

Mr. McKinnon offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Appropriations be requested to prepare a bill to provide for the payment of Tax Assessors who complied with the Governor's request in getting up the agricultural statistics of the State;

Which was adopted.

The President appointed Messrs. McClenny and Leslie a committee upon the part of the Senate under a concurrent resolution raising a committee to examine into outstanding engraved Comptroller's Warrants.

The Senate went into Executive session.

On the doors being opened, on motion of Mr. Orman, the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow.

CONFIRMATIONS.

John B. Anderson, Collector of Revenue for Jackson county.
Thomas E. Clark, Assessor of Taxes for Jackson county.

FRIDAY, January 31, 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:

Mr. President, Messrs. Allen, Barnes, Bryson, French, Genovar, Hagan, Johnson, Jones, Judge, Leslie, Long, Lykes, McClenny, McMeekin, McGuire, McKinnon, Meacham, Niblack, Orman, Patterson, Richard, Speer, Thompson, Walker of the 23d, Walls and Wallace—27.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Rev. H. B. McCallum.

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

Mr. Lykes in the chair.

Mr. Bryson made the following report:

HON. W. D. BARNES,

President pro tem. of the Senate:

SIR: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills respectfully report that they have examined Senate bill No. 16, to be entitled an act to enlarge the rights and obligations of married women;

Also, Senate bill No. 41, to be entitled an act fixing the times of holding the Circuit Court in the 6th Judicial Circuit;

Also, Senate bill No. 60, to be entitled an act for the relief of Dr. H. T. Paramore and the widow of Dr. S. M. Tucker;

Also, Senate bill No. 10, to be entitled an act to allow married women to testify in all civil cases and where their husbands are not disqualified, and found them correctly engrossed.

Respectfully,

W. BRYSON, JR., Chairman.

Which was read.

Mr. Orman made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, TALLAHASSEE, January 31, 1879.

HON. NOBLE A. HULL,

President of the Senate:

SIR: The committee on Public Lands, to whom was referred Joint Resolution No. 9, in regard to Swamp and Overflowed Lands, has examined the same, and recommend that it do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

W. T. ORMAN, Chairman.

Which was read, and Joint Resolution No. 9, in regard to Swamp and Overflowed Lands, was placed among the orders of the day.

President pro tem. in the chair

Mr. McKinnon made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, TALLAHASSEE, FLA., Jan. 31, 1879.

HON. NOBLE A. HULL,

President of the Senate:

SIR: The Joint Committee on Finance and Taxation to whom was referred a bill to be entitled an act in relation to the levy and collection of taxes, No. 57, beg leave to report that they have examined and considered the same, and respectfully recommend that it be passed.

Very respectfully,

A. D. MCKINNON, Chairman.

Which was read, and Bill No. 57, a bill to be entitled an act in relation to the Levy and Collection of Taxes, was placed among the orders of the day.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, TALLAHASSEE, January 31, 1879.

HON. NOBLE A. HULL,

President of the Senate:

SIR: The Joint Committee on Finance and Taxation, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 56, to be entitled an act to

prohibit Tax Collectors from collecting taxes on property that has perished or has been stolen, beg leave to report that they have carefully considered the same, and respectfully recommend that the said bill be indefinitely postponed.

Very respectfully,

A. D. McKINNON,

Chairman of Committee on Finance and Taxation.

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

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, TALLAHASSEE, January 31, 1879.

HON. NOBLE A. HULL,

President of the Senate:

SIR: The Joint Committee on Finance and Taxation, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 36, entitled a bill 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 Courts in the several counties in this State, beg leave to report that they have examined and considered the same, and respectfully recommend that said bill be passed.

Very respectfully,

A. D. McKINNON,

Chairman of Committee on Finance and Taxation.

Which was read, and Senate bill No. 36 placed among the orders of the day.

The Judiciary Committee made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, TALLAHASSEE, FLA., January 31, 1879.

HON. N. A. HULL,

President of the Senate:

SIR: The Judiciary Committee to whom were referred sundry bills, beg leave to report that they have had under consideration Senate bill No. 12, entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act in relation to trespasses; and,

Senate bill No. 61, entitled an act fixing the time for holding the Circuit Court in the Seventh Judicial Circuit, and report the same back with the recommendation that they do pass; also,

That they have had under consideration Senate bill No. 32, entitled an act to provide a remedy for those who suffer from the use of intoxicating liquors; and,

Senate bill No. 58, entitled an act to tax persons carrying arms secretly; and,

Senate bill No. 27, entitled an act for the better protection of the owners of domestic animals, and they report the same

back to the Senate with the recommendation that they do not pass; also,

That they have had under consideration Senate bill No. 38, entitled an act in relation to marriages, and to provide for proving and recording marriages in certain cases, and they report it back with the amendment hereto attached, and recommend that it do pass as thus amended.

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. BARNES, Chairman.

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL NO. 38.

Strike out all of said bill after the words "saw the marriage ceremony performed," on 3d page.

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

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Lykes in the chair.

Senate bill No. 29:

An act to authorize County Surveyors to appoint deputies, Was read a second time, amended by the addition of the following words to section 1: "And they shall make and subscribe the same form of oath as is required of Surveyors, which oath shall be filed in the office of said clerk," and ordered to be engrossed.

President *pro tem.* in the chair.

Senate bill No. 6:

An act imposing a tax and prescribing the mode of collecting the same on the privilege of selling wine, ardent spirits and malt liquors within the State of Florida,

Was taken up on its second reading.

Mr. McKinnon moved that the blank in line 3, section 2, be filled by inserting the word "clerk;"

Which was adopted.

Mr. Wallace moved the bill be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. McMeekin moved it be postponed until Monday.

Mr. McKinnon moved to amend by making it the special order of the day for 11 o'clock on Monday, February 3;

Which was agreed to.

Senate bill No. 36:

To be entitled an act to provide for the payment of mileage to jurors and witnesses at the spring term 1877, of the Circuit Court in the several counties of this State,

Was read the second time.

Mr. Orman moved to amend by inserting "fall term 1877, spring term 1878, and fall term 1878."

Mr. Lykes moved to lay the amendment on the table, upon which the yeas and nays were called for.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Lykes, Niblack, Richard, Thompson and Walker of the 6th—5.

Nays—Messrs. Allen, Barnes, Bryson Durkee, French, Genovar, Hagan, Hatcher, Johnson, Jones, Leslie, Long, McMeekin, McGuire, McKinnon, Meacham, Orman, Patterson, Sharpe, Speer, Walker of the 32d, Wallace and Walls—23.

So the motion to lay on the table was lost.

The question then being on the amendment offered by Mr. Orman,

Mr. Walker moved that the further consideration of this bill be postponed until to-morrow at 11 o'clock;

Which was agreed to.

The following communication was received from the Governor:

TALLAHASSEE, January 30, 1879.

HON. W. D. BARNES,

President pro tem. of the Senate:

I have deposited in the office of the Secretary of the State Concurrent Resolution asking for a mail route from Keysville in Hillsborough county to Pine Level in Manatee county.

Also, Resolution relative to a mail route from Troy to Anclote.

Respectfully,

GEO. F. DREW,
Governor.

Which was read.

The Senate took a recess for five minutes before going into Assembly Hall.

After which the Senate proceeded to the Assembly Hall for the purpose of electing a State Printer.

ASSEMBLY HALL.

The President *pro tem.* of the Senate in the chair.

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

Messrs. Allen, Barnes, Bryson, Durkee, French, Genovar, Hagan, Hatcher, Johnson, Jones, Judge, Leslie, Long, Lykes, McClenny, McMeekin, McGuire, McKinnon, Meacham, Niblack, Orman, Richard, Sharpe, Speer, Thompson, Walker of the 23d, Walker of the 6th, Walls and Wallace—29.

Quorum present.

The roll of the Assembly being called, the following members answered to their names:

Mr. Speaker, Messrs. Alexander, Arnau, Ashmore, Baker, Bell, Britt, Bryan, Bryant, Brush, Bullock, Carroll, Canova, Clary, Clyatt, Curry, Daniel, Dennis, Ewan, Ford, Fowler, Frazier, Frierson, Gabriel, Gardner, Goss, Grady, Harris, Harrison, Henderson, Hope, Ivey, Jones, Junius, Knight, Lee, Ledwith, McCarty, McClellan, Neel, Osgood, Patchin, Parker, Proctor, Redmond, Reed, Reynolds, Riddell, Rush, Scott of Duval, Scott of Gadsden, Sharon, Slone, Stanfill, Stewart, Thompson, Tidwell, Townsend, Trapp, Tuten, Wainwright, Waldron, Walker, Wallace, Westcott, White, Wilkins, Witherspoon and Yonge—68.

Quorum present.

The President announced that the joint session was for the purpose of electing a State Printer.

A number of nominations being made, the first ballot was made with the following result:

H. A. Crane received Senator Allen's vote—1. Total, 1.

G. A. Baltzell received Senator McKinnon's vote—1, and Assemblyman Stanfill's vote—1. Total, 2.

Those voting for N. K. Sawyer were Senators Durkee and Meacham—2. Assembly: Carroll, Goss, Junius, Lee, Osgood, Redmond, Reed, Scott of Duval, Tidwell, Walker and Witherspoon—11. Total, 13.

Those voting for H. B. McCallum were Senators Jones, Orman, Patterson, Richard and Walker of the 23d—5. Assembly: Mr. Speaker, Britt, Bullock, Daniel, Gainer, Knight, Patchin, Reynolds and Wainwright—9. Total, 14.

Those voting for C. E. Dyke were Senators Barnes, Bryson, Genovar, Johnson, Judge, McClenny, McMeekin, McGuire, Speer, Walker of the 6th and Walls—11. Assembly: Arnau, Ashmore, Bryan, Brush, Canova, Grady, Hope, McClellan, Neel, Rush, Westcott—11. Total, 22.

Those voting for C. A. Finley were Senators Long, Niblack and Sharpe—3. Assembly: Baker, Bell, Clyatt, Ewan, Fowler, Gardner, Ivey, McCarty, Parker, Scott of Gadsden, Stewart, Thompson, Townsend, Tuten, Waldron, White and Wilkins—17. Total, 20.

Those voting for T. K. Spencer were Senators Hagan, Leslie and Lykes—3. Assembly: Bryant, Curry, Frierson and Slone—4. Total, 7.

J. A. Whitney received Senator Thompson's vote—1. Total, 1.

J. B. Oliver received Senator French's vote—1, and Assemblyman Arnau—1. Total, 2.

E. Touart received Senator Hatcher's vote—1, and Assemblyman Robert's vote—1. Total, 2.

Those voting for F. J. Bedford were Assemblymen Clary, Harrison, Jones and Wallace—4. Total, 4.

W. M. Russell received Assemblyman Harris' vote—1. Total, 1.

Those voting for G. Burnside were Assemblymen Riddell and Trapp—2. Total, 2.

A. K. Russell received Assemblyman Ledwith's vote—1. Total, 1.

J. H. Stripling received Assemblyman Alexander's vote—1. Total, 1.

J. F. Clark received Assemblyman Gabriel's vote—1. Total, 1.

J. W. Dorr received Assemblyman Yonge's vote—1. Total, 1.

W. W. Keep, Jr., received Assemblyman Sharon's vote—1. Total, 1.

The Secretary of the Senate announced that 94 votes had been taken, as follows:

Dyke, 22; Finley, 20; Spencer, 7; Baltzell, 2; Oliver, 2; McCallum, 14; Sawyer, 13; Bedford, 4; Touart, 2; G. Burnside, 2. Crane, Whitney, Dorr, Clark, Stripling, Russell and Keep, each 1. No election.

SECOND BALLOT.

Those voting for Mr. McCallum were Senators Hagan, Jones, Orman, Patterson, Richard, Walker of the 23d—6. Assembly: Mr. Speaker, Messrs. Britt, Bullock, Daniel, Goss, Knight, Patchin, Reynolds, and Wainwright—9. Total, 15.

Those voting for Mr. Dyke were Senators Barnes, Bryson, French, Genovar, Johnson, Judge, Leslie, Lykes, McClenny, McMeekin, McGuire, Speer, Thompson, Walker of the 6th, Walls—15. Assembly: Arnow, Ashmore, Bryan, Brush, Canova, Clary, Grady, Hope, McClellan, Neel, Rush, Sharon, Stanfill, Trapp, Westcott, Yonge—16. Total, 31.

Those voting for Mr. Finley were Senators Hatcher, Long, McKinnon, Niblack, Sharpe—5. Assembly: Baker, Bell, Bryant, Clyatt, Curry, Ewan, Fowler, Frierson, Gardner, Harris, Harrison, Ivey, Jones, McCarty, Parker, Roberts, Scott of Gadsden, Sloan, Stewart, Thompson, Townsend, Tutin, Waldron, Wallace, White, Wilkins, Witherspoon—27. Total, 32.

Those voting for Mr. Sawyer were Senators Allen, Durkee, Meacham—3. Assembly: Alexander, Arnow of Alachua, Carroll, Ford, Gabriel, Junius, Lee, Ledwith, Osgood, Redmond, Reed, Riddell, Scott of Duvall, Tidwell, Walker—15. Total, 18.

The Secretary of the Senate announced the result of the joint ballot:

Finley, 32; Dyke, 31; McCallum, 15; Sawyer, 17. No election.

THIRD BALLOT.

Those voting for H. B. McCallum were, Senators Richard and Walker of 23rd—2. Assembly: Britt, Bullock, Daniel, Gainer, Goss, Knight, Reynolds and Wainwright—8. Total, 10.

N. K. Sawyer received Senator Durkee's vote. Assembly: Alexander, Dennis, Gabriel, Junius, Lee, Osgood, Redmond, Reed, Tidwell and Walker—10. Total, 11.

Those voting for C. A. Finley, were, Senators Hatcher, Long, McKinnon, Meacham, Niblack and Sharpe—6. Assembly: Mr. Speaker, Arnow, Baker, Bell, Bryant, Clyatt, Curry, Ewan, Fowler, Frierson, Gardner, Harris, Harrison, Ivey, Jones, Ledwith, McCarty, Parker, Patchin, Riddell, Roberts, Scott of Duval, Stone, Stewart, Thompson, Townsend, Tutin, Waldron, Wallace, White, Wilkins and Witherspoon—32. Total, 38.

Those voting for C. E. Dyke, were Senators Allen, Barnes, Bryson, French, Genovar, Hagan, Johnson, Jones, Judge, Leslie, Lykes, McClenny, McMeekin, McGuire, Orman, Patterson, Speer, Thompson, Walker of 6th and Walls—20. Assembly: Arnau, Ashmore, Bryan, Brush, Canova, Clary, Grady, Hope, McClellan, Neel, Rush, Sharon, Stanfill, Trapp, Westcott and Yonge—16. Total, 36.

Those voting blank, were Senator Wallace—1. Assembly: Ford and Proctor—2. Total, 3.

The Secretary of the Senate announced the result of the third joint ballot;

C. A. Finley, 38; C. E. Dyke, 36; N. K. Sawyer, 11; H. B. McCallum, 10; Blank, 3. Total, 98. No election.

FOURTH BALLOT.

Those voting for Mr. Dyke were Senators Allen—1. Barnes, Bryson, French, Genovar, Hagan, Johnson, Jones, Judge, Leslie, Lykes, McClenny, McMeekin, McGuire, Speer, Thompson, Walker of the 23d, Walker of 6th and Walls—19. Assembly: Messrs. Arnau, Ashmore, Bryan, Brush, Canova, Clary, Daniel, Grady, Hope, McClellan, Neel, Reynolds, Rush, Sharon, Stanfill, Westcott and Yonge—17. Total, 36.

Those voting for Mr. Finley were Senators Hatcher, Long, McKinnon, Meacham, Niblack, Orman, Patterson, Richard, Sharpe and Wallace—10. Assembly: Mr. Speaker, Messrs. Alexander, Arnow, Baker, Bell, Britt, Bryant, Bullock, Carroll, Clyatt, Curry, Dennis, Ewan, Fowler, Frierson, Gabriel,

Gainer, Gardner, Goss, Harris, Harrison, Ivey, Jones, Junius, Knight, Ledwith, McCarty, Osgood, Patchin, Parker, Proctor, Redmond, Riddell, Roberts, Scott of Duval, Slone, Stewart, Thompson, Tidwell, Townsend, Trapp, Tuten, Wainwright, Waldron, Wallace, White, Wilkins and Witherspoon—48. Total, 58.

Mr. N. K. Sawyer received Senator Durkee's vote—1. Assembly: Messrs. Lee, Reed and Walker—3. Total, 4.

The Secretary of the Senate announced the result of the 4th joint ballot as follows: C. A. Finley, 58 votes; C. E. Dyke, 36 votes; N. K. Sawyer, 4 votes. Total, 98 votes cast.

So C. A. Finley was declared elected State Printer for two years from the 23d of February, 1879.

The Joint Assembly then adjourned.

The Senate re-assembled in Senate chamber, when Mr. Long asked leave of absence for one week; which was granted him.

On motion, the Senate then adjourned till 10 o'clock tomorrow.

CONFIRMATIONS.

David S. Walker, to be Judge of the Second Judicial Circuit.

A. E. Maxwell, to be Judge of the First Judicial Circuit.

John Webb, to be Harbor Master of Pensacola.

J. C. Law, to be Clerk Circuit Court for Hernando county.

John G. Spottswood, to be Clerk Circuit Court for Manatee county.

Marion G. Carlton, to be Collector of Revenue for Manatee county.

John C. Bryson, to be Assessor of Taxes for Orange county.

SATURDAY, February 1, 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, Durkee, French, Genovar, Hagan, Hatcher, John-son, Jones, Judge, Leslie, Lyks, McClenny, McMeekin, McGuire, McKinnon, Meacham, Niblack, Orman, Patterson, Richard, Sharpe, Speer, Thompson, Walker of the 23d, Walker of the 6th, Walls and Wallace—29.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the chaplain.

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

Mr. Leslie offered Joint Resolution No. 17, memorializing Congress for the right of way through the Government lands of this State;

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

A committee from the Assembly, consisting of Messrs. Harris, Yonge and Thompson, informed the Senate that the Assembly had adjourned till Monday in respect to the bereavement of one of the Cabinet officers, Mr. Hugh A. Corley, who had just lost his wife.

Mr. Meacham asked to be excused from attendance till Tuesday morning;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. French asked that Messrs. Thompson, McClenny, and himself be excused for Monday and Tuesday, in order to attend to the examination into the State Prison and Asylum;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Walker of 23rd presented the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, The Senate has heard with extreme regret of the death of Mrs. Corley, the wife of Hon. Hugh A. Corley, Commissioner of Lands and Immigration, a lady widely known and esteemed for her many noble traits of character, and loved for her kind and gentle disposition;

Resolved, That in respect to the family of the deceased, the Senate adjourn till Monday next at 10 o'clock;

Thereupon the Senate adjourned.

MONDAY, February 3, 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:

Mr. President, Messrs. Allen, Barnes, Bryson, Durkee, Eagan, French, Genovar, Hagan, Hatcher, Johnson, Jones, Judge, Long, Lykes, McMeekin, McGuire, McKinnon, Niblack, Orman, Patterson, Richard, Sharpe, Speer, Walker of the 23d, Walker of the 6th, Walls and Wallace—28.

A quorum present.