

JOURNAL

Of the Senate of the State of Florida, at the Sixth Session of the Legislature, begun and held at the Capitol, in the City of Tallahassee, in the State of Florida, on Tuesday, the seventh day of January, A. D. 1873, being the day fixed by the Constitution of the State of Florida for the meeting of the Legislature.

Senate met as required by the Constitution.

Lieutenant-Governor M. L. Stearns in the chair.

By request of the presiding officer Bishop John M. Brown, of the A. M. E. Church, opened the session with prayer.

The names of Senators holding seats were then called, and the following answered to their names:

Messrs. Billings, Eagan, Jenkins, Johnson, Hill, McCaskill, McKinnon, Sutton, Henderson, and Ginn—10.

The following Senators, elected November 5, 1872, were then called and sworn in by the Secretary:

Messrs. Hiram Potter, Washington Pope, R. L. Smith, Chas. H. Pearce, J. L. Crawford, Angus McAuley, M. A. Knight, E. T. Sturtevant, M. G. Fortner, B. F. Oliveros, L. G. Dennis, Robert Meacham, and T. W. Long—13.

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

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 1873.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The Lieutenant-Governor in the chair.

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

Mr. President, Messrs. Billings, Crawford, Dennis, Eagan, Fortner, Ginn, Henderson, Jenkins, Johnson, Knight, Long, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Meacham, Oliveros, Pearce, Pope, Potter, Smith, Sturtevant, and Sutton—23.

A quorum present.

By request of the Lieutenant-Governor the session was opened with prayer by Bishop Pearce.

Mr. Dennis stated that he had been requested to give notice

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that S. C. Cobb would contest the seat of Hiram Potter, of the First District.

Mr. Eagan moved that the Senate proceed to the election of a Secretary;

On which the roll was called with the following result:

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Mr. President, Messrs. Billings, Eagan, Hill, Johnson, Locke, Long, Meacham, Oliveros, Pearce, Pope, Potter, and Sturtevant—13.

Those voting in the negative were—

Messrs. Crawford, Dennis, Fortner, Ginn, Henderson, Jenkins, Knight, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Smith, and Sutton—12.

So the motion was agreed to.

Mr. Oliveros nominated Robert H. Gamble, Jr.

Mr. Eagan nominated Charles R. King.

Mr. Dennis nominated George E. Wentworth.

The roll was called with the following result:

For Charles R. King—Mr. President, Messrs. Dennis, Eagan, Hill, Jenkins, Johnson, Locke, Long, Meacham, Pearce, Pope, Potter, and Sturtevant—13.

For Robert H. Gamble, Jr.—Messrs. Billings, Crawford, Fortner, Ginn, Henderson, Knight, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Oliveros, Smith, and Sutton—12.

Mr. King having received a majority of the votes cast was declared elected, and was sworn in as Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Pearce moved that the Senate proceed to the election of a Sergeant-at-arms;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Oliveros nominated W. M. Duke.

Mr. Pearce nominated P. W. Bryant.

Mr. Jenkins nominated W. C. Cooper.

The roll was called with the following result:

For P. W. Bryant—Messrs. Billings, Crawford, Dennis, Eagan, Ginn, Hill, Locke, Long, Meacham, Pearce, Pope, Potter, and Sturtevant—13.

For W. M. Duke—Messrs. Fortner, Henderson, Johnson, Knight, McAuley, McKinnon, Oliveros, Smith, and Sutton—9.

For W. C. Cooper—Mr. Jenkins—1.

Mr. Bryant, having received a majority of votes, was declared elected.

Mr. McCaskill moved that the office of Assistant Sergeant-at-arms be dispensed with;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Eagan moved that the Senate proceed to the election of an Assistant Secretary.

Mr. T. W. Long nominated W. H. LeCain.

Mr. Oliveros nominated Robert H. Gamble, Jr.

The roll was called with the following result:

For W. H. LeCain—Messrs. Billings, Dennis, Eagan, Hill, Jenkins, Johnson, Locke, Long, Meacham, Pearce, Pope, Potter, and Sturtevant—13.

For Robert H. Gamble, Jr.—Messrs. Crawford, Fortner, Ginn, Henderson, Knight, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Oliveros, Smith, and Sutton—11.

W. H. LeCain having received a majority of the votes cast was declared elected.

Mr. Meacham moved that the Senate proceed to the election of a Door-keeper;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. McCaskill nominated J. B. Sparrow.

Mr. Billings nominated John Harley.

Mr. Long nominated W. J. Tucker.

Mr. Dennis nominated Andrew D. Mayo.

Mr. Dennis moved that the Senate do now adjourn;

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Hill nominated G. W. Floyd.

Mr. Meacham nominated Spencer Matthews.

Mr. Eagan nominated Henry Cox.

The roll was called with the following result:

For J. B. Sparrow—Messrs. Crawford, Fortner, Ginn, Henderson, Knight, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Oliveros, Smith, and Sutton—11.

For Henry Cox—Messrs. Eagan, Johnson, Locke, Pope, Potter, and Sturtevant—6.

For John Harley—Messrs. Billings and Pearce—2.

For Andrew D. Mayo—Messrs. Dennis and Jenkins—2.

For W. J. Tucker—Mr. Long—1.

For Spencer Matthews—Mr. Meacham—1.

For G. W. Floyd—Mr. Hill—1.

No candidate having received a majority of the votes cast there was no election.

Mr. Eagan moved that the Senate proceed to another ballot for Door-keeper;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Henderson moved that the Door-keeper receive \$1.50 per day for his services.

Mr. Billings moved to amend by changing \$1.50 per day to \$3 per day.

Mr. McCaskill moved to lay the amendment on the table;

Upon which the roll was called with the following result:

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Dennis, Eagan, Fortner, Henderson, Knight, Locke, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Oliveros, Pope, Smith, and Sutton—13.

Those voting in the negative were—

Messrs. Billings, Crawford, Ginn, Hill, Jenkins, Johnson, Long, Meacham, Pearce, Potter, and Sturtevant—11.

So the amendment was laid on the table, which the Chair decided carried the main subject with it.

The Senate proceeded to the election of Door-keeper.

The roll was called with the following result:

For J. B. Sparrow—Messrs. Crawford, Fortner, Ginn, Henderson, Knight, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Oliveros, Smith, and Sutton—11.

For Henry Cox—Messrs. Dennis, Eagan, Johnson, Locke, Potter, and Sturtevant—6.

For John Harley—Messrs. Billings, Long, and Pearce—3.

For Spencer Matthews—Messrs. Jenkins and Meacham—2.

For G. W. Floyd—Mr. Hill—1.

No candidate having received a majority of the votes cast, there was no election.

Mr. Johnson moved that the Chair appoint a Door-keeper at \$2 per day.

Which was agreed to; and G. H. Cox appointed.

Mr. Johnson moved that a Page be appointed by the Chair, and that he receive \$2 per day.

Which was agreed to, and Wallace Weeks appointed.

Mr. Pearce moved that "the ladies of the M. E. Church South be granted the use of the Senate Chamber for next Thursday night."

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Johnson moved that the Senate now go into election for Recording Clerk;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Johnson nominated A. I. Gillis.

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Billings, Crawford, Dennis, Eagan, Fortner, Ginn, Hill, Jenkins, Johnson, Knight, Locke, Long, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Meacham, Oliveros, Pearce, Pope, Potter, Sturtevant, and Sutton—22.

Nays—None.

A. I. Gillis having received a majority of the votes was declared elected.

Mr. Eagan moved that the Senate now go into the election of Chaplain.

Mr. McCaskill moved to postpone the election until tomorrow.

Motion withdrawn.

On motion the Sergeant-at-arms and Recording Secretary were sworn in.

Mr. Jenkins moved that a committee of three be appointed to inform the House that the Senate are now organized and ready to proceed to business.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Jenkins, Pearce, and McCaskill, who proceeded to discharge that duty, and were discharged.

Mr. Henderson moved that the Sergeant-at-arms be authorized to employ a Janitor to take care of the Senate Chamber.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Johnson moved that the Senate adjourn until 4 o'clock P. M.

Which was agreed to.

FOUR O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Senate re-assembled at 4 o'clock.

The Lieutenant-Governor in the chair.

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

Messrs. Billings, Crawford, Dennis, Eagan, Fortner, Ginn, Henderson, Jenkins, Johnson, Knight, Locke, Long, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Meacham, Oliveros, Pearce, Pope, Potter, Smith, Sturtevant, and Sutton—23.

A quorum present.

Mr. Henderson moved that the Senate adjourn until to-morrow (Thursday) at 12 o'clock;

Which was agreed to.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 1873.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The Lieutenant-Governor in the chair.

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

Messrs. Billings, Crawford, Eagan, Fortner, Ginn, Hill, Jenkins, Johnson, Knight, Locke, Long, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Meacham, Oliveros, Pearce, Pope, Potter, Smith, Sturtevant, and Sutton—23.

A quorum present.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Long.

Mr. Meacham moved that the reading of the journal be dispensed with;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Oliveros moved that the vote by which the reading of the journal was dispensed with be reconsidered;

Which was agreed to, and the journal ordered read.

Mr. McCaskill asked that the journal be corrected so as to show that he voted for —