

The following minority report was made:

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., February 14, 1873.

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

SIR: The minority of your Committee on Public Printing beg leave to make this their report on the following bill, An act to repeal an act Concerning Official and Legal Advertisements:

That the requirements of this act proposed to be repealed are onerous indeed, by forcing the public to patronize newspapers published at a great distance from the locality interested in the publication, which have no local circulation, paying therefor frequently exorbitant rates; that it is a partizan act, unconstitutional and proscriptive in its provisions, and is a burden bearing heavily on the people, and therefore recommend that the bill do pass.

Respectfully,

B. F. OLIVEROS,  
A. L. McCASKILL,  
Minority of Committee.

Which was read and, on motion of Mr. Henderson, Assembly Bill No. 35, a bill to Provide for Official Advertisements, was taken up and read the second time.

Mr. Henderson moved that the rules be waived and the bill read the third time.

Objections being raised the roll was called with the following result:

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

Nays—Messrs. Dennis, Eagan, Hill, Jenkins, Johnson, Long, Meacham, Pearce, Potter, Sturtevant, and Sutton—11.

It requiring a two-thirds vote to suspend the rules, the motion was lost.

Mr. Henderson moved that the bill be made the special order for to-morrow morning at 10:20 A. M.

Objections being raised, the roll was called with the following result:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Crawford, Fortner, Ginn, Henderson, Knight, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Oliveros, Smith, and Sutton—12.

Nays—Messrs. Dennis, Eagan, Hill, Jenkins, Johnson, Long, Meacham, Pearce, Pope, Potter, and Sturtevant—11.

So the motion was lost.

Mr. Dennis moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed,

Which was objected to.

Mr. Henderson asked that the Chair rule that any Senator having a pecuniary interest in the publication of any of the

official newspapers in this State, shall not be allowed to vote upon the question of the indefinite postponement of the passage of Assembly Bill No. 35, An act to Repeal an act with Reference to Legal Advertising.

The Chair ruled that he did not feel authorized to deprive any Senator of his vote on that ground.

Upon the question of postponement—Shall the bill be postponed?

The vote was—

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

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

So the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Johnson moved that the Senate go into Executive session;

Which was not agreed to.

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

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 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, Eagan, Fortner, Ginn, Henderson, Hill, Jenkins, Johnson, Knight, Long, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Meacham, Oliveros, Pearce, Pope, Potter, Smith, Sturtevant, and Sutton—23.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

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

The following communication was received from the Assembly:

ASSEMBLY HALL,  
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., February 15, 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 Bill No. 70:

To be entitled An act for the Relief of A. B. Hawkins and others;

Senate Bill No 60:  
Entitled An act in Relation to the Time of Holding the Courts  
in the Fourth Judicial Circuit of Florida.

Very Respectfully,

H. S. HARMON,  
Clerk of the Assembly.

The accompanying Assembly bills were placed among the orders of the day, and the Senate bills ordered to be enrolled.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

The following Executive nominations were confirmed:

Alexander C. Blount, to be County Judge of Escambia county.

George S. Wells, to be Sheriff of Escambia county, re-appointed.

Edwin R. Panin, to be Collector of Revenue for Escambia county, vice A. B. Munn, removed.

Benjamin C. Peters, to be Harbor-master at Pensacola.

William W. Carr, Thomas Harrold, George H. O'Neal, David Crocket, and Frank Sawress, to be Pilot Commissioners at Pensacola.

R. A. Stearns, to be Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for Escambia county, vice Eugene McConnin, removed.

Andrew Alexander, to be Collector of Revenue for Volusia county.

Leonard Odom, to be Assessor of Revenue for Volusia county.

John Dickens, to be Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for Volusia county.

David R. Townsend, to be County Judge of Lafayette county.

Mr. Henderson offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, There are vacancies existing in many of the offices of this State; and whereas, the hour for the adjournment of the Legislature is drawing near; therefore,

*Resolved by the Senate,* That the Governor be requested to send to the Senate nominations to all the various vacant offices in this State to which the advice and consent of the Senate is required by law, so that they may be considered by the Senate;

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—Messrs. Crawford, Fortner, Ginn, Henderson, Johnson, Knight, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Oliveros, Pearce, and Sutton—12.

Nays—Messrs. Eagan, Hill, Long, Meacham, Potter, and Sturtevant—6.

And, on motion, was ordered to be spread upon the journals of to-day.

The following Executive nominations were rejected:

Abraham Lawrence, to be Assessor of Taxes for Bradford county.

W. D. Sears, to be Sheriff of Lafayette county.

Minor Jones, to be Assessor of Taxes for Brevard county.

Minor Jones, to be Collector of Revenue for Brevard county.

James Payne, Jr., to be Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for Brevard county.

Doors were opened.

Mr. Eagan moved that the rules be waived and the appropriation bill read the first time by its title;

Which was unanimously agreed to and the bill was read.

Mr. Meacham moved that the rules be waived and the bill be put upon its second reading;

Which was unanimously agreed to.

Mr. Henderson moved to amend the bill by striking out all that part of the bill that gives the Clerk of the Supreme Court \$96 for cancellation of scrip;

Which was agreed to.

The following communication was received from the Assembly:

ASSEMBLY HALL,  
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., February 15, 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 adopted the following resolution:

Concurrent Resolution in relation to Adjournment.

Very respectfully,

H. S. HARMON,  
Clerk of the Assembly.

*Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring,* That the concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature fixing the day of the adjournment of the present session at 12 M. this day is hereby rescinded.

*Be it further resolved,* That both branches of the Legislature shall stand adjourned *sine die* on Wednesday, 19th inst., at 12 o'clock meridian.

Pending the reading of the bill Mr. Meacham moved that the further reading of the bill be dispensed with and the Senate take up Assembly Concurrent Resolution in Relation to adjournment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Billings moved that the Senate concur in the Assembly

resolution in relation to adjournment on Wednesday, February 19th,

Which was agreed to, and the action of the Senate thereon ordered to be certified to the Assembly.

An Executive message was received from the Governor.

The following message was received from the Assembly:

ASSEMBLY HALL,  
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., February 15, 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 Bill entitled An act to amend an act entitled an act Providing for Setting Apart a Homestead and Personal Property to be Exempted from Forced Sale.

Assembly Bill entitled An act to Change the Times and Days of Holding the Circuit Courts within and for the First and Seventh Judicial Circuits.

Assembly Bill entitled An act to Legalize the City Government of Jacksonville.

Assembly Bill to be entitled An act Concerning Corporations.

Assembly Bill to be entitled An act to amend an act entitled an act for the Assessment and Collection of Revenue in this State, which became a Law February 29, 1872.

Assembly Bill to be entitled An act in Relation to Contested Election of Members of the Senate and Assembly.

Senate Bill No 71, An act Taxing Telegraph Lines.

Very respectfully,

H. S. HARMON,  
Clerk of the Assembly.

Which was read, the accompanying Assembly bills placed among the orders of the day, and the Senate bills ordered to be enrolled.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, February 15, 1873.

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

SIR: Your committee to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 51:

An act to Incorporate the West Florida Boom Company; and

Senate Bill No. 72:

An act entitled an act to amend Chapter 1931 of the Laws of Florida, and beg leave to report that they have examined the same and find them correctly engrossed.

Respectfully,

E. T. STURTEVANT, Chairman.

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

The following messages were received from the Assembly:

ASSEMBLY HALL,  
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., February 14, 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 Bill No. 80, to be entitled An act making Appropriations for Defraying the Expenses of the State Government during the year 1873, and for other purposes.

Very respectfully,

H. S. HARMON,  
Clerk of the Assembly.

ASSEMBLY HALL,  
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., February 14, 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 the following bills:

Assembly Bill No. 81:

Entitled An act to amend an act for the Assessment of Revenue in this State, &c.

Assembly Bill No. 73:

An act to be entitled An act for the Relief of James H. Wentworth.

Assembly Bill No. 42:

A bill to repeal Certain Acts therein named in Relation to Insurance Companies.

Assembly Bill No. —:

A bill entitled An act to Fix and Regulate the Fees and Per Diem of Certain Officers herein designated.

Assembly Bill No. —:

A bill to be entitled An act to prevent State Officers from holding Federal Positions.

Assembly Bill No. —:

A bill authorizing the Comptroller to Settle with the National Bank Note Company and to authorize the Comptroller to Sign the Greenback Scrip.

Senate Bill No. 74:

An act entitled An act with reference to Certain *ad interim* Appointments.

Very respectfully,

H. S. HARMON,  
Clerk of the Assembly.

Which was read and the accompanying Assembly bills placed

among the orders of the day, and the Senate bills ordered to be enrolled.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,  
TALLAHASSEE, February 15, 1873. }

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

SIR: Your committee to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 60, entitled An act in Relation to the Time of Holding the Courts in the Fourth Judicial Circuit of Florida, beg leave to report that they have examined the same and find it correctly enrolled.

Respectfully,

HIRAM POTTER, Chairman.

Which was read.

The special committee to whom was referred concurrent resolution in relation to the management of the Internal Improvement Fund, made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,  
TALLAHASSEE, February 15, 1873. }

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

SIR: The joint special committee to whom was referred the concurrent resolution of the Legislature in relation to the management of the Internal Improvement Fund, beg leave to submit the following report:

Your committee have found the work of investigating the charges contained in the resolution to be such as to require the most careful attention of the committee and more time than the session has allowed. It would occupy many weeks of incessant investigation to fully comply with the purpose of the resolution. Such testimony has been taken as was readily at hand, which, however, is mostly *ex parte*, and concerns the execution of contracts for lands between the Trustees and the parties contracting. The evidence is imperfect and incomplete, and not sufficient to justify any opinion by the committee. The committee find that a full judicial investigation is now pending in relation to the entire subject matter of the resolution, and that testimony is now being taken by a Master in Chancery.

The committee are therefore of the opinion that they are unable to present a report which will in any manner justify and impartially meet the objects of the resolution, and that without further time, more careful and extended investigation, they are

not warranted in passing upon the evidence already before them.

Your committee therefore ask to be discharged.

Very respectfully,

HORATIO JENKINS, Chairman.

M. A. KNIGHT,

Of the Senate.

JOHN R. SCOTT,

WM. PEELER,

WM. W. J. KELLY,

Of the Assembly.

Which was adopted and ordered to be spread upon the journals.

Mr. Henderson moved that the Appropriation Bill be referred to the Joint Committee on Appropriations for report, and he made the special order for Monday at 11 o'clock A. M.

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Pearce, the Senate took a recess until 3 o'clock P. M.

THREE O'CLOCK P. M.

The Senate re-assembled.

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, Knight, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Pearce, Pope, Potter, Smith, Sturtevant, and Sutton—18.

Assembly Bill No. —:

A bill to be entitled An act to Fix and Regulate the Fees and Per Diem of Certain Officers herein designated,

Came up and, on motion of Mr. Billings, the rules were unanimously waived, and the bill was read the first time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Knight the rules were unanimously waived, and the bill was read the second time.

Mr. McCaskill moved to amend the eighth section by striking out the words "five cents" and inserting "three cents,"

Which was not agreed to.

Pending the reading of the bill an Executive message was received from the Governor.

Mr. McCaskill moved to amend the eighth section by inserting "for boat and hand hire \$2 per day";

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. McCaskill moved to amend section twelve by striking out the words "and mileage going and returning at ten cents a mile," also the words "exclusive of mileage."

The roll was called with the following result :

Yeas—Messrs. Crawford, Fortner, Ginn, Johnson, Knight, McAuley, McCaskill, and McKimmon—8.

Nays—Messrs. Billings, Dennis, Eagan, Hill, Jenkins, Long, Oliveros, Pearce, Pope, Potter, Smith, Sturtevant, and Sutton—13.

So the motion was not agreed to.

Mr. McCaskill moved to amend section twelve as follows:

To strike out "three" and insert "one and one-half;" strike out "two" and insert "one;"

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Pearce the rules were unanimously waived, the bill read the third time and put upon its passage.

Upon the question—Shall the bill pass?

The vote was—

Yeas—Messrs. Billings, Crawford, Eagan, Fortner, Ginn, Hill, Jenkins, Knight, Long, McAuley, McCaskill, McKimmon, Pearce, Pope, Sturtevant, and Sutton—16.

Nays—Messrs. Dennis, Johnson, and Oliveros—3.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

The following Executive messages were received from the Governor:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,  
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., February 15, 1873. }

SIR: I have to acknowledge the receipt of Senate resolution of this date requesting me to send to the Senate "appointments to every vacancy in office now existing which is required to be filled with the advice and consent of the Senate, so that they may be considered by the Senate."

Anxious as I am to have all the vacancies, in cases requiring the action of the Senate, filled with the advice and consent of the Senate, I have made appointments from time to time as provided in the Constitution, and sent them to the Senate, and will continue to do so whenever in the course of the multitudinous and pressing duties of this department the cases can be reached, investigated, and prepared without detriment to other equally important duties required of me by the Constitution and laws.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully,

O. B. HART, Governor.

HON. M. L. STEARNS,  
President of the Senate.

Also:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,  
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., February 14, 1873. }

SIR: I have this day approved and deposited in the office of

the Secretary of State the following bills originating in the Senate, viz.:

An act to repeal an act to Incorporate the Passenger and Freight Street Car Rail Company, approved February 14, 1870.

An act in Relation to Wharfage.

An act for the Relief of Messrs. Walker and Baker, and T. W. Brevard, Attorneys at Law.

An act in Relation to Tax on Soda Fountains.

An act for the Relief of A. D. Rogero, late Sheriff of St. Johns County.

An act to Define the Boundaries of Washington County.

An act to Define the Boundary of Jackson County.

Very respectfully,

O. B. HART, Governor.

HON. M. L. STEARNS,  
President of the Senate.

Also:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,  
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., February 15, 1873. }

SIR: I have this day approved and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State a bill originating in the Senate entitled An act to authorize the Pensacola and Louisville Railroad Company to Construct, Own, and Operate a Telegraph Line upon their Right of Way.

Very respectfully,

O. B. HART, Governor.

HON. M. L. STEARNS,  
President of the Senate.

Mr. Jenkins introduced the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Comptroller of Public Accounts be invited to explain his views on the question of the State finances, before the Senate, at 7:30 o'clock;

Which was adopted.

The following communication was received from the Governor:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,  
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., February 14, 1873. }

SIR: I return herewith, without my approval, a bill originating in the Senate entitled An act to repeal an act to Provide for the Protection of the Citizens of this State against Defaulting Foreign Corporations.

The act thus attempted to be repealed is, in my judgment, a salutary one. It provides for compelling insurance companies of other States having agencies in this State, and making and withdrawing from the State enormous profits out of its people, to have

property in the State that can be attached under the laws of the State in case of default in payment of policies or other debts.

The policy of taxing such corporations is a good one, even to the full extent of all their profits made here. Should such a policy tend to their entire withdrawal from the State, I do not know that any harm would result to the people therefrom. But it does not so result elsewhere, and would not here.

Some companies have complied with this law, and they ought now to have whatever benefits may legitimately result from their act.

Very respectfully,

O. B. HART, Governor.

HON. M. L. STEARNS,  
President of the Senate.

Mr. Oliveros moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until Monday at 12 o'clock;

Which was agreed to.

The following communication from the Governor was received:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,  
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., February 14, 1873. }

SIR: I return herewith without my approval a bill originating in the Senate entitled "An act for the relief of William H. Milton, former States Attorney for the First Judicial District."

It appears from the bill that the State Attorney collected from one former sheriff \$578.13, and from another \$60, making \$638.13, and offered to pay the amount with a Comptroller's warrant for \$855.00, which offer failed "for the reason that it (the warrant) could not be paid in its present shape into the treasury in settlement of the amount collected by said State Attorney." I see no statement that these former sheriffs were indebted to the State, nor in what amount, nor what for, but am left to presume that they were so indebted and were delinquents, for the State Attorney made the collections in his official capacity. The sheriffs do not collect taxes, and the debts must have been for fines, forfeitures or licenses. There is no statement in the bill showing in what sort of funds those delinquent sheriffs had received the amount, nor in what the State Attorney received it from them, but only that he deposited a Comptroller's warrant for a certain larger sum. The Comptroller could not receive that warrant in settlement of the claim of the State against said delinquents, and gave a good reason for it. This bill proposes to take the settlement with the State Attorney out of the hands of the Comptroller, where it properly belongs, and to authorize the Treasurer to receive the said warrant in settlement of said claims (although the law by which the Comptroller was influenced in his said refusal may still be in force), and to pay (not by a warrant or certificate of indebtedness, for he is

not authorized to issue them) the said Milton the balance due on said warrant, which is \$216.87.

I humbly conceive that this course is in effect the setting aside by a new law the force of a former one without amending or repealing it, for the benefit of one, two, or three individuals, and the encouraging of speculations in Comptroller's warrants, and therefore I must decline to approve it.

Very respectfully,

O. B. HART, Governor.

HON. M. L. STEARNS,  
President of the Senate.

And on motion of Mr. McCaskill the consideration of the bill accompanying the message was deferred until Monday A. M.

Assembly Bill No. —:

An act to be entitled an act to Legalize the City Government of Jacksonville,

Came up, and was read the first time.

On motion of Mr. Jenkins, the rules were unanimously waived, and the bill read the second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Jenkins the rules were unanimously waived, and the bill read the third time and put upon its passage.

Upon the question—Shall the bill pass?

The vote was—

Yeas—Messrs. Billings, Crawford, Dennis, Eagan, Fortner, Ginn, Hill, Jenkins, Johnson, Knight, Long, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Oliveros, Pope, Potter, Smith, Sturtevant, and Sutton—20.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Assembly Bill No. 59:

An act to Change and Define the County Lines of Brevard and Orange Counties, and to Permanently Establish the County Lines of Orange County,

Came up and, on motion of Mr. Jenkins, the rules were unanimously waived, and the bill read the first time by its title.

On motion of Mr. McKinnon the rules were unanimously waived, and the bill read the second time.

On motion of Mr. McKinnon the rules were unanimously waived, the bill read the third time and put upon its passage.

Upon the question—Shall the bill pass?

The vote was—

Yeas—Messrs. Billings, Crawford, Dennis, Eagan, Fortner, Ginn, Hill, Jenkins, Johnson, Knight, Long, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Oliveros, Pope, Potter, Smith, Sturtevant, and Sutton—20.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Senate Bill No. 51, An act to Incorporate the West Florida Boom Company,

Came up, the bill read the third time, and put upon its passage.

Upon the question—Shall the bill pass?

The vote was—

Yeas—Messrs. Billings, Crawford, Eagan, Fortner, Ginn, Hill, Johnson, Knight, Long, McAuley, Oliveros, Pearce, Pope, Potter, Sturtevant, and Sutton—16.

Nays—Mr. Dennis—1.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Mr. Long moved to reconsider the vote taken yesterday on the indefinite postponement of Assembly Bill No. 35.

Mr. Dennis moved to lay the motion to reconsider on the table.

The roll was called with the following result:

Yeas—Messrs. Dennis, Eagan, Hill, Jenkins, Johnson, Long, Pope, Potter, and Sturtevant—9.

Nays—Messrs. Crawford, Fortner, Ginn, Knight, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Oliveros, Pearce, and Smith—10.

So the motion to lay on the table was lost.

Mr. Dennis moved to adjourn until Monday at ten o'clock.

The roll was called with the following result:

Yeas—Messrs. Dennis, Eagan, Hill, Jenkins, Johnson, Pope, Potter, and Sturtevant—8.

Nays—Messrs. Crawford, Fortner, Ginn, Knight, Long, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Oliveros, Pearce, Smith, and Sutton—12.

So the motion to adjourn was lost.

Mr. Long's motion to reconsider was then agreed to.

Mr. Johnson moved that the Senate adjourn until Monday at 10 o'clock.

The roll was called with the following result:

Yeas—Messrs. Dennis, Hill, Jenkins, Johnson, Long, Pope, and Potter—7.

Nays—Messrs. Crawford, Fortner, Ginn, Knight, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Oliveros, Pearce, Smith, Sturtevant, and Sutton—12.

So the motion to adjourn was lost.

Mr. Dennis moved that the further consideration of this subject be postponed until Tuesday, and made the special order at 11 o'clock.

The roll was called with the following result:

Yeas—Messrs. Dennis, Eagan, Hill, Jenkins, Johnson, and Potter—6.

Nays—Messrs. Crawford, Fortner, Ginn, Knight, Long, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Oliveros, Pearce, Smith, Sturtevant, and Sutton—13.

So the motion was lost.

Mr. Long moved to postpone the further consideration of the question until Monday;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. McCaskill moved that the question be made the special order for 11 o'clock Monday;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Long moved to adjourn until Monday at 10 o'clock.

The roll was called with the following result:

Yeas—Messrs. Dennis, Eagan, Hill, Jenkins, Johnson, Pope, Sturtevant, and Sutton—8.

Nays—Messrs. Crawford, Fortner, Ginn, Knight, Long, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Oliveros, Pearce, Smith, and Sutton—12.

Which was not agreed to.

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

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION.

The following Executive nominations were confirmed:

Daniel L. McKinnon, to be State Attorney for the First Judicial Circuit.

Oscar Hart, to be Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for Duval county.

The doors were opened.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the Senate adjourned until 10½ o'clock Monday morning.

#### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 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. Crawford, Fortner, Ginn, Henderson, Jenkins, Johnson, Knight, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Pope, Potter, Smith, Sturtevant, and Sutton—15.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

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

Mr. Henderson moved that the Funding bill be taken up from the table and referred back to the Committee on Finance and Taxation;

Which was agreed to.

The special committee to investigate the issue of State bonds made the following report: