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AUCTION SALES THIS DAY.

MONTGOMERY BROS. & CO., sell, at 11 o'clock, at their Auction Room, 117 Canal street, a lot of...

STATE LEGISLATURE.

FIFTY-SECOND DAY.

FRIDAY, August 28, 1898.

The Senate was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Dunn at noon.

Twenty-seven members present.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Turner.

Reading of the minutes dispensed with.

The judiciary committee reported favorably upon an act...

The finance committee reported favorably upon an act...

The committee on elections presented a majority report...

Mr. Campbell moved that Generals O. O. Howard and...

A message from the governor was received.

Mr. Blackman offered a resolution to refer to the judiciary committee...

Mr. Blackman moved to lay on the table.

Mr. Smith thought that there was a disposition to snub the election committee.

Mr. O'Hara thought the opinion of the attorney general should prevail.

Mr. Blackman said that the object of the resolution was not to interfere with the attorney general.

The committee on elections was called on by the speaker.

Mr. Braugh called for the yeas and nays.

The Senate refused to lay the resolution on the table by 10 yeas to 13 nays.

Mr. Braugh then moved the adoption of the resolution.

Mr. Campbell thought that the object was simply to whip the devil around the stump.

It was preceded to refer from one committee to another in such cases.

Mr. Blackman referred to a precedent in the Senate, where points of law were referred from the finance committee to the judiciary.

Mr. Copland thought the matter should be more properly referred to the attorney general.

Mr. Bacon supported the resolution and the propriety of referring the questions to the judiciary committee.

Mr. Thompson said that it was unbecoming senators to concern themselves with their still extant doubts upon legal points.

Mr. Pollard spoke about people not voting for the Constitution and elections.

He was called to order by Mr. Braugh, but allowed to proceed to the end of his remarks.

Pollard resumed—He did not understand the question then, and now he did, and moved to lay it on the table, and moved the previous question.

Mr. Foustetter considered that the resolution was an improving resolution.

Mr. Braugh called the previous question, which was ordered.

Mr. Blackman called for the yeas and nays on Mr. Campbell's motion to postpone indefinitely—13 yeas, 12 nays, a tie vote.

The chair voted for the postponement, explaining that he did so because he had appointed the committee on elections with the conviction that they would complete the matter.

Mr. Bacon introduced a resolution providing for the appointment of a committee to investigate rumors of malfeasance in office of members of the Senate.

Mr. Smith said that he considered it undignified on the part of the Senate to investigate rumors propagated by thugs.

Mr. Bacon, in answer to Mr. Smith, said it did not matter from what source the rumors came.

Mr. Foustetter thought the resolution eminently proper. He would vote for it, and hoped, as he anticipated, that no senators would be found guilty of the charges.

Mr. O'Hara offered an amendment to investigate what senators made propositions to other senators to withdraw all opposition to the printing bill upon condition that \$20,000 of public printing be given, by contract, to a certain Democratic paper in this city.

Mr. Lewis moved to lay the whole matter on the table.

Mr. Braugh called for the yeas and nays on the motion to lay on the table.

The Senate refused to lay on the table by 9 yeas, 16 nays.

Mr. O'Hara's amendment was then adopted.

Mr. Foustetter presented an amendment providing that the committee investigate whether a senator had ever offered any other senator money, or other consideration, to influence votes in contested election cases.

Mr. E. L. Jewell offered an amendment that the committee investigate the report that a member of the Senate is an escaped convict, the manner of his escape, and his eligibility.

Mr. Wittgenstein offered an amendment to inquire whether certain articles were in the hands of the Senate and embroiled in levee bonds.

Mr. Smith offered an amendment providing for the employment by the committee of a suitable man to gather all rumors propagated by thugs and rogues.

Mr. Braugh referred to the nature of such an amendment and moved to lay it on the table.

Mr. Whitney called for the yeas and nays—13 yeas, 11 nays.

The amendment of Mr. Smith was laid on the table.

Mr. Copland deprecated the character of the whole matter. He wished something more tangible to act upon.

Mr. Campbell offered an amendment providing to inquire whether any senator is a member of a secret organization the object of which is to influence the Senate by bribery, menaces and resistance to the law.

Mr. Bacon asserted his honesty of purpose. He had not consulted with Democratic members, but had consulted with two Republican members upon the propriety of introducing the resolution.

Mr. Hay called the order of the day.

BILLS ON FIRST READING.

House bill 91, an act for the relief of Margaret T. Murphy. The bill was read twice and considered engrossed.

Mr. Lewis asked for a suspension of the rules for a third reading. The president ordered the yeas and nays read 17 yeas, 12 nays, the rules were suspended and the bill finally passed.

House bill 114, an act providing for certain appropriations. Read twice and referred to the finance committee.

On a suspension of the rules, an act for the relief of assessors of taxes in the State, securing them a compensation of \$300 per annum in cases where their commissions do not amount to that sum yearly. Read twice and referred to the finance committee.

On a suspension of the rules, Mr. Thompson introduced a resolution providing for a committee of three to investigate the contested case of Simons vs. Campbell, in view of the improbability of the committee on elections to investigate the case before the close of the session.

Mr. O'Hara moved to lay on the table.

Mr. Bacon called for the yeas and nays. Laid on the table—12 yeas, 9 nays.

Mr. Blackman moved a reconsideration for the purpose of introducing an amendment providing for the appointment of an additional election committee to lay on the table on motion of Mr. O'Hara, by 12 yeas to 8 nays.

Mr. Wittgenstein, on a suspension of the rules, introduced a joint resolution to take a recess from the 15th of September to the 15th of October.

Mr. Ray, on a suspension of the rules, introduced a bill relative to a health metropolitan district. Read twice and referred.

Mr. Todd called up a similar bill which was also referred to the special committee on health.

Mr. Braugh called up an act for the relief of Theophile, attorney at law. Mr. Braugh regrets to say that Mr. Soule was suffering physically and mentally and peculiarly. The bill was finally passed.

On a suspension of the rules, Mr. Bacon introduced a resolution relative to the collection of municipal taxes.

On motion.

Mr. Lewis, the bill was ordered to be printed.

Senate bill 11, incorporating the New Orleans and Ship Island company, was taken up and

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