

prepare a bill compelling Justices of the Peace to give bond before entering upon the duties of office.

Senator Lee offered to amend as follows:

Move as an amendment that the Judiciary Committee be directed to inquire into the advisability of preparing a bill compelling Justices of the Peace, etc;

Which was adopted.

The resolution as amended was adopted.

Mr. Henry Bush, Recording Clerk elect, being present was introduced and sworn in by Notary Public Wombwell.

Mr. Dell moved that all the members of the Florida press and the representatives of the Savannah *Morning News* be invited to seats within the bar.

Amended by Mr. Newsom, that the Sergeant-at-Arms be required to furnish a desk and seats for their accommodation.

Also amended by Senator Crill, that any members of the New York press who may be present during the session be included;

Which was adopted as amended.

Mr. Thompson was granted leave to introduce the following bill:

Senate Bill No. 18:

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate the registration of voters and holding of elections in incorporated cities in this State;

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

On motion of Mr. McKinnon, Mr. Jones was excused on account of sickness.

On motion of Mr. Polhill, the Senate adjourned until tomorrow morning 10 o'clock.

CONFIRMATIONS.

Joseph Malary for Sheriff of Walton county.

J. L. Parish for Collector of Revenue for Columbia county.

J. S. Parker, for Sheriff of Levy county.

S. M. Hawkins for Sheriff of Madison county.

Samuel H. Peacock for Assessor of Revenue for Taylor county.

J. K. Kimbrew for Clerk of Circuit Court for Taylor county.

TUESDAY, January 11, 1881.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

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

Messrs. Bryson, Chandler, Cole, Cone, Crawford, Crill, Delano, Dell, Duncan, Hatcher, Hendry, Jones, Judge, Lee, McClellan, McClenny, McKay, McKinne, McKinnon, Niblack, Polhill, Robinson, Sharpe, Speer, Thompson and Willard—26.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The Journal of yesterday was read, corrected and approved.

The following bills were introduced:

By Mr. Crawford:

Senate bill No. 19:

To be entitled an act to incorporate the Carabelle and Thomsville Railroad Company;

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

On motion of Mr. McKinne, and amended by Mr. McKinnon, the Sergeant-at-Arms was authorized to employ a suitable person to fill the place of Janitor Tom Mason during his sickness.

The following bills were introduced:

By Mr. McClellan:

Senate Bill No. 20:

To be entitled an act to change the name of Usay Smith to Usay Nelson, and to make Usay Smith an heir at law of R. W. Nelson;

Was read the first time by its title and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Also,

Senate bill No. 21:

To be entitled an act for the relief of A. Moseley, Sheriff of Leon county;

Was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. McKay:

Senate bill No. 22:

To be entitled an act relative to the practice of dentistry in this State;

Was read the first time by its title and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

On motion of Mr. McKay, Mr. Lykes was excused until Saturday morning.

Mr. McKinnon offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate be authorized to furnish to the chairmen of Standing Committees printed blank notices containing the names of the members of the committee, with notices of place and time of meeting ; and the chairman shall give due notice to each member of the time and place of meeting ;

Which, on motion of Mr. Bryson, was amended so as to include blank printed reports for committees, and adopted, as amended.

Mr. Delano offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Judiciary Committee be requested to report upon the advisability and necessity of passing an act in relation to railway accidents, and describing penalties thereto when such accidents occur from the result of negligence, carelessness, or defective machinery, roadways or superstructure ;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Niblack moved that the resolution offered by himself yesterday relating to the disposition of the different subjects in the Governor's Message be considered and adopted,

Which was done.

Mr. McKinnon offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the committees appointed on the part of the Senate, to act with similar committees of the Assembly, to examine the books of the Comptroller, Treasurer, and Commissioner of Lands and Immigration, be allowed to employ such clerical aid as they may need while actually engaged in their examination ;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Dell moved that the rule be waived and that Senators Crawford and Delano be placed upon the Committee on Agriculture ;

Which was agreed to, and the President placed Messrs. Crawford and Delano on said committee.

Mr. Bryson, from the Committee on the Judiciary, made the following report :

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, January 11, 1881.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate :

SIR : The committee to whom was referred—

Senate bill No. 6, beg leave to report the same with the following amendment, to-wit :

Strike out all after "months" in 24th line to "or" in 26th line, first page. After the word "adultery" in last line add "or by a married man with a woman who is unmarried, the woman shall be deemed guilty of adultery."

And recommend its passage.

Respectfully,

WM. BRYSON, JR.,

W. N. THOMPSON,

S. R. MALLORY,

Committee.

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. McKinnon called for the second reading of the bill, as amended.

The bill was read the second time and was ordered engrossed for a third reading on to-morrow.

At 11:20 o'clock the Senate went into Executive Session.

At 11:50 o'clock the doors were opened and the Senate resumed its session.

Mr. Thompson moved that the Senate adjourn until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock ;

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon the Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, January 12, 1881.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

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

Messrs. Bryson, Chandler, Cole, Cone, Crawford, Crill, Delano, Dell, Duncan, Hatcher, Hendry, Jones, Judge, Lee, Mallory, McClellan, McClenny, McKay, McKinne, McKinnon, Niblack, Polhill, Powers, Robinson, Sharpe, Spear, Thompson, Wallace and Willard—29.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The Journal of yesterday was read, corrected and approved.

Mr. Cole offered the petition and notice of Josiah T. Walls, contesting the seat of Mr. Dell, of Alachua county ;