

ASSEMBLY HALL,  
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., January 17, 1873. }

Hon. M. L. Stearns, President of the Senate:

SIR: I am directed by the Assembly to inform the Senate that the Assembly has this day passed Senate Joint Resolution relative to electing a committee to examine the books of the Comptroller and Treasurer, and have elected Messrs. Bush, Kelly, and Hannah on the part of the Assembly.

Very respectfully,

H. S. HARMON,  
Clerk of the Assembly.

Messrs. McCaskill and Eagan were elected to act with the Assembly committee, in conformity to Senate Joint Resolution relative to electing a joint committee to examine the books and accounts of the Treasurer's and Comptroller's offices.

Mr. Henderson asked that the rules be waived and he be allowed to offer a remonstrance from S. C. Cobb.

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

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Billings, Crawford, Fortner, Ginn, Henderson, Knight, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Oliveros, and Smith—11.

Those voting in the negative were—

Messrs. Dennis, Eagan, Hill, Jenkins, Johnson, Locke, Long, Meacham, Pearce, Pope, Potter, and Sturtevant—12.

So the motion to suspend the rules was lost.

The hour having arrived when the Senate should proceed to vote in conformity to the law, in such case made and provided, for a Senator in the Congress of the United States, to fill the vacancy which will occur on the 4th of March next in that body, nominations were declared in order, when the following nominations were made:

Mr. Eagan nominated E. M. Cheney.

Mr. Johnson nominated H. Bisbee, Jr.

Mr. Jenkins nominated T. W. Osborn.

Mr. Sturtevant nominated W. H. Gleason.

Mr. Hill nominated R. Meacham.

Mr. McCaskill nominated A. Ginn.

Mr. Crawford nominated D. S. Walker.

Mr. McKinnon nominated T. T. Long.

Mr. Long nominated S. B. Conover.

Mr. Dennis nominated General Sanford.

Mr. Billings nominated Harrison Reed.

Mr. Meacham nominated Samuel Small.

The roll was called with the following result:

For David S. Walker—Messrs. Crawford, Fortner, Ginn, Henderson, Knight, McAuley, and Smith—7.

For E. M. Cheney—Messrs. Dennis, Eagan, and Pope—3.

For T. W. Osborn—Messrs. Jenkins and Locke—2.

For W. H. Gleason—Messrs. Potter and Sturtevant—2.

For S. B. Conover—Messrs. Long and Pearce—2.

For Harrison Reed—Mr. Billings—1.

For R. Meacham—Mr. Hill—1.

For H. Bisbee, Jr.—Mr. Johnson—1.

For A. Ginn—Mr. McCaskill—1.

For T. T. Long—Mr. McKinnon—1.

For Samuel Small—Mr. Meacham—1.

For —Mr. Oliveros—1.

No candidate received a majority of the votes cast.

On motion of Mr. Henderson the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22, 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, Dennis, Fortner, Ginn, Hill, Johnson, Knight, Locke, Long, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Meacham, Oliveros, Pearce, Pope, Potter, Smith, Sturtevant, and Sutton—21.

A quorum present.

The journal was read and approved.

Mr. Potter offered the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That editors and reporters of newspapers be admitted to this floor, and that the Sergeant-at-arms provide a desk and seat for the use of any reporter wishing the same.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Locke asked leave to introduce Senate Bill No. 19:

To be entitled An act to amend an act to Provide for the Creation of Corporations and to Prescribe their General Powers and Liabilities,

Which was placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Potter asked leave to introduce Senate Bill No. 20:

To be entitled An act to Authorize the Pensacola and Louisville Railroad Company of Florida to Construct and Operate a Telegraph Line in the County of Escambia,

Which was placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Pope asked leave to introduce Senate Bill No. 21:

To be entitled An act to Repeal all Acts Declaring Robinson Spring Creek, in Jackson county, Navigable,

Which was placed among the orders of the day.

## ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Senate Bill No. 17:

To be entitled An act for the Relief of W. H. Milton, State's Attorney, First Judicial Circuit,  
Came up on its first reading.

On motion of Mr. Potter the bill was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Senate Bill No. 18:

To be entitled An act in relation to Comptroller's and Treasurer's Warrants,

Came up on its first reading.

On motion of Mr. Eagan the bill was referred to Committee on Finance and Taxation.

Senate Bill No. 19:

To be entitled An act to amend an act to Provide for the Creation of Corporations, and to Prescribe their General Powers and Liabilities,

Came up on its first reading and was referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 20:

To be entitled An act to Authorize the Pensacola and Louisville Railroad Company of Florida to Construct and Operate a Telegraph Line in the County of Escambia,

Was read first time and referred to the Committee on Railroads and Telegraphs.

Senate Bill No. 21:

To be entitled An act to Repeal all Acts Declaring Robinson Spring Creek, in Jackson county, Navigable;

Was read first time and referred to the Committee on Commerce and Navigation.

On motion of Mr. Billings the Senate went into Executive session.

The doors were opened.

Mr. Pearce moved that the Senate take a recess until 10 minutes before 12 o'clock;

Which was agreed to.

The Senate re-assembled at the hour appointed.

Mr. Potter offered the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Secretary be instructed to give notice to the Assembly that the Senate is now ready to meet the Assembly in joint session to proceed to an election for United States Senator;

Which was adopted.

A committee from the Assembly was announced and reported that the Assembly was ready to go into joint convention at 12 o'clock m. for the purpose of electing a United States Senator.

The hour of 12 having arrived, the Senate proceeded in a body to the Assembly Hall for the purpose of considering the question of voting for a United States Senator.

At 12 o'clock m. the Senate entered the Assembly Hall.

Hon. M. L. Stearns, President of the Senate, took the chair.

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

Messrs. Billings, Crawford, Dennis, Eagan, Fortner, Ginn, Henderson, Hill, Jenkins, Johnson, Knight, Locke, Long, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Meacham, Oliveros, Pearce, Pope, Potter, Smith, Sturtevant, and Sutton—24.

Upon the call of the Assembly roll fifty-three members answered to their names.

A quorum present.

The Chairman declared the joint meeting organized.

The reading of yesterday's journal was ordered.

The Senate proceedings of yesterday, in relation to the vote for United States Senator, was read.

The hour having arrived when the Senate should proceed to vote in conformity to the law, in such case made and provided, for a Senator in the Congress of the United States, to fill the vacancy which will occur on the 4th of March next in that body, nominations were declared in order, when the following nominations were made:

Mr. Eagan nominated E. M. Cheney.

Mr. Johnson nominated H. Bisbee, Jr.

Mr. Jenkins nominated T. W. Osborn.

Mr. Sturtevant nominated W. H. Gleason.

Mr. Hill nominated R. Meacham.

Mr. McCaskill nominated A. Ginn.

Mr. Crawford nominated D. S. Walker.

Mr. Smith nominated T. T. Long.

Mr. Long nominated S. B. Conover.

Mr. Dennis nominated General Sanford.

Mr. Billings nominated Harrison Reed.

Mr. Meacham nominated Samuel Small.

The roll was called with the following result:

For David S. Walker—Messrs. Crawford, Fortner, Ginn, Henderson, Knight, McAuley, and Smith—7.

For E. M. Cheney—Messrs. Dennis, Eagan, and Pope—3.

For T. W. Osborn—Messrs. Jenkins and Locke—2.

For W. H. Gleason—Messrs. Potter and Sturtevant—2.

For S. B. Conover—Messrs. Long and Pearce—2.

For Harrison Reed—Mr. Billings—1.

For R. Meacham—Mr. Hill—1.

For H. Bisbee, Jr.—Mr. Johnson—1.

For A. Ginn—Mr. McCaskill—1.

For T. T. Long—Mr. McKinnon—1.

For Samuel Small—Mr. Meacham—1.

For —Mr. Oliveros—1.

No candidate received a majority of the votes cast.

On motion of Mr. Henderson the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow.

Yesterday's proceedings of the Assembly were also read.

Senator Billings offered the following:

*Resolved*, That no persons other than members of the Legislature and the officers thereof, and reporters, be admitted within the bar of the Assembly Hall during the balloting for United States Senator during this session of the Legislature.

Which was read.

Senator Jenkins offered the following amendment:

Excepting those to whom the privileges of the floor in either House has heretofore been granted;

Upon which the yeas and nays were called for and were:

The vote of the Senate was—

Yeas—Messrs. Dennis, Jenkins, and Johnson—3.

Nays—Messrs. Billings, Crawford, Eagan, Fortner, Ginn, Henderson, Hill, Knight, Locke, Long, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Meacham, Oliveros, Pearce, Pope, Potter, Smith, Sturtevant, and Sutton—21.

The vote of the Assembly was—

Yeas—22.

Nays—29.

So the amendment was lost.

The original resolution was then adopted.

The Sergeant-at-arms was ordered to clear the hall.

On motion of Senator Henderson a desk was provided for reporters.

On motion, the joint meeting proceeded to the election of United States Senator.

The vote was:

For Reed—Senate, Messrs. Billings and Pearce, 2; Assembly, 0. Total, 2.

For Douglas—Senate, Mr. Crawford, 1; Assembly, 4. Total, 5.

For Cheney—Senate, Messrs. Dennis and Pope, 2; Assembly, 4. Total, 6.

For Bisbee—Senate, Messrs. Eagan, Johnson, and Potter, 3; Assembly, 2. Total, 5.

For Billings—Senate, Messrs. Fortner and McAuley, 2; Assembly, 0. Total, 2.

For Call—Senate, Mr. Ginn, 1; Assembly, 0. Total, 1.

For Walker—Senate, Messrs. Henderson and Sutton, 2; Assembly, 6. Total, 8.

For McCall—Senate, Mr. Oliveros, 1; Assembly, 3. Total, 4.

For Meacham—Senate, Mr. Hill, 1; Assembly, 8. Total, 9.  
For Osborn—Senate, Messrs. Jenkins and Locke, 2; Assembly, 4. Total, 6.

For Henderson—Senate, Mr. Knight, 1; Assembly, 7. Total, 8.

For Conover—Senate, Mr. Long, 1; Assembly, 11. Total, 12.

For Stanley—Senate, Messrs. McCaskill, McKinnon, and Smith, 3; Assembly, 2. Total, 5.

For Scott—Senate, Mr. Meacham, 1; Assembly, 1. Total, 2.

For Gleason—Senate, Mr. Sturtevant, 1; Assembly, 0. Total, 1.

For Day—Senate, None, 0; Assembly, 1. Total, 1.

The President announced that there was no election, neither of the candidates having received the Constitutional majority.

On motion of Senator Henderson the joint meeting adjourned.

The Senate returned from the Assembly Hall at 1 o'clock p. m., and on motion of Mr. Henderson adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

#### THURSDAY, JANUARY 23, 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, Fortner, Ginn, Henderson, Hill, Jenkins, Johnson, Knight, Long, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Oliveros, Pearce, Pope, Smith, Sturtevant, and Sutton—19.

A quorum present.

The journal was read and approved.

The following communication was received from the Assembly:

ASSEMBLY HALL,  
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., January 21, 1873. }

*Hon. M. L. Stearns, President of the Senate:*

Sir: I am directed by the Assembly to inform the Senate that the Assembly has this day passed—

Assembly Joint Resolution relating to taxation and revenue.

Also;

Senate Bill No. 12:

To change the name of Brown's Theological Institute.

Very respectfully,

H. S. HARMON,  
Clerk of the Assembly.