circuit Court.....	105 86
"	Contingent expenses Supreme Court.....	344 20
"	Contingent expenses State.....	3,611 24
"	Contingent fund for Governor.....	2,940 53
"	Post Mortem Examinations.....	177 25
"	Miscellaneous printing and publishing laws.....	2,144 17
"	Expenses 13th General Assembly.....	80 00
"	Expenses registration, &c.....	60 00
"	Repairs of Capitol.....	166 25
"	Interest State Debt.....	192 00
"	Convention of 1867, (certificates,).....	1,935 00
"	School Fund Interest.....	914 91
"	Indian Hostilities for 1849.....	1,343 44
		\$103,070 68

## 1869.

On account	Preparing Code Civil Practice.....	\$ 1,000 00
"	Preparing Digest Laws of Florida.....	2,000 00
"	School Fund.....	251 91
"	School for freedmen.....	176 00
"	Seminary Fund Register's salary.....	637 50
"	West Florida Seminary Fund, Interest.....	5,829 72
"	East Florida Seminary Fund, Interest.....	2,200 00
"	Common Schools.....	4,213 80
"	Bureau of Immigration.....	3,710 11
"	Public Lands.....	20 00
"	Salaries Executive Department.....	17,928 13
"	Salaries Judicial Department.....	46,493 37
"	Salaries Military Department.....	1,875 00
"	Expenses first session 15th Legislature.....	12,714 41
"	Expenses second session 15th Legislature.....	47,934 62
"	Expenses Extra Session 1868.....	203 75
"	Expenses Extra Session 1869.....	5,972 45
"	Expenses 13th General Assembly.....	110 80
"	Expenses Boards Registration, &c.....	1,605 00
"	Expenses Presidential Electors.....	253 80
"	Expenses Penitentiary.....	12,968 84
"	Expenses Collection of Revenue.....	270 04
"	Convention Certificates.....	43,579 22
"	Interest State Debt.....	13,118 72
"	Criminal Prosecutions.....	67,150 29
"	Repairs of Capitol.....	753 29
"	Jurors and Witnesses.....	15,086 47
"	Contingent Expenses Circuit Court.....	2,863 23

On account	Contingent Expenses Supreme Court.....	2,215 47
"	Contingent Expenses State.....	14,270 78
"	Contingent Fund for Governor.....	3,250 32
"	Post Mortem Examinations.....	873 04
"	Miscellaneous Printing, and Printing, &c.....	2,608 58
"	Printing.....	19,498 40
"	Indian Hostilities, 1849, Interest.....	1,018 68
"	Indian Hostilities, 1849, Principal.....	3,859 54
"	Pensions (Mrs. M. M. Reed).....	300 00
"	Maintenance of Lunatics.....	1,339 95
"	Township Maps.....	3,000 00
"	Fund for Clerk Supreme Court.....	247 18
"	Pay of County Judges.....	10,557 28
"	Adjutant General's Department.....	21,556 32
"	Treasury Certificates.....	128,061 83
	Total.....	\$522,997 84

## 1870.

"	Speciality, (Mrs. M. S. Perry).....	\$ 5,567 09
"	An act for the relief of George J. Arnow.....	302 49
"	An act to compensate George J. Arnow.....	100 00
"	An act for the relief of William Germany.....	300 00
"	Appropriation to William H. Gleason.....	1,000 00
"	Expenses of Public Instruction.....	168 01
"	Seminary Fund.....	6 00
"	Common Schools for Freedmen.....	128 00
"	East Florida Seminary Fund Interest.....	5,224 00
"	Common Schools.....	1,533 64
"	Bureau of Immigration.....	957 75
"	Salaries of Executive Department.....	7,954 00
"	Salaries Judicial Department.....	19,186 28
"	Salaries Military Department.....	1,250 00
"	Pay of County Judges.....	8,528 91
"	Expenses 1st session 15th Legislature.....	472 00
"	Expenses 2d session 15th Legislature.....	1,095 80
"	Expenses 3d session 15th Legislature.....	7,851 20
"	Expenses Extra Session 1868.....	275 00
"	Expenses Extra Session 1869.....	244 00
"	Expenses Extra Session 1870.....	4,694 00
"	Expenses Adjutant General's Department.....	211 10
"	Expenses Township Maps.....	239 72
"	Expenses of Impeachment.....	500 00
"	Expenses Boards of Registration.....	565 00
"	Expenses of Penitentiary.....	5,592 40
"	Expenses Collection of Revenue.....	2,788 86
"	Contingent Expenses Circuit Court.....	2,523 45
"	Contingent Expenses Supreme Court.....	1,246 85
"	Contingent Expenses State.....	3,611 86
"	Contingent Fund for Governor.....	10 00
"	Convention Certificates.....	2,295 25
"	Census 1867.....	372 36
"	Interest State Debt, (Convention).....	436 00
"	Interest State Debt.....	7,078 83
"	Criminal Prosecutions.....	24,543 78
"	Repairs of Capitol.....	4,008 72
"	Jurors and Witnesses.....	12,792 63

On account	Post Mortem Examinations.....	1,050 75
"	Miscellaneous Printing and Printing Laws.....	30 00
"	Printing.....	3,118 34
"	Indian Hostilities 1849, Principal.....	349 13
"	Indian Hostilities 1849, Interest.....	208 48
"	Maintenance of Lunatics.....	724 34
"	Fund of Clerk Supreme Court.....	560 69
"	Treasury Certificates redeemed.....	66,890 96
		<u>\$208,587 67</u>

## JANUARY—1871.

"	Salaries Executive Department.....	\$ 8,454 45
"	Salaries Judicial Department.....	14,768 17
"	Salaries Military Department.....	1,321 43
"	Pay of County Judges.....	665 99
"	Expenses 2d session 15th Legislature.....	320 00
"	Expenses 3d session 15th Legislature.....	1,086 00
"	Expenses Penitentiary.....	6,477 85
"	Criminal Prosecutions.....	1,488 70
"	Expenses Extra Session 1870.....	1,526 40
"	Expenses Adjutant General's Department.....	504 25
"	Expenses of Impeachment.....	1,563 05
"	Expenses Collection of Revenue.....	1,222 16
"	Contingent Expenses Circuit Court.....	83 90
"	Contingent Expenses Supreme Court.....	511 09
"	Contingent Expenses State.....	465 62
"	Repairs of Capitol.....	4,255 01
"	Jurors and Witnesses.....	502 19
"	Post Mortem Examinations.....	44 50
"	Printing.....	1,127 75
"	Indian Hostilities 1849, Principal.....	98 16
"	Indian Hostilities, Interest.....	66 13
"	Fund for Clerk Supreme Court.....	250 09
"	Common Schools.....	3,315 39
"	West Florida Seminary Fund Interest.....	500 00
"	Appropriation to William H. Gleason.....	250 00
"	Expenses Township Maps.....	370 66
"	Expenses of Elections.....	11 04
"	Salary, &c.....	900 00
"	Convention Certificates.....	287 20
"	Treasury Certificates.....	4,071 34
		<u>\$56,508 23</u>

## FROM FEBRUARY 1, 1871, TO JANUARY 1, 1872.

On account	Salaries Executive Department.....	\$ 1,502 00
"	Salaries Judicial Department.....	1,312 00
"	Salaries Military Department.....	250 00
"	Common Schools.....	332 00
"	Contingent Expenses Circuit Court.....	107 85
"	Contingent Expenses Supreme Court.....	72 45
"	Contingent Expenses State.....	1,530 09
"	Jurors and Witnesses.....	4,796 76
"	Printing.....	966 25
"	Criminal prosecutions.....	3,032 83
"	Expenses 1st session 16th Legislature.....	59,407 61
"	Expenses Legislature, extra session, 1870.....	84 00

On account	Convention certificates.....	164 00
"	Treasury certificates.....	4,558 77
"	Expenses penitentiary.....	177 37
"	Repairs of Capitol.....	191 99
"	Indian hostilities, 1849, principal.....	148 80
"	Indian hostilities, 1849, interest.....	98 20
"	Expenses of Adjutant General's Department.....	150 85
"	Maintenance of Lunatics.....	150 00
"	Expenses of Impeachment.....	329 20
"	Act for relief of D. L. McKinnon.....	125 00
"	Interest on State Debt, School Fund.....	57,830 52
"	Interest on State Debt, Seminary Fund.....	11,182 44
"	General Assembly.....	2,204 95
"	Indian hostilities, supplies.....	1,501 66
"	Expenses Presidential election.....	46 47
"	Expenses of printing Digest Laws of Florida..	7,788 00
"	Pay of County Judges.....	25 00
"	Expenses of public instruction.....	33 27
"	Expenses extra session Legislature, 1869.....	75 00
"	Expenses of 3d session 15th Legislature.....	56 00
"	Comptroller's warrants, greenback scrip.....	51,000 00
	Total.....	\$210,912 33

## MONTH OF JANUARY—1872.

"	Expenses of Col. of Revenue.....	\$ 176 07
"	Expenses 1st Legislature of Fla.....	10 00
"	Printing.....	257 40
"	Salaries Executive Department.....	200 00
"	Criminal Prosecutions.....	3,082 77
"	Contingent expenses of State.....	295 31
"	Common schools.....	31 22
"	Expenses of Penitentiary.....	934 15
"	Post mortem examinations.....	47 25
"	Expenses Legislature extra session, 1870.....	49 20
"	Expenses 1st session 16th Legislature.....	637 92
"	Contingent expenses Circuit Court.....	330 41
"	Pay of County Judges.....	271 00
"	Treasury certificates.....	3,285 01
"	Jurors and witnesses.....	1,275 71
"	General Assembly.....	969 25
"	Bureau of Immigration.....	650 00
"	Indian hostilities, (supplies).....	70 90
"	Salaries of Judicial Department.....	2,000 00
"	Expenses of Presidential Election.....	129 00
"	Common schools for freedmen.....	230 00
"	East Florida Seminary fund interest.....	500 00
"	Cancelled coupons 7 per cent. bonds.....	3,106 00
"	Paid for 22 7 per cent. bonds placed to sinking fund	781 00
"	Comptroller's warrants (greenback scrip).....	50,319 40
	Total.....	\$73,857 97

Total amount of Comptroller's warrants and Treasurer's certificates cancelled and destroyed..... \$1,175,934 82

In conclusion, your committee beg leave to state that in their investigation, which was quite laborious and required deep scru-

tiny into figures, they found all the books and accounts properly kept by the Treasurer, and, with these facilities, the business of your committee was greatly assisted.

The warrants and certificates were found correctly recorded, by number and amount, and under the proper heads of expenditure authorized by law, and these warrants and certificates were closely examined before their destruction and found to be effectually cancelled by the Treasurer as directed by law.

Your committee, finding a large amount of the greenback warrants cancelled as provided for in the act relating to the finances of this State, passed January 26, 1871, thought it to be within the design and scope of their authority to destroy these also, in addition to the other warrants so directed to be destroyed, and the amounts of such warrants destroyed after their cancellation by the Treasurer are designated in the above statement.

With reference to the accounts and condition of the Treasurer's office, your committee would state that they have no special recommendations to make, with the exception that a necessity appears to exist for the better preserving of the valuable papers, books, bonds, &c., and which can only be done in first-class iron safes. The two safes in the office are neither first-class, nor are they in perfect condition, and the least that can be recommended is that they be thoroughly repaired.

The accounts of the Treasurer, the system of keeping them, their easy reference, and the neatness of his books, your committee cannot criticize, but find much in them to commend, as well as the general administration of his responsible office.

W. J. PURMAN,	} Senate.
JOHN A. HENDERSON,	
W. H. GLEASON,	} Assembly.
J. W. JOHNSON,	

Which was read.

Substitute for Assembly Bill No. 80, to be entitled An act to Fund the Outstanding Debt of the State.

Mr. Meacham moved the vote by which the substitute was adopted be reconsidered.

The yeas and nays were called for, with the following result:

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Dennis, Eagan, Hill, Jenkins, Kendrick, Meacham, Pearce, Purman and Wentworth—9.

Those voting in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams, Atkins, Crawford, Ginn, Henderson, McKinnon, McCaskill and Sutton—8.

Mr. Jenkins moved that the bill be laid upon the table.

The yeas and nays were called for, with the following result:

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams, Atkins, Crawford, Eagan, Ginn, Henderson, Jenkins, McKinnon, Meacham, Purman and Sutton—11.

Those voting in the negative were—

Messrs. Dennis, Hill, Kendrick, Pearce and Wentworth—5.

So the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Jenkins offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That during the remainder of the session no Senator shall speak for more than 5 minutes at one time on one question without leave of the Senate ;

Which was not adopted.

Assembly Bill No. 80 :

To be entitled An act to Fund the Outstanding Debt of the State,

Was then taken up on its second reading.

Mr. Henderson moved that the bill be laid on the table.

The yeas and nays were called for, with the following result :

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams, Atkins, Crawford, Henderson, Hill, Kendrick, McKinnon, Pearce and Sutton—9.

Those voting in the negative were—

Messrs. Dennis, Eagan, Ginn, Jenkins, Locke, Meacham, Purman and Wentworth—8.

So the bill was laid on the table.

Assembly Bill No. 74 :

Mr. Wentworth moved that the bill be laid on the table ;

Which was agreed to.

Joint Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of a Financial Commission,

Was read first time.

Mr. Henderson moved to amend by striking out the word "three" and insert "five;"

Which was adopted.

Mr. Dennis moved the rules be waived and the resolution put upon its second reading.

The rules were waived, and the resolution read second time by sections.

Mr. Wentworth moved that the rules be suspended and the resolution placed on its third reading.

The yeas and nays were called for, with the following result :

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams, Crawford, Dennis, Eagan, Ginn, Hill, Jenkins, Kendrick, Meacham, Pearce, Purman and Wentworth—12.

Those voting in the negative were—

Messrs. Atkins and McKinnon—2.

So the rules were suspended.

The resolution was then placed on its third reading, read at large, and put upon its passage.

Upon the question, Shall the bill pass?

The yeas and nays were called for, with the following result:

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams, Crawford, Dennis, Eagan, Ginn, Hill, Hillyer, Jenkins, Kendrick, Meacham, McCaskill, Pearce, Purman and Wentworth—14.

Those voting in the negative were—

Messrs. Atkins, McKinnon and Sutton—3.

So the resolution passed, title as stated, and the Secretary was directed to certify the same to the Assembly.

Concurrent Resolution relative to the Hon. T. W. Osborn.

Mr. Meacham moved that the Senate now go into Executive Session.

The yeas and nays were called for, with the following result:

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Hill, Jenkins, Kendrick, Locke, Meacham, Purman and Wentworth—7.

Those voting in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams, Atkins, Crawford, Dennis, Eagan, Henderson, McKinnon, McCaskill, Pearce and Sutton—10.

So the motion was not agreed to.

Mr. Jenkins moved that the Concurrent Resolution be laid upon the table.

The yeas and nays were called for, with the following result:

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Hill, Jenkins, Locke, Meacham, Purman and Wentworth—6.

Those voting in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams, Atkins, Crawford, Eagan, Ginn, Henderson, Kendrick, McKinnon, McCaskill, Pearce and Sutton—11.

So the motion was not agreed to.

Mr. Wentworth moved the postponement of the further consideration of the concurrent resolution twenty-five minutes.

It was then moved to lay the motion on the table.

The yeas and nays were called for, with the following result:

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams, Atkins, Crawford, Dennis, Eagan, Ginn, Hill, Jenkins, Kendrick, McKinnon, McCaskill and Sutton—12.

Those voting in the negative were—

Messrs. Locke, Meacham, Purman and Wentworth—4.

So the motion was laid upon the table.

Message from the Assembly:

ASSEMBLY HALL,

Tallahassee, Fla., February 19, 1872.

HON. LIBERTY BILLINGS, President *pro tem.* of the Senate:

SIR: I am directed to inform you that the Assembly has

concurred in Senate amendment to Assembly joint resolution authorizing the appointment of a Finance Commission.

Very respectfully,

M. H. CLAY,

Clerk of the Assembly:

Mr. Wentworth moved to postpone the further consideration of the concurrent resolution twenty-four minutes.

The yeas and nays were called for, with the following result :

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams, Atkins, Crawford, Eagan, Ginn, Henderson, Locke, Meacham and Wentworth—9.

Those voting in the negative were—

Messrs. Hill and McCaskill—2.

So the motion was agreed to.

Mr. Henderson moved to reconsider the vote.

The yeas and nays were called for, with the following result :

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Dennis, Ginn, Hill, Jenkins, Locke, Meacham, Purman and Wentworth—8.

Those voting in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams, Atkins, Crawford, Eagan, Henderson, Kendrick, McKinnon, McCaskill and Sutton—9.

So the motion was lost.

Message from the Assembly :

ASSEMBLY HALL,

Tallahassee, Fla., February 19, 1872

Hon. LIBERTY BILLINGS, President *pro tem.* of the Senate :

SIR: I am directed to inform you that the Assembly has adopted—

Memorial in regard to a Southern Trans-Continental Inter-Line of Water Communication Through the Gulf States between the Great West and the Atlantic Ocean.

Very respectfully,

M. H. CLAY,

Clerk of the Assembly.

Assembly Bill No. 54:

An act to Improve and Make Navigable the Yellow and Shoal Rivers and Tributaries in Santa Rosa and Walton Counties.

Mr. Wentworth moved that the Senate do not concur in Assembly amendment;

Which motion was agreed to.

Mr. Henderson moved that further consideration of Concurrent Resolution ——— be postponed 15 minutes.

The yeas and nays were called for, with the following result :

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams, Atkins, Crawford, Dennis, Ginn, Henderson, Kendrick, McKinnon, McCaskill, and Sutton—10.

Those voting in the negative were—  
Messrs. Hill, Jenkins, Locke, Meacham, Purman and Wentworth—6.

So the motion was agreed to.

Mr. Wentworth moved that the Concurrent Resolution be indefinitely postponed.

The yeas and nays were called for, with the following result:

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Dennis, Hill, Jenkins, Locke, and Meacham—5

Those voting in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams, Atkins, Crawford, Eagan, Ginn, Henderson, Kendrick, McKinnon, McCaskill, Sutton, and Wentworth—11.

So the motion was not agreed to.

Mr. Meacham moved that the Senate do now go into Executive session.

The yeas and nays were called for, with the following result:

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Dennis, Eagan, Hill, Hillyer, Jenkins, Kendrick, Locke, Meacham, Purman and Wentworth—10.

Those voting in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams, Atkins, Crawford, Ginn, Henderson, McKinnon, McCaskill, Pearce and Sutton—9.

So the motion was agreed, and the Senate went into Executive session.

The doors were opened.

Message from the Governor:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,  
Tallahassee, Fla., Feb., 19, 1872.

HON. LIBERTY BILLINGS, President *pro tem.* of the Senate:

SIR: I have the honor to state that I have approved and signed the following bills and memorials:

An act to provide for the Enforcement of Payments against Insolvent Corporations;

An act supplementary to chapter 1766 of the session laws of 1870, being An act to Establish the Florida Agricultural College;

An act for the Relief of C. V. Hillyer;

An act Defining the Duties and Fixing the Pay of County Commissioners;

An act to Secure Homesteads to Actual Settlers upon the Swamp and Overflowed Lands of the State of Florida.

Very respectfully,

SAMUEL T. DAY,  
Acting Governor.

The President and Secretary signed the following enrolled bills and resolutions, and conveyed the same to the Assembly:

An act to Improve and Make Navigable the Yellow and Shoal Rivers and Tributaries in Santa Rosa and Walton Counties ;  
 Joint Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of Financial Commission.

The hour of 12 m. having arrived, Mr. Henderson moved that the Senate do now adjourn *sine die* ;

Which was agreed to.

The Senate then adjourned *sine die*.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION.

The following nominations were confirmed in Executive session February 17 ;

Robert T. Tucker to be assessor of taxes for Gadsden county.

John W. Howell to be assessor of taxes for Baker county.

Henry J. Steward to be county judge for Hamilton county.

Benj. F. Jackson to be clerk of court for Hamilton county.

George W. Allen to be assessor of taxes for Suwannee county.

Hezekiah H. Wilder to be sheriff for Taylor county.

Frank E. Saxon to be collector of revenue for Hernando county.

Frank E. Saxon to be assessor of taxes for Hernando county.

George W. Cook to be collector of revenue for Washington county.

Frederick C. Humphreys to be assessor of taxes for Escambia county.

Thomas Hannah to be assessor of taxes for Washington county.

Thomas H. Pitman to be county judge for Holmes county.

James J. Newton to be clerk of court for Holmes county.

J. D. Stanbury to be clerk of court for St. Johns county, vice

C. D. Lincoln removed for neglect of duty.

The following was removed :

John Tyer, sheriff of Levy county, removed for neglect of duty.

The doors were opened.

## HIGH COURT OF IMPEACHMENT.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1872.

The court met pursuant to adjournment.

The Chief-Justice in the chair.

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

Messrs. Adams, Atkins, Crawford, Dennis, Eagan, Ginn, Hill, Hillyer, Jenkins, Kendrick, Locke, McKinnon, Meacham, McCas-kill, Pearce, Sutton and Wentworth—17.

A quorum present.

The Sergeant-at-Arms, made the following proclamation :

Hear ye! Hear ye! Hear ye! All persons are commanded to keep silence while the Senate of the State of Florida is sitting for the trial of articles of impeachment exhibited by the Assembly against Harrison Reed, Governor of Florida.

Mr. Jenkins moved that the reading of the minutes be dispensed with.

Which was agreed to.

The counsel for the respondent asked leave to file the following :

And the said respondent by his counsel comes and moves the court that the plea heretofore filed to the said articles of impeachment be held and treated as the plea and answer to the said articles filed since then, the same as though said plea was this day filed.

Very respectfully,

J. P. C. EMMONS,  
Counsel for Respondent.

Mr. Wentworth moved the request of the counsel for respondent be granted ;

Which was adopted.

The counsel for the Board of Managers offered the following and asked that it be filed.

*Resolved*, That the Managers and counsel prosecuting articles of impeachment against Harrison Reed, Governor be empowered and instructed to prepare and file in the High Court of Impeachment the necessary replication to the answer and plea that Harrison Reed, Governor, has or may file to the said articles of impeachment.

Attest :

M. L. STEARNS,  
Speaker of the Assembly  
M. H. CLAY,  
Clerk of the Assembly.

Which was agreed to.

The counsel for the Board of Managers of the Assembly offered a replication and asked that it should be filed.

The counsel for the respondent submitted the following, and asked that it be filed:

Counsel objects to the reception of the replication, on the ground that it does not appear to be put in under the direction of the Assembly, nor the mode prescribed by law therefor.

The counsel for the Managers then withdrew, and subsequently tendered the following replication:

In the Assembly of the State of Florida, February 19, 1872.

Replication by the Assembly of the State of Florida to the pleas of Harrison Reed, Governor, to the articles of impeachment exhibited against him by the said Assembly.

And now comes the Assembly by its Managers and counsel, and having considered the several pleas of Harrison Reed, Governor, to the several articles of impeachment exhibited against him in the name of the said Assembly, and of all the people of Florida, and reserving to the said Assembly all advantage of exception to the insufficiency of said pleas, to each and all the said several articles of impeachment, exhibited against said Harrison Reed, Governor, and for the replication to said pleas, do say that said Harrison Reed, Governor, is guilty of the high crimes and misdemeanors, of incompetency and malfeasance, and of conduct detrimental to good morals, and that the Assembly is ready to prove the same.

M. L. STEARNS,

Speaker of the Assembly.

M. H. CLAY,

Chief Clerk of Assembly.

Mr Jenkins offered the following order:

*Ordered*, That the replication of the Managers to the respondent's plea be received and filed.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Wentworth offered the following order:

*Ordered*, That the Senate sitting as a High Court of Impeachment do now adjourn in accordance with the concurrent resolution adopted by the Senate and the Assembly for the adjournment of the Legislature.

The yeas and nays were called for, with the following result:

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams, Dennis, Hill, Jenkins, Kendrick, Locke, Meacham, Purman and Wentworth—9.

Those voting in the negative were—

Messrs. Atkins, Billings, Crawford, Eagan, Ginn, Henderson, Hillyer, McKinnon, McCaskill, Pearce and Sutton—11.

So the order was not adopted.

Mr. Wentworth moved that the Senate room be cleared for deliberation ;

Which was not agreed to.

The counsel for the respondent offered the following, and asked that it be filed.

In the matter of Harrison Reed, impeached of high crimes, misdemeanors, malfeasance in office and conduct detrimental to good morals.

I, Harrison Reed, Governor of the State of Florida, hereby by my counsel, J. P. C. Emmons, now come here into Court and demand a trial of the charges aforesaid, embodied in the articles of impeachment, filed against me in this Court, to which I have filed my plea verified by oath as required by the Constitution of this State.

And I now hereby solemnly protest, that, as I now make such demand and hereby declare myself ready for trial, further proceedings shall not be delayed or continued to an impossible day or time, within which my office as Governor aforesaid will have expired by constitutional limitation.

Ordered that the same be filed.

The counsel for the respondent offered the following :

Mr. Emmons, respondent, moved that the Managers proceed with the evidence, or that he be acquitted and discharged.

Mr. Henderson moved that the Senate Chamber be cleared for deliberation ;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Wentworth moved that the doors be now opened.

Which was agreed to.

The doors were opened.

Senator Jenkins offered the following order :

*Ordered*, That the High Court of Impeachment do now adjourn.

Which was adopted.

Mr. McCaskill offered the following as a substitute :

*Whereas*, Articles of impeachment have been presented by the Honorable Assembly of Florida against Harrison Reed, Governor, and whereas the respondent demands an immediate trial,

*Ordered therefore*, That this Court will continue to sit from day to day at 10 o'clock of each day, for the trial of Harrison Reed, till adjourned by the limitations of the State Constitution to wit, till the end of 60 days.

Mr. Purman offered the following order :

*Ordered*, That the Senate sitting as a High Court of Impeachment do now adjourn.

The yeas and nays were called for, with the following result :  
Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams, Dennis, Giun, Hill, Jenkins, Kendrick, Locke,  
Meacham, Purman and Wentworth—10.

Those voting in the negative were—

Messrs. Atkins, Crawford, Eagan, McKinnon, McCaskill and  
Pearce—6.

So the order was adopted.

The Chief-Justice then declared the court adjourned in pursu-  
ance of the order of the Senate, and ordered the Sergeant-at-  
arms to make the following proclamation :

Hear ye! Hear ye! Hear ye! The Senate of the State of  
Florida, sitting as a High Court of Impeachment now stands ad-  
journed. God save the State of Florida and this honorable  
court.