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SENATE.

THURSDAY, February 8, 1866.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Present, the Hon. Albert Voorhies Lieut. Governor and President of the Senate, in the Chair, Messrs. Abney, Anderson, Armstrong, Bell, Brownlee, Bruslé, Barthe, Campbell, Coco, Cooley, Duvigneaud, Ellis, Foute, Gibson, Hough, Kenner, Lapeyre, Lott, Mohan, Munday, Newton of Jackson, Nelson, Palfrey, Poche, Taylor and Welch—20 Senators.

The proceedings were opened with prayer offered by the Rev. C. H. Hodges, of the Episcopalian Church.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

BILLS INTRODUCED WITHOUT NOTICE.

The hereinafter named Senators, without previous notice given and with a suspension of the rules first had and obtained, respectfully asked and obtained leave to withdraw the following entitled bills, which underwent their first and second readings by their respective titles, and they were severally referred as indicated below, to wit:

Mr. Gordon—

An act repealing an act relative to pledges;

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Hough—

An act to fix the terms of Court in the Twelfth Judiciary District;

Referred to Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Wilcoxon—

An act relative to judicial advertisements;

Referred to Committee on Printing.

Mr. Poche, without previous notice, introduced with a dispensation of the rules a bill, entitled

An act to repeal an act, approved on the 17th of March, 1859, entitled an act to amend an act relative to judicial advertisements, approved on the 15th of March, 1855, and to re-enact the third section of the act entitled an act relative to judicial advertisements, approved on the 7th of March, 1855;

Which underwent its first and second readings and was adopted, and after further suspension of the rules, was read for the third time and passed.

Mr. Foute—

Joint resolution for the appointment of a joint committee to investigate charges against certain employees of the New Orleans, Jackson and Great Northern Railroad Company;

Which underwent its several readings, it was concurred in and the President appointed Messrs. Foute and Welch the committee on the part of the Senate, and the Secretary was directed to request the concurrence of the House therein.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE.

By a message from the House, transmitted through E. W. Halley, its Assistant Clerk, the signature of the President was requested to the following enrolled bills, to wit:

An act to authorize the State Treasurer to return a certain amount of money from the general fund to the levee and drainage fund, and authorize the payment of the same for levee purposes.

An act to authorize the issue of certificates of indebtedness and of bonds for the funding of the same; and

An act to organize the police of the city of New Orleans and to create a police board therein.

By the same message the concurrence of the Senate is requested to the House bill, entitled

An act to authorize the issue of State bonds for the purpose of paying certain debts.

BILLS TAKEN UP OUT OF THEIR ORDER.

Mr. Gordon, with dispensation of the rules, called up out of its order the House bill, entitled

An act to amend the second section of an act, entitled an act relative to elections in the parish of Orleans, which had been reported favorably by the Judiciary Committee; and on further dispensation of the rules, the said bill underwent its second and third readings, and was concurred in.

Mr. Kenner in like manner called up out of its order the House bill, entitled

An act to authorize the issue of State bonds for the purpose of paying certain debts, which was read for the first time, and upon further suspension of rules was read for the second and third time and was concurred in.

The Secretary was directed to inform the House thereof.

On motion of Mr. Foute, the Senate dispensed with its rules, and took up, out of its order, the bill entitled

An act relative to auctioneers,

Which was read for the first time; and, upon further dispensations of the rules, underwent its second and third readings, and passed.

On motion of Mr. Newton, of Morehouse, the rules being dispensed with, the Senate took up, out of its order, the bill entitled

An act for the relief of Thomas F. Harrison and the heirs of A. T. Hawkins Durrall,

Which had been reported favorably by the Committee on Public Education; and, the rules being successively dispensed with, the said bill was read for the second and third time, and passed.

The Secretary was directed to request the concurrence of the Senate in the above bills.

Mr. Lott moved to take up, out of their order, the two following Senate bills, with a view of recommitting the same to their respective committees, to wit:

An act granting ferry privileges to Rev. C. K. Marshall and his associates;

And an act to enforce the performance of road duty;

And, the motion having prevailed, the former bill was recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary; and the latter to the Committee on Parochial Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Munday, the rules being dispensed with, the Senate took up, out of its order, the bill entitled

An act to authorize the lease of the new canal;

With the view of concurring with the amendments of the House thereto, which amendments were severally read and concurred in.

The Secretary was directed to inform the House thereof.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. Barthe, on behalf of Mr. Newton, of Jackson, chairman of the Committee on Public Education, reported the bill entitled

"An act for the relief of the Louisiana State Seminary of Learning and Military Academy," favorably with a proviso.

The same Senator on behalf of the Committee on the Judiciary, made an unfavorable report to the following entitled bills:

"An act to regulate the sale of property seized under an order of seizure and sale as part of berfaniss;" and

"An act to revise the Civil Code of Louisiana."

A favorable report to the following entitled bills:

"An act relative to suits for the ejectment of tenants;"

"An act relative to the sessions of the Supreme Court."

And reported favorably with an amendment, the bill entitled

An act supplementary to an act entitled "an act relative to injunctions," approved March 29, 1855.

And unfavorably, as being in conflict with the provisions of the constitution of 1864, the bill entitled

"An act to authorize the construction of a railroad from the town of Thibodeaux to intersect with the New Orleans, Opelousas and Great Northern Railroad, with the privilege of extending the same to the town of Houma."

BILLS TAKEN UP OUT OF THEIR ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Davigneaud, the rules being dispensed with, the following bill was taken up out of its order and made the special order of the day for Monday next, to-wit:

"An act relative to juries in the parish of Orleans."

On motion of Mr. Palfrey, the rules being dispensed with, the Senate took up for its third reading, the bill entitled

An act to establish an internal improvement district, to provide for the election of commissioners and other officers therefor, and to authorize the levying and collection of taxes for internal improvements therein.

And with the assent of two-thirds of the Senate, the same Senator moved to amend the thirteenth section of said bill, which reads as follows:

That the tax on land levied by the Board of Commissioners by virtue of this act, shall be a lien on the land on which the same is chargeable, in the same manner and with the same effect as the lien established by law on lands in case of State taxes;

By striking out of the second line the words "on land," by striking out the word "land" in the fourth line, and inserting the word "property," and striking out, in the seventh line, the words "on land," which amendments were adopted.

On motion of the same Senator, the fourteenth section of said bill, which read as follows:

That the said Board of Commissioners shall be authorized to cause the said tax to be collected by the sheriffs of the different parishes in which the lands so taxed are situated, or by collectors appointed by themselves; *Provided*, however, that said sheriff or collector in each parish shall give bond, with good and sufficient security, to be judged of by the said board, for the faithful performance of his duties as collector of said tax, and for the prompt and faithful payment of the same to the treasurer of said board;

Was amended by inserting in the fifth line, after the word "lands," the words "and other property, real or personal."

Mr. Bruslé moved to amend the twenty-first section, which reads as follows:

That the members of said Board of Commissioners shall receive for compensation for their services six dollars per day for each day of actual attendance on said board, and mileage at fifteen cents per mile, to be paid out of the funds of their treasury;

By striking out, in the third line, all after the word "for," and inserting the following: "the same compensation for their services as that paid the members of the General Assembly."

Which amendment was adopted.

And, on the question for the final passage of the bill, Mr. Newton of Morehouse called for the yeas and nays, which resulted as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Abney, Anderson, Armstrong, Bell, Brownlee, Bruslé, Barthe, Campbell, Coco, Cooley, Duvigneaud, Ellis, Foute, Gibson, Gordon, Hough, Kavanaugh, Kenner, Lapeyre, Lott, Munday, Nelson, Palfrey, Poche, Scruggs, Taylor and Welch—27 Senators.

Nays—Messrs. Newton of Jackson and Newton of Morehouse—2 Senators.

The bill consequently passed.

The Secretary was directed to request the concurrence of the House therein.

On motion of Mr. Bell, the Senate took up at its second reading the bill entitled

An act to license the vending of lottery tickets.

The first section whereof was under discussion yesterday at the time of the adjournment.

The first section was read and adopted without amendment.

Mr. Lapeyre moved to amend the second section, which reads as follows:

"That every individual, firm, partnership association or corporation who shall make, sell or offer to sell lottery tickets, or parts thereof, or any token certificate or device representing or intended to represent a lottery ticket, or any fractional part thereof, or any policy of numbers in any lottery, or shall manage any lottery, or prepare schemes for lotteries, or superintend the drawing of any lottery, shall be deemed a lottery ticket dealer within the meaning of the provisions of this act."

By inserting at the end of said section the following:

"The keepers of all establishments where purchasers are invited by means of gifts, known as gift sales or gift enterprises, shall be assimilated to lottery ticket dealers."

Which amendment was adopted, and, on motion, the section was adopted as amended.

The third and fourth sections were read and adopted without amendment.

Mr. Mohan moved to amend the fifth section, which reads as follows:

"That if any person or persons shall exercise or carry on the business of lottery ticket dealer, or do any act appertaining to said business as defined by this act, without having paid the tax and taken out the license, and having said tickets stamped or signed as required by the provisions of the preceding sections, he, she or they shall, for every such offense, besides being liable to the payment of the tax, be subject to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years nor less than six months, or a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars, nor less than five hundred dollars, or both at the discretion of the court; one moiety of said fine to the use of the State of Louisiana, the other moiety to the use of the person who shall first give information of the fact whereby said forfeiture was incurred."

By striking out the word "the" before the word "court," and inserting the word "any," and inserting after the word "court," the words "of competent jurisdiction."

Which amendment was adopted, and, on motion, the section was adopted as amended.

The sixth, seventh and eighth sections were adopted, without amendment.

Mr. Munday moved to amend section ninth, which reads as follows:

"That the funds arising from the licenses, taxes, per centage for stamping, or signing lottery tickets, fines and forfeitures collected under the provisions of this act, shall be devoted to the support and maintenance of the Charity Hospital of the city of New Orleans, and shall be paid to the Treasurer of such Charity Hospital, upon his own warrant, approved by the President of the Board of Administrators of said hospital, whenever the same may be demanded of the Treasurer of the State, after collection;

"*Provided*, That not more than fifty thousand dollars shall be paid to said hospital in any one year—and that after the payment of fifty thousand dollars, as aforesaid, the excess arising from such collection, shall be appropriated for the benefit of the wounded and disabled Louisiana soldiers, or the widows and orphans of such Louisiana soldiers. It shall be the duty of the State Treasurer to make a return to the General Assembly, at each session thereof, showing the amount of revenue collected under this act, and the amount paid to said Charity Hospital;"

By striking out the words "appropriated for the benefit of the wounded and disabled Louisiana soldiers, or the widows and orphans of such Louisiana soldiers," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "paid into the Treasury, on account of the general fund."

Mr. Newton, of Morehouse, moved to strike out the ninth section.

Said motion was lost, and the amendment was adopted.

On motion said section was adopted as amended.

Section tenth was read and adopted without amendment.

Section eleventh being before the Senate, Mr. Kavanaugh moved to strike out the whole section.

Which motion was, on motion of Mr. Scruggs, laid on the table, and the section was then read and adopted.

The sections twelfth and thirteenth were read seriatim and adopted without amendment.

On motion, the bill was adopted as amended.

On motion of Mr. Munday, the rules were suspended with, and the bill underwent its third reading.

On the question of the final passage of the bill, Mr. Bruslé called for the yeas and nays, which resulted as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Anderson, Armstrong, Barrow, Bruslé, Campbell, Coco, Duvigneaud, Ellis, Foute, Gibson, Kelso, Lapeyre, Mohan, Munday, Nelson, Palfrey, Scruggs, Taylor, Welch and Wilcoxon—20 Senators.

Nays—Messrs. Abney, Kavanaugh, Kenner, Lott, Newton of Jackson, and Poche—6 Senators

The bill consequently passed.

On motion of Mr. Mohan the Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock M.

HENRY B. KELLY,
Secretary of the Senate.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Wednesday, Feb. 7, 1866.

The House met at 12 o'clock M.

Present, the Hon. J. B. Elam, Speaker *pro tem.*, and Messrs. Anderson Samuel, Austin, Alverson, Addison, Bailey, Blackman, Bonnabel, Brown, Buie, Bruton, Collins, Daigle, DeBlanc, Delamore, DeLabarre, Ditto, Duralde, Duffel, Dugas, Eastin, Eager, Eldridge, Eustis, Ewing, Edwards, Fagot, Fenner, Freret, Fishburn, Fulda, Gates, Guisser, Gantt, Green, Gottschalk, Haulon, Harrison, Head, Hatch, Hays, Henderson, Higgins, Holt, Jonas, Kent, Kelley, Kidd, Kile, Labranche, Lagroue, Leeds, Lemarie, LeBlanc, Lewis, Lipscomb, Martin, Meredith, McKelvey, McEnery, McConnell, McDonald, McCloskey, Moreland, Montgomery, Murray, Nelligan, Peterson, Phillips J., Phillips Atf., Powell, Pujo, Regenberg, Richardson, Richards, Roman, Ryan, Sambola, Scanlan, Simonds, Snider, Smith, Stille, Scott, Solomon, Theriot, Thieneman, Tucker, Voorhies, Walker, Whittington, Waddell and Weeks—83 Representatives.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Hedges.

The Hon. Speaker *pro tem.* asked the indulgence of the House in consequence of indisposition, and at his request Mr. Head took the Chair.

The journal of Tuesday, February 6th, was read and approved.

Mr. Stille asked and obtained leave of absence for the period of ten days, for the Hon. H. Y. Waddell, of Winn.

Leave of absence until Monday next was granted to Hon. M. Richardson, of St. Tammany.

At the request of Mr. Gates, leave of absence was granted to the Hon. J. Delamore, of Orleans.

On motion of Mr. DeLabarre, it was

Resolved, That Monday of each week shall be set apart for the consideration of bills of a local or personal character, and each member, in the order his name stands upon the roll, shall be permitted to call up one bill only, until every member's name shall have been called.

On motion of Mr. LeBlanc, leave of absence for ten days was granted to Hon. F. Martin, of Lafayette.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Regenberg, chairman, on behalf of the Committee on Public Education, reported unfavorably on

An act for the relief of purchasers of sixteenth sections;

And an act to ratify the lease of the Franklin College, at Opelousas, to Rev. Benj. F. White.

And favorably on

An act to reorganize Franklin College.

Mr. Walker, chairman, on behalf of the Committee on Finance, reported favorably, with amendments, on Senate bill entitled

An act to authorize the lease of the new canal.

On Mr. Walker's motion, the rules being waived, the bill was taken up for immediate action.

The amendment proposed by the committee to the first section was adopted, as follows: Add, at the end of the section, the following: "*Provided, however*, that nothing in this act shall be so construed as to have the effect of releasing the Canal and Banking Company from the obligation of returning the property herein described in the good order and condition provided for in their charter."

And the section as amended was adopted.

On motion of Mr. DeLabarre, the second section was amended by inserting after the word "charter" in the tenth line, the words: "except sixty feet immediately adjoining Cypress Grove and Greenwood cemeteries, towards the canal, which is hereby reserved by the State of Louisiana for the use of the Firemen's Charitable Association of the city of New Orleans."

The following amendment, reported by the Committee on Finance, was adopted, as follows:

After the words "for the lease of the same," add the words: "provided that the lessee shall be required to make the repairs described by specifications and plan in the report of the State Engineer to the Governor, dated January the 18th, 1866, which shall be made part of the lease; that he will also be required to keep the canal shell road and all other property in good working order and condition, as is provided by the charter of the canal company; that the cost of the repairs, to the extent of $65,000, shall be allowed to the lessee, in three equal amounts, to be deducted, one third each year, from the annual rent; that the repairs and improvements provided by this section shall be made subject to the approval of the State Engineer."

And on motion of Mr. Walker the following additional proviso was adopted:

"*Provided, further*. That it be made a condition of the lease that the lessee shall permit the culverts now receiving the waters of the Second Drainage District to remain open."

The amendment of the committee to section third was adopted as follows:

Add to the end of section third the following:

"*Provided*, That upon the opening of such proposals, if the Governor and Senate shall decide that none of the proposals are advantageous to the State, the Governor and Senate is hereby authorized and empowered to readvertise the same, for the space of thirty days, in the newspapers the Governor may select in the city of New Orleans."

"*And provided still further*, That in case the Governor is not satisfied with the proposals to be received under the second advertisement, he is hereby authorized and empowered, if the Senate be adjourned, to lease the same after twenty days public notice to the person or persons who will offer the most for the said canal for twelve months."

Mr. Eldridge offered the following amendment, which, on motion of Mr. Stille, was laid on the table:

And after said canal, together with its rights, property and privileges shall have come into the possession of the State, the Governor, Attorney-General, State Treasurer and Auditor of Public Accounts shall be and hereby are constituted a committee to accept such proposals as they may deem most advantageous to the State, and said proposal shall be put in the form of a contract.

The bill as amended was adopted on its second reading, and on the motion that it be ordered to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Stille and Walker with the following result:

Yeas—Messrs. Anderson Samuel, Alverson, Addison, Buie, Bruton, Collins, Daigle, Drake, DeBlanc, DeLabarre, Ditto, Duralde, Dugas, Eastin, Eager, Eldridge, Eustis, Ewing, Edwards, Freret, Fishburn, Fulda, Gates, Guisser, Gantt, Green, Halsey, Harrison, Hatch, Hays, Higgins, Holt, Jonas, Kent, Kelley, Labranche, Lagroue, Lemarie, LeBlanc, Lewis, McCloskey, Moreland, Montgomery, Nutt, Peterson, Phillips James, Powell, Regenberg, Richards, Ryan, Scanlan, Smith, Stille, Solomon, Theriot, Thieneman, Tucker, Walker, Whittington and Waggaman—57 yeas.

Nays—Messrs. Bailey, Leeds and McConnell—3 nays.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Jonas House bill No. 35, entitled

An act to organize the police of the city of New Orleans and to create a Police Board therein.

Was taken up, and the amendment of the Senate was concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Solomon—

An act supplementary to an act, entitled an act, providing for the registry of names and residences of all qualified electors of the city of New Orleans, according to Article 11 of the Constitution of the State, approved March 20th, 1856,

Was made the special order for Friday next.

On motion of Mr. Tucker, House bill No. 65, An act relative to District Courts, was taken up and ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Walker House bill No. 86,

An act to authorize the issue of State bonds for the purpose of paying certain debt,

Was made the special order of the day for to-morrow, Thursday, February 8.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

Messages were received from the Senate, through Mr. Cooper, its special messenger, inviting the concurrence of the House in Senate bills entitled

An act to authorize Caroline Vanbille, wife of Lucius J. Dupre, of St. Landry, to alienate her dotal property;

An act relating to the inspection of scales, weights and measures, to be used in trade or traffic within the limits of the city of New Orleans.

Also announcing that the Senate had concurred in House bills entitled

An act to authorize the issue of certificates of indebtedness, and of bonds for the funding of the same;

And an act to authorize the State Treasurer to return a certain amount of money from the general fund to the levee and drainage fund, and authorize the payment of the same for levee purposes.

A further message was received from the Senate announcing concurrence in the House bill No. 35, "an act to organize the police of the city of New Orleans, and to create a police board therein," with an amendment. And on motion of Mr. Jonas, the bill was taken up, and the Senate's amendment was concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Halsey,

An act to amend section six of an act entitled "an act to provide for increasing the revenue of the State, and raise means to pay the interest on the State debt," approved April 4, 1865,

Was withdrawn from the files of the Committee on Finance, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Halsey asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled

An act to amend an act entitled "an act to provide for increasing the revenue of the State and raise means to pay the interest on the State debt.

Read first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On like leave Mr. Lewis introduced a bill entitled

An act to restore the records of the parish of Rapides, and to ratify the appointment by Governor Wells of a commissioner for that purpose.

Read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Convillon, on behalf of the Committee on Parochial Affairs, reported as follows, out of order, by consent of the House:

An act relative to parish and town taxes in the town of Houma;

An act to provide for the election and commission by the Governor of a justice of the peace for the town of Monroe, in the parish of Ouachita, and to define his powers;

An act declaring the Bayou Rouge, in the parish of St. Landry, a navigable stream;

An act relative to the organization of the board of police in and for the town of Opelousas;

Favorably.

And on an act to establish a public road from Williamsport, in the parish of Pointe Coupee, to a point on the Atchafalaya river, near Simmesport;

Unfavorably.

On motion, the House adjourned.

THOS. L. MAXWELL,
Clerk of House of Representatives.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Thursday, Feb. 8, 1866.

The House met at 12 o'clock M.

Present, Hon. J. B. Elam, Speaker pro tempore, and Messrs. Anderson S., Alverson, Bailey, Blackman, Brown, Buie, Bruton, Collins, Convillon, Davenport, Daigle, Deblanc, DeLabarre, Ditto, Duralde, Duffel, Dugas, Eastin, Eldridge, Eustis, Ewing, Edwards, Fagot, Freret, Fishburn, Fulda, Gates, Green, Halsey, Harrison, Head, Hatch, Hays, Henderson, Holt, Hudspeth, Kent, Kelly, Kile, Labranche, Lagroue, Lemarie, LeBlanc, Lewis, Meredith, McKelvey, McEnery, McConnell, McDonald, McCloskey, Moreland, Montgomery, Murray, Nutt, Ormond, Peterson, Phillips Jas., Powell, Regenberg, Ryan, Scanlan, Smith, Stille, Solomon, Theriot, Thieneman, Tucker, Whittington, Waggaman, Waddell and Weeks—83 Representatives.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Dr. J. C. Keener.

The reading of the journal of yesterday was dispensed with.

On motion of Mr. Halsey, it was

Resolved, That Hon. John E. King, member of Congress from Fourth Congressional District of this State, at present in this city, be invited to a seat on the floor of this House.

Mr. S. P. DeLabarre, chairman, on behalf of the Enrolling Committee, reported as correctly enrolled, the following, to-wit:

An act to authorize the issue of certificates of indebtedness, and of bonds for the funding of the same.

Also, an act to authorize the State Treasurer to return a certain amount of money from the general fund to the levee and drainage fund, and authorize the payment of the same for levee purposes.

Mr. Ditto presented a memorial of the citizens of Catahoula, praying for relief for the orphans of said parish, which was referred to the Committee on Charitable Institutions.

Mr. Solomon presented the memorial of Charles F. Fisher, relative to his painting of the Battle of New Orleans, which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

Mr. Simonds, acting chairman, on behalf of the Committee on the Judiciary, reported, as follows:

The Committee on Judiciary having had under consideration House bill No. 21, entitled an act for the relief of J. Q. Prescott, of the parish of Bienville, beg leave to submit the following unanimous report:

The committee are of opinion the bill ought not to pass, because—

1. It appears that the memorialist, J. Q. Prescott, sold the property to Gov. H. W. Allen for a full price, and that it is probable, from the evidence, that the memorialist used a large portion of the money he received in the payment of antecedent debts due by him, some of them contracted as early as the year 1861.

2. That it would be unwise for the legislative department of the State government to set the example of setting aside contracts made and executed in good faith, merely because Confederate and State treasury notes were received in payment by the seller.

3. It is satisfactorily shown that the property is now being used for school purposes, in charge of the president and trustees of the Mount Lebanon Female College, and that it would be highly detrimental to the community in which it is situated to break up the school; which would be one of the consequences if the application of the memorialist should be granted.

And your committee further report that, in their opinion, the grounds and improvements described in the act of sale should be leased to the "Mount Lebanon Female College" for the term of ten years, on condition that said corporation should keep said property in repair.

Respectfully submitted,
J. B. ELAM, Chairman.

Mr. Head asked and obtained leave to correct a misstatement published in the CRESCENT, Feb. 7th, 1866, of his remarks made in debate on an act to return $500,000 from the general fund to the road and levee fund, in which he is reported to have said the State had no more right to pay the money taken from that fund than if it was due to Mississippi.

What he said was, that the road and levee fund no more belonged to the State at large than it did to Mississippi.

He requested that the foregoing explanation be spread upon the journal, and the request was granted.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

The following entitled bills were introduced and on a suspension of the rules were read twice and were referred as follows:

By Mr. Edwards—

An act relative to police jury wards in the Parish of Avoyelles;

To the Committee on Parochial Affairs.

By Mr. Labrache—

Joint resolution for the discharge of Ursin Jacob, Sheriff and State Tax Collector in and for the parish of St. John the Baptist during the year 1862, and for the cancelling of his bonds;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also, an act to suspend the collection of income taxes in certain cases;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Thieneman—

An act relative to citations of appeal in certain cases;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Pagot—

An act to incorporate the Benevolent Association of the Sons of Louisiana;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Hays—

An act to establish a ferry across the Mermentau river;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Kent—

An act relating to appeals from the parishes of East Feliciana, East Baton Rouge, Livingston, St. Tammany, Washington and St. Helena;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Tucker—

Joint resolution appropriating $2500 for the purpose of paying the expenses of the Representatives of Louisiana at Washington;

To the Committee on Finance.

BILLS REFERRED.

On motion of Mr. Green, the rules being waived, Senate bill entitled

An act to ratify and confirm the appointment of Levee Commissioners provisionally made by the Governor, and to continue their functions,

Was taken up, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

And on motion of Mr. Scanlan, House bill No. 19, entitled

An act requiring bakers to stamp the weight on all loaves of bread offered for sale,

Was likewise taken up, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On the further motion of Mr. Scanlan, House bill No. 47, entitled

Joint resolutions making an appropriation for the extra expenses of the Hon. Randell Hunt and the Hon. Henry Boyce, U. S. Senators elect from the State of Louisiana;

Was taken up, read a second time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion of Mr. Halsey, the vote of the House, adopting his resolution inviting the Hon. Jno. E. King, member of Congress from the Fourth Congressional District of Louisiana, to a seat on the floor of this House, was reconsidered with the purpose of including the names of the Hon. Louis St. Martin, the Hon. John Ray, the Hon. Jacob Barker, members of Congress from Louisiana, and now in this city, in the invitation.

And the resolution so amended was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Thieneman, it was

Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana, That a seat within the bar of this House is hereby tendered to Gen. Frank Gardner, during the period of his stay in this city.

SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY.

House bill No. 86, an act to authorize the issue of State bonds for the purpose of paying certain debts, being the special order of the day, was taken up. The rule requiring the House to resolve itself into a committee of the whole House on appropriations, was suspended.

Mr. Thieneman moved to amend the bill by striking out the word "six" and inserting the word "eight" in lieu thereof, which amendment was, on motion of Mr. Stille, laid on the table.

The rules being further suspended the bill was ordered to be engrossed, was read a third time, was passed and ordered to be sent to the Senate. And subsequently a message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Cooper, its special messenger, informing the House that the Senate had concurred in the said bill.

House bill No. 80 entitled

An act to define the duties and fix the compensation of State Printer,

Being also the special order of the day was taken up on its second reading.

On motion of Mr. Austin the substitute reported by the Committee on Printing was adopted in lieu of the original bill, and was ordered to be read section by section. The first six sections were adopted without amendment.

Mr. DeLabarre moved to amend the 7th section by inserting after the word "only" the words "in the English and French languages." Mr. Snider moved to lay the amendment on the table, on which motion Messrs. DeLabarre and Convillon called for the yeas and nays with the following result, Mr. Waggaman in the Chair:

Yeas—Messrs. Anderson S., Addison, Bailey, Bensel, Blackman, Bonnabel, Buie, Elam, Eldridge, Ewing, Fishburn, Gates, Green, Harrison, Head, Hatch, Henderson, Holt, Kent, Kidd, Moreland, McDonald, Powell, Regenberg, Richards, Richardson, Snider, Smith, Scott, Solomon, Tucker and Weeks—32 yeas.

Nays—Messrs. Austin, Alverson, Addison, Brown, Convillon, Davenport, Daigle, Deblanc, DeLabarre, Ditto, Duralde, Duffel, Eastin, Eager, Eustis, Edwards, Fagot, Freret, Fulda, Green, Hanlon, Halsey, Hays, Hudspeth, Jonas, Kelly, Labranche, Lagroue, Leeds, Lemarie, LeBlanc, Lewis, Lipscomb, McEnery, McConnell, McCloskey, Montgomery, Murray, Nutt, Ormond, Peterson, Phillips James, Ryan, Sambola, Scanlan, Simonds, Theriot, Thieneman, Voorhies and Whittington—48 nays.

And the House refused to lay the amendment on the table, and it was adopted.

Mr. Tucker moved to amend by striking out all of the seventh section to the word "within," in the fourth line, and inserting the words:

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Sections eight and nine were adopted.

Mr. Stille moved to amend section ten by striking out the word "ten," in the nineteenth line, and inserting the word "seven," and the yeas and nays on said amendment were called for by Messrs. Stille and Kent, with the following result:

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And the amendment was lost.

Mr. Convillon moved to amend by inserting the word "eight."

The amendment was lost.

Mr. Eustis moved to amend by inserting after the words "English and" in the twenty-seventh line the word "German," and strike out the word "French."

The amendment was lost.

It was then moved that the bill be ordered to be engrossed for its third reading:

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