

Mr. Long nominated S. B. Conover.

On proceeding to a vote, the following was the result:

For Wilkinson Call—Messrs. Barnes, Bryson, French, Genovar, Hagan, Hatcher, Johnson, Jones, Judge, Leslie, Lykes, McAuley, McClenney, McMeekin, McGuire, Niblack, Orman, Patterson, Richard, Speer, Thompson, Walker of the 23d, Walker of the 6th—23.

For L. G. Dennis—Mr. Walls—1.

For S. B. Conover—Messrs. Egan, Wallace, Long, Meacham—4.

For Joseph H. Durkee—Mr. Allen—1.

For H. S. Sanford—Mr. Durkee—1.

For L. Harrison—Mr. McKinnon—1.

Wilkinson Call received a majority of all the votes cast.

The Senate then went into executive session.

Mr. Thompson, from the Committee on Incorporations, made the following report:

HON. NOBLE A. HULL,

President of the Senate:

SIR—The committee to whom was referred—

Senate bill No. 35:

An act to be entitled an act for the Incorporation of the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Florida,

Have examined the same and recommend that it be passed.

Very Respectfully,

W. N. THOMPSON.

Which was read and the bill placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Thompson moved that Mr. Wallace's name be substituted for that of Mr. Jones of 8th District on all committees on which Mr. Jones was placed;

Which was agreed to.

The President appointed Messrs. Thompson and French a committee under the resolution for the appointment of a committee to examine into the State Asylum and State Prison.

Mr. Durkee offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, There have been doubts expressed as to the true meaning and intent of Rules 23, 24, 25, 26 and 27 of the Standing Rules of this Senate in relation to resolutions;

Resolved, That the President *pro tem.* of the Senate be instructed to appoint a Special Committee on Rules to take into consideration what revision of the Standing Rules of the Senate are necessary, if any, and report to this Senate;

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Lykes, the Senate adjourned until 10 A. M. to-morrow.

CONFIRMATIONS.

R. A. Shine, to be Assessor of Revenue for Leon county.

C. C. Peace, to be Collector of Taxes for Leon county.

WEDNESDAY, January 22, 1879.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President *pro tem.* in the chair.

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

Messrs. Allen, Barnes, Bryson, Egan, French, Genovar, Hagan, Hatcher, Johnson, Jones, Long, McAuley, McMeekin, McKinnon, Niblack, Orman, Patterson, Speer, Walker of 23rd, Walker of 6th and Walls—21.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Egan, the reading of the journal was dispensed with and the journal corrected and approved.

The following communication was received from the Assembly:

ASSEMBLY HALL, TALLAHASSEE, January 22, 1879.

HON. NOBLE A. HULL,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the Assembly to inform the Senate that the Assembly has adopted Assembly memorial, asking the Congress of the United States for an appropriation for the purpose of having made a survey of the Withlacoochee river, and respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk of the Assembly.

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

Also the following:

ASSEMBLY HALL, TALLAHASSEE, January 22, 1879.

HON. NOBLE A. HULL,

President of the Senate:

SIR: I am directed by the Assembly to inform the Senate that the Assembly has passed Assembly bill No. 22:

To be entitled an act in reference to lands bought in by the State for taxes, approved December 14, 1861, and to amend an act entitled an act to quiet tax titles to lands, approved February 27, 1872, and respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk of the Assembly.

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

Also the following :

ASSEMBLY HALL, TALLAHASSEE, January 22, 1879.

HON. NOBLE A. HULL,
President of the Senate :

SIR: I am directed by the Assembly to inform the Senate that the Assembly has adopted Assembly joint resolution No. 6, asking the Congress of the United States to establish a life saving station at Cape San Blas, in Calhoun county, and respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk of the Assembly.

Which was read and the accompanying joint resolution placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Lykes presented Senate bill No. 36, to be entitled an act to provide for the Payment of Mileage to Jurors and Witnesses at the Spring Term of 1877 of the Circuit Court in the several counties in this State ;

Which was read, and referred to the Committee on Finance and Taxation.

Mr. McMeeKin, from the Committee on Agriculture, made the following report :

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., January 22, 1879. }

HON. W. D. BARNES,
President pro tem. of the Senate :

SIR: The Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 28, to be entitled an act for the Protection of Owners of Cattle, find that there is a law covering all the provisions of this bill, and therefore respectfully recommend that it does not pass.

F. M. McMEEKIN, Chairman

Which was read.

Senate bill No. 28 was placed among the orders of the day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Assembly Memorial No. 9:
To have an appropriation made for the survey of the Withlacoochee river,
Was read the first time and referred to Committee on Commerce and Navigation.

Assembly Joint Resolution No. 6:
Asking the Congress of the United States to establish a Life Saving Station at Cape St. Blas, Calhoun County,
Was read the first time and referred to Committee on Commerce and Navigation.

Joint Resolution No. 7:
Relating to calling a Constitutional Convention,
Was read and adopted.

Assembly Bill No. 22:
An act to repeal an act entitled an act in reference to lands bought in by the State for taxes, approved December 14, 1861, and to amend an act entitled an act to quiet tax titles to lands, approved February 7, 1872,
Was read the first time by its title and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The President announced that he had appointed the following standing committees :

Committee on Post Routes :

Messrs. MCGUIRE, McCLENNY,
LESLIE, ALLEN,
MEACHAM.

Committee on Rules :

Messrs. MCKINNON, LYKES,
DURKEE.

The Senate then went into executive session.
On the doors being opened,
Senate Bill No. 35:
Entitled an act for the incorporation of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Florida,
Was taken up and its further consideration postponed until to-morrow.

Mr. Eagan moved that the Secretary of the Senate be instructed to notify the Assembly and also the Governor of the election, on 21st, of Mr. Barnes as President *pro tem.* of the Senate ;

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. McKinnon, the Senate took a recess until 5 minutes before 12 M.

The Senate was called to order at 11:55 A. M.

The Senate being informed by their Sargeant-at-Arms that the Assembly was ready to receive the Senate for the purpose of declaring the result of the vote for United States Senator, proceeded to the Assembly Hall.

The President took the chair.

The rolls of the Senate and Assembly were called, and a quorum present.

The journals of both Houses, so far as they related to the vote for United States Senator on yesterday, were read and approved.

The President announced that the Hon. Wilkinson Call, having received a majority of all the votes cast in each House, in the Senate and the Assembly on yesterday, was duly declared elected United States Senator to fill the vacancy occasioned by the expiration of the term of Hon. S. B. Conover on the 4th of March next.

Mr. Walker of 23rd moved that a committee of three be appointed to inform the Hon. Wilkinson Call of his election as U. S. Senator;

Which was agreed to.

Messrs. Walker of 23rd, McClellan and Dennis, were appointed said committee.

Mr. Dennis moved that a committee, also, be appointed to inform his Excellency, the Governor, of the election of Mr. Call, on which the President appointed the same committee.

The committee, after a brief interval, introduced the Hon. Wilkinson Call to the Joint Assembly and reported that they had performed the duties assigned them and asked to be discharged;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Call then addressed the Joint Assembly, accepting his election with appropriate remarks.

Mr. Meacham then moved that the Joint Assembly adjourn *sine die*;

Which was agreed to.

On the Senate assembling in the Senate Chamber, it was moved by Mr. McKinnon that the Senate adjourn till 10 o'clock to-morrow;

Which was agreed to and the Senate adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 23, 1879.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President *pro tem.* in the chair.

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

Messrs. Allen, Barnes, French, Genovar, Johnson, Long, Lykes, McClenny, McMeekin, McGuire, McKinnon, Niblack, Patterson, Richard, Speer, Walls and Wallace—17.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

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

Mr. Hatcher presented a memorial in relation to a Branch of the United States Land Office in Walton county;

Which was placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Allen presented the petition of Geo. D. Allen, Collector of Revenue;

Which was placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Richard presented Senate bill No. 37, to be entitled an act to Incorporate the Black Creek and Starke Railroad and Steamboat Company;

Which was placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Allen presented Senate bill No. 38, to be entitled an act in relation to Marriages, and to provide for Proving and Recording Marriages in certain cases;

Which was placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. McAuley presented Senate bill No. 39, to be entitled an act to fix the Pay of Members of the Legislature, and Officers and Attaches;

Which was placed among the orders of the day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Senate bill No. 35:

To be entitled an act for the Incorporation of the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Florida, Was taken up for its second reading.

Mr. McKinnon moved to amend by striking out in section 5 the words "fifty thousand dollars" and insert "ten thousand dollars;"

Which was agreed to.

Mr. McMeekin moved that section 5 be further amended by the addition of the following words:

Provided, That no property except such as is used exclu-