

SATURDAY, April 27, 1872.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President *pro tem.* in the chair.

Prayer by the chaplain.

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

Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Dennis, Hill, Hunt, Jenkins, Purman and Wentworth—8.

Not a quorum present.

Mr. Purman moved a call of the Senate.

The roll was called with the following result:

Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Dennis, Hill, Hunt, Jenkins, Purman and Wentworth—8.

The Sergeant-at-arms was dispatched after absentees.

Mr. Dennis moved that further proceedings under the call be suspended;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Dennis moved that the Senate adjourn until Monday morning 10 a. m.;

Which was agreed to, and the Senate adjourned.

MONDAY, April 29.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President *pro tem.* in the chair.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

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

Mr. President, Messrs. Dennis, Hill, Jenkins, Meacham and Wentworth—6.

Not a quorum present.

Mr. Meacham moved a call of the Senate.

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

Mr. President, Messrs. Atkins, Dennis, Hill, Jenkins, Meacham and Wentworth—7.

The Sergeant-at-arms was dispatched after absentees.

On motion of Mr. Wentworth, Senate adjourned to 4 o'clock p. m.

FOUR O'CLOCK P. M.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President *pro tem.* in the chair.

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

Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Atkins, Crawford, Dennis, Henderson, Hill, Hunt, McKinnon, McCaskill, Purman, Weeks and Wentworth—13.

A quorum present.

The journal of Saturday, 27th, was read and approved.

Mr. Henderson moved that all the journals of the session be read;

Which was agreed to.

The journals were then read.

Mr. Henderson made the following motion:

All proceedings which are entered upon the journals of this Senate on the several days of its session other than motions "to adjourn from day to day" and measures "to compel the attendance of absent members" be expunged from the journals, except that whenever the journals show affirmatively the presence of a quorum, then the proceedings shall be considered regular, and shall not be expunged.

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

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams, Atkins, Crawford, Dennis, Henderson, Hill, Hunt, McKinnon, Meacham, McCaskill, Weeks and Wentworth—12.

Nays—None.

So the motion was agreed to.

Mr. Henderson moved that the Senator from the 3d District be required to vote;

The Chair ruled that if a quorum was present, that less than that number might participate in the proceedings.

The decision of the Chair was appealed from; upon which the yeas and nays were called for, with the following result:

To sustain the Chair,

Mr. Hunt—1.

Against the decision of the Chair,

Those voting in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams, Atkins, Crawford, Dennis, Henderson, Hill, McKinnon, Meacham, McCaskill, Purman, Weeks and Wentworth—12.

So the Chair was not sustained.

Mr. Henderson insisted upon his motion; upon which the Chair ruled that the Senate could not consider the motion after the vote had been announced.

The decision of the Chair was appealed from.

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

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Dennis, Hill, Hunt and Meacham—4.

Those voting in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams, Atkins, Crawford, Henderson, McKinnon, McCaskill and Weeks—7.

So the Chair was not sustained.

The yeas and nays were then called, upon Mr. Henderson's motion, that the Senator from the 3d District be required to vote, with the following result :

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams, Atkins, Crawford, Henderson, Hunt, McKinnon, Meacham, McCaskill, Weeks and Wentworth—10.

Those voting in the negative were—

Messrs. Dennis, Hill and Purman—3.

So the motion was carried.

The yeas and nays were then again called upon the motion of Mr. Henderson to expunge, with the following result :

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams, Atkins, Crawford, Dennis, Henderson, Hill, Hunt, McKinnon, Meacham, McCaskill, Weeks and Wentworth—12.

Mr. Purman voting in the negative.

So the motion was adopted.

Message from the Assembly :

ASSEMBLY HALL,

Tallahassee, Fla., April 29, 1872.

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

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

Assembly Bill No. 1 :

To be entitled An act to Provide for Filling Vacancies in Office in Cases of Impeachment or Suspension ;

Assembly Bill No. 2 :

To be entitled An act Regulating the Succession in Office of Governor in Cases of Death, Resignation, or other Causes.

Very respectfully,

M. H. CLAY,
Clerk of the Assembly.

Mr. Wentworth offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate be, and he is hereby, directed to omit from the roll-call the name of the late Senator from the 8th Senatorial District.

Be it further resolved, That the Secretary be directed to notify the Lieutenant and Acting Governor that a vacancy now exists in the 8th Senatorial District, to the end that an election may be had to fill such vacancy.

Mr. Purman moved that the further consideration of the resolution be postponed to Thursday 10 a. m. ;

Which was not agreed to.

The yeas and nays were called for upon the resolution of Mr. Wentworth, with the following result :

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams, Atkins, Crawford, Dennis, Henderson, Hill, Hunt, McKinnon, Meacham, McCaskill, Weeks and Wentworth—12.

Mr. President voting in the negative.

So the resolution was adopted.

Upon motion, the Secretary was ordered to enter upon the minutes the fact that Mr. Purman left the Senate to avoid voting on the resolution.

Upon motion, the Senate then adjourned till to-morrow 10 a. m.

TUESDAY, April 30, 1872.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President *pro tem.* in the chair.

Prayer by the chaplain.

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

Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Atkins, Crawford, Eagan, Henderson, Hill, McKinnon, Meacham, McCaskill, Purman, Sutton and Weeks—13.

A quorum present.

Mr. Henderson moved that the journals of yesterday be printed and laid upon the desks of the members.

Mr. Henderson moved that the office of Recording Clerk be declared vacant ;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Wentworth moved that the offices of Engrossing and Recording Clerks be consolidated ;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Henderson moved that the present incumbent of office of Engrossing Clerk be made Recording Clerk.

Mr. Henderson moved that the office of page be declared vacant ;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Henderson moved that Mr. Wallace Weeks be appointed page of the Senate ;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. McCaskill moved that the office of Chaplain of the Senate be declared vacant, and that the ministers of the different