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FRIDAY, 23d Jan. 1852.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Present, the Hon. J. B. Planche, Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate, in the chair.

A quorum present.

Mr. Butler presented to the Senate a memorial from David F. Fiske, asking for relief, which memorial, on motion, was referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Barthe presented to the Senate a petition from the "Good Intent Lowbest Company," which, on motion, was referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. McVea laid before the Senate the Third Biennial Report of the Board of Administrators of the Insane Asylum of Louisiana, which, on motion, was referred to the committee on charitable institutions.

The same Senator presented a memorial from J. H. Gibbons, a resident of the parish of Point Coupee, praying for relief, which, on motion, was referred to the committee on claims.

NOTICES OF BILLS.

The following Senators gave notice of their intention to introduce on some future day, the following entitled Bills and resolutions:

Mr. Griffin—An Act granting pensions to Valery Cressat, Martin Dubroc, Julien Bernat, fils, Pierre Cherrier, Pierre Guillot, Raphael Dumont, and Pierre Dupont, all of the parish of Avoyelles and veterans of 1814 and 1815.

Mr. Griffin—An Act for the relief of Fountain W. Cason, Caroline G. Cason, Frances M. Cason and Susan E. Cason.

Mr. Butler—An Act to establish the parish of Red River.

Mr. Sandidge—Resolutions providing for additional amendments to the constitution.

Mr. Richardson of Ouachita—An Act to abolish the offices of Parish Superintendent of Public Schools, and confer upon the Recorders of the several parishes and others, the duties now performed by them.

Mr. Mayo—An Act more especially to define the fees of parish Recorders and Notaries Public.

Mr. Richardson of Ouachita, obtained leave to introduce the following Joint Resolutions: which were read a first time.

JOINT RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate and House of Representatives be tendered to General Persifer F. Smith, for the very appropriate and beautiful present of chairs for the presiding officers of both Houses of the General Assembly, constructed from the wood of one of the palmettos of history in the peninsula of San Juan de Ulloa, which he has presented to the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana.

Resolved, That the Governor be requested to transmit a copy of this resolution to General Persifer F. Smith, with an assurance that the citizens of Louisiana will ever cherish the fondest recollections of the Hero of Contreras.

On motion, the rules were suspended, the foregoing resolutions underwent their second and third readings and were adopted.

Mr Gardere obtained leave to introduce the following resolution, which was read for the first time

Be it Resolved, That a joint committee of three members of the Senate and ——— members of the House of Representatives, be appointed to examine into the organization of the office of Secretary of State, and to report on the reforms which it requires, particularly with regard to the copying of the laws and the expediting of their promulgation, and on the duties which may be retrenched from, or added to said office, such as the bureau of statistics, &c.

On motion, the rules were suspended, and this resolution was read a second and third time, and was adopted.

On motion, the bank was filled with the members three.

The President appointed on said committee on the part of the Senate, Messrs. Gardere, Benjamin and Phillips.

Mr Phillips introduced the following resolution, which was read and adopted.

Resolved, That the committee on Internal Improvements, be instructed to prepare a memorial and resolutions to the Congress of the United States, asking a donation of public lands to aid in the construction of the New Orleans and Nashville Railroad, the New Orleans and Opelousas Railroad to the north western part of the State, and the Vicksburg and Shreveport Railroad.

Mr Richardson of Ouachita offered the following resolution, which, after being read was adopted

Resolved, That the judiciary committee be instructed to inquire into the constitutionality and expediency of conferring upon the Secretary of State, the duties now performed by the State Superintendent of public education.

Mr Mayo obtained leave to introduce the following resolution, which, on motion, was read and adopted.

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Education, be instructed to inquire and report upon the expediency of abolishing the office of Parish Superintendent, and reducing the salary of the State Superintendent of Public Schools.

Mr. Solomon, assistant clerk of the House, informed the Senate of the concurrence of the House in the joint resolution appointing a committee to examine the Treasurer's accounts.

He also informed the Senate that the Speaker of the House had appointed on said committee on the part of the House, Messrs. Scarborough, Rivers, Parham, Williamson and Augustin.

On motion of Mr. Mayo, the rules were dispensed with, to take up said resolution, which underwent its several readings and was concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Sandidge, the blank was filled with the number three.

And the President appointed on said committee on the part of the Senate, Messrs. Sandidge, Robb, and Provosty.

Mr. Butler obtained leave to introduce, without having given previous notice thereof.

An act to provide for the establishment of a session of the Supreme Court of Natchitoches.

On motion, the rules were suspended, said bill underwent its second reading and was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Provosty, agreeably to previous notice, introduced

An act to amend the act approved March 10th, 1846, for the reduction of the fee bills of clerks, sheriffs and notaries public.

On motion, the rules were suspended, said bill underwent its second reading, and was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr Gardere, agreeably to previous notice, introduced

An act to refund to the heirs of the late Eugene Forstier, deceased, a certain sum of money by them paid for State duty, on account of sales of property belonging to said succession.

On motion, the rules were suspended, said bill underwent its second reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Cole obtained leave to introduce

An act to provide for carrying into effect the judiciary system of the State.

On motion, the rules were suspended, said bill underwent its second reading and was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Wickliffe, according to previous notice, introduced

An act to emancipate Robert H. Doherty and his wife Sarah A. Smith, (accompanied by a memorial of R. H. and S. A. Doherty.)

On motion, the rules were suspended, and bill underwent its second reading, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The same Senator, without previous notice, obtained leave to introduce

An act to provide for the payment of the expenses incurred in publishing the proclamation of the Secretary of State and amendments to the constitution of Louisiana.

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Mr. Sandidge, agreeably to previous notice, introduced

An act reducing the prices of the swamp and overflowed lands.

On motion, the rules were dispensed with, the bill underwent its second reading, and was referred to the Committee on Public Lands and Levees.

Mr. McVea obtained leave to introduce

An act re-enroll the militia of the State of Louisiana.

On motion, the rules were suspended, said bill underwent its second reading, and was referred to the Committee on Militia.

Mr. Martin obtained leave to introduce, without previous notice

An act for the relief of Antonio Perera, of the parish of Assumption.

On motion, the rules were suspended; said bill underwent its second reading, and was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Provosty, agreeably to previous notice, introduced the following bills, which, on the suspension of the rules, underwent their second readings, and were referred to their appropriate committees.

An act relative to fines imposed upon delinquent jurors.

An act to amend article 127, Code of Practice.

An act for the relief of Clement Enete, of Pt. Coupee, and

An act for the relief of Zenon Langlois, sr. Point Coupee.

Mr. Richardson, of Ouachita, according to previous notice, introduced

An act to incorporate the town of Trenton, in the parish of Ouachita.

On motion, the rules were suspended, said bill underwent its second reading, and was referred to the Committee on Parochial Affairs.

Mr. Mayo, agreeably to previous notice, introduced

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The Senate took up as its second reading the following act, entitled,

An act for the organization and discipline of the militia of Louisiana, approved 6th of March, 1846,

An act to amend an act for the organization and discipline of the militia of Louisiana, approved the 21st of March, 1850.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana, in General Assembly convened*, That section eight of the act approved the 6th of March, 1846, is amended by striking out the word "eighteen" in the second section, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "twenty-one."

Said motion was lost.

On the adoption of the 3d section

Mr. Richardson of Ouachita, moved to amend said section, by adding after the words "eighteen hundred and fifty one" the words "and the assessment list, mentioned in the eighth section of said Act, for the year 1850, and that portion in the parish of Orleans by the General Council of the City.

Be it further enacted, &c., That the tax assessed under said eighth section for the year eighteen hundred and fifty-one shall not be collected, nor if any taxpayer or inhabitant in said parish has been collected for the year eighteen hundred and fifty-one, the sheriff of Orleans, or receivers of such tax or taxes collected, and collected, shall, on application of the payers or persons having paid such tax or taxes, refund the same.

Sec. 2. *Be it further enacted, &c.*; That all laws or parts of laws in opposition to the provisions of this act be and the same are hereby repealed.

Mr. Martin moved to take up the bill section by section.

The first section being read was adopted.

On the adoption of the second section, Mr. Richardson, of Ouachita, moved to amend said section, by striking out of said section after the words "eighth section," and adding the following: "Shall be paid over to the parish Superintendents, or such person or persons as may be entrusted with the custody of the parish school fund, for the benefit of the public schools of the respective parishes."

Mr. Martin moved to lay the amendment on the table.

The yeas and nays being called for, resulted as follows:

Messrs. Baker, Benjamin, Barthe, Cole, Clark, Downey, Declouet, Durney, Gardere, Kbaner, Martin, Phillips, Provosty, Robb, Sandidge, Tatman and Watterson, 17, voted in the affirmative, and,

Messrs. Butler, Cole, Griffin, McVea, Mayo, Moore, Richardson, of St. Helena, Richardson, of Ouachita, and Wickliffe, 9, voted in the negative.

Consequently said motion prevailed, and the amendment was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Martin, the third and fourth sections of the bill were adopted, and having obtained the dispensation of the rules, said bill was read by its title a third time and passed

The Secretary was directed to inform the House of the passage of said bill, and to ask the concurrence of the House therein.

On motion, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock, A. M.

SATURDAY, Jan. 24, 1852.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Present, Hon. J. B. Planche, Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate, in the Chair.

A quorum present:

Mr. Clark moved to have printed two hundred copies of the Citizens Bank Bill, passed at the last session of the Legislature, which motion was adopted.

Mr. Benjamin on behalf of the Committee on the Judiciary, moved, that Bills Nos. 5 and 6, referred to that Committee, be printed for the use of the Senate; no objection being made, on motion, two hundred copies were ordered to be printed.

The same Senator on behalf of the Committee on the Judiciary, reported the Bill No. 10 entitled, An Act vesting in the Police Jury of this Parish of Lafourche Interior, certain defined powers.

The following title was recommended in lieu thereof.

An Act providing for the manner of raising the means necessary for the erection of the public buildings required at the Seat of Justice, for the Parish of Lafourche Interior; and recommended also, the adoption of the 1st and 2d sections of said Bill.

The Bill was taken up, the first and second sections read a second and third time, and with the title reported by the Committee were passed.

The third and fourth sections of the Bill were referred to the Committee on Parochial affairs.

On behalf of the Judiciary Committee, the same Senator reported unfavorably on the following entitled Bill:

An Act to reimburse the parish of West Baton Rouge for moneys expended by said parish in making levees on lands in that parish, abandoned by the individual owners.

Mr. Mayo—An act to create a new parish, to be formed out of parts of the territory of the parishes of Rapides, Natchitoches, and Catahoula.

Mr. Butler—An act giving to the police juries the exclusive right to establish ferries and toll bridges.

Mr. Wickliffe, according to previous notice, introduced

An act entitled, an act granting pensions to Joseph Rousse, Francois Dibi and Garret Jordan, of the parish of West Feliciana.

On motion, the rules were suspended, said bill underwent its first and second readings, and was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Gardere, agreeably to previous notice, introduced the following bills:

An act to grant pensions to Mathew Eldridge, Zenon Steele, Vincent Perrie, and Theophrene Bonnie, of the parish of Jefferson, veterans of 1814 '15.

An act granting a pension to the widow of Pierre Dume, a veteran of 1814 and '15.

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Mr. Martin, without previous notice, obtained leave to introduce

An act to provide for taking the bonds of State collectors of tolls.

On motion, the rules were suspended, said bill underwent its second reading, and was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Moore obtained leave to introduce, without previous notice,

An act entitled, an act for the relief of James E. Tyson, of the parish of Rapides.

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