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OF THE

STATE OF LOUISIANA.

Tenth Day's Proceedings.

SENATE CHAMBER,
Thursday, January 12, 1871.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Present: Hon. O. J. Dunn, Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate, and Messrs. Anderson, Antoine, Barber, Blackman, Bowman, Butler, Campbell, Coupland, Daigle, Fish, Futch, Gallup, Harris, Herwig, Hunsaker, Ingraham, Kelso, Lewis, Lynch, Noland, O'Hara, Pierce, Pinchback, Ragan, Ray, Smith, Swords, Thomas, Thompson, Todd, Twitchell, Whitney, Wilcox—33.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Burch.

Reading of the minutes of the previous day's proceedings dispensed with.

The Secretary made the following correction, substituting the name of Senator Harris in place of that of Senator O'Hara, on the Committee on Corporations.

NOTICES OF BILLS.

By Mr. O'Hara:

Of a bill to be entitled an act instructing the Attorney General to forfeit the charter of the Barataria and Lafourche Canal Company, Nos. 1 and 2.

By Mr. Anderson:

Of a bill to be entitled an act to authorize Mrs. Louisa Bourgeois, wife of Thomas Taquireo, to mortgage or alienate her dotal property.

By Mr. Pinchback:

Of a bill to be entitled an act relative to elections.

By Mr. Antoine:

Of a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of William Hawlesworth.

By Mr. Hunsaker:

Of a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of G. F. Roman et al., of St. James.

Also, of a bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the heirs of Marx Schonberg.

By Mr. Harris:

Of a bill to be entitled an act to fix the terms of the District Courts of the Thirteenth Judicial District.

By Mr. Blackman:

Of a bill to be entitled an act giving the vendor's privilege to cotton factors, five days after the sale and delivery of cotton.

By Mr. Campbell:

Of a bill to be entitled an act authorizing the city of New Orleans to levy water rates upon all property on the lines of water pipes, laid or to be laid, and contiguous thereto; the collection of said rates and the power to sell and dispose of the present Waterworks, and to contract with any incorporated company for the supplying of the inhabitants of the city with pure and limpid water, etc.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS ACCORDING TO PREVIOUS NOTICE.

By Mr. Thomas:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the estate of M. Dickson and H. P. Dickson, of the parish of Bossier, of certain assessments for taxes that have been erroneously made, which passed its first reading.

The constitutional rule was then suspended by a four-fifths affirmative vote, the bill put on its second reading, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Pierce:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for gratuitous vaccination, and to protect the State from the ravages of small-pox, which passed its first reading.

The constitutional rule was then suspended by a four-fifths affirmative vote, the bill put on its second reading, and referred to the Committee on Health and Quarantine.

By Mr. Pierce:

A bill to be entitled an act the more clearly to define and enlarge certain duties and powers of the Board of Health of the State of Louisiana, and to provide for the more complete protection of life and health, which passed its first reading.

The constitutional rule was then suspended on a division, by the following vote: yeas 23, nays 1; the bill put on its second reading, ordered printed, and referred to the Committee on Health and Quarantine.

By Mr. Butler:

A bill to be entitled an act to locate the seat of justice and courthouse in and for the parish of Plaquemine, and to repeal certain acts therein named, which passed its first reading.

The constitutional rule was then suspended by a four-fifths affirmative vote, the bill put on its second reading, and referred to the Committee on Parishes and Parish Boundaries.

By Mr. Campbell:

A bill to be entitled an act to promote the interest of commerce, by establishing the Louisiana Warehouse Company, and guaranteeing the bonds thereof, which passed its first reading.

The constitutional rule was then suspended by a four-fifths affirmative vote, the bill put on its second reading, and referred to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. Anderson:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of R. Richard, Sr., of St. Landry, which passed its first reading.

The constitutional rule was then suspended by a four-fifths affirmative vote, the bill put on its second reading, and referred to the Committee on Finance.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT, WITHOUT PREVIOUS NOTICE.

By Mr. Campbell:

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Farmers' and Manufacturers' Aid Association, which passed its first reading.

The constitutional rule was then suspended by a four-fifths affirmative vote, the bill put on its second reading, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Ray:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend and re-enact article 373 of the Code of Practice, which passed its first reading.

The constitutional rule was then suspended by a four-fifths affirmative vote, the bill put on its second reading, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Thomas:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the succession of M. Dickson, which passed its first reading.

The constitutional rule was then suspended by a four-fifths affirmative vote, the bill put on its second reading, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. O'Hara moved that Senate bill No. 8, entitled an act authorizing the assessment and collection of a special tax of twenty-five thousand dollars, to build a courthouse and build a parish jail in the parish of Terrebonne, be printed and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Adopted.

JOINT RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Ragan gave notice of a joint resolution relative to the removal of the seat of government.

By unanimous consent, Mr. Hunsaker introduced a joint resolution for the appointment of a special committee to investigate the late election riots at Donaldsonville and Baton Rouge, which passed its first reading.

The constitutional rule was then suspended by a four-fifths affirmative vote, and the resolution put on its second reading.

Mr. Ray moved to amend the resolution by requiring the committee to report during the present session of the General Assembly.

Adopted.

Mr. Thompson moved to lay the resolution on the table.

On a call of the yeas and nays, the Senate ordered the resolution to lie on the table, by the following vote:

Yeas: Anderson, Barber, Blackman, Bowman, Daigle, Fish, Harris, Herwig, Lynch, Pierce, Pinchback, Swords, Thomas, Thompson, Wilcox—15.

Nays: Antoine, Campbell, Gallup, Hunsaker, Ingraham, Kelso, Noland, O'Hara, Ragan, Ray, Todd, Twitchell—12.

RESOLUTIONS.

By Mr. Campbell:

Resolved, That the press of the city, through its representatives, be furnished with a copy of all printed bills, and the daily journal of the Senate, at the same time Senators are furnished.

Rules suspended and resolution adopted.

By Mr. O'Hara:

Resolved, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be instructed to purchase postage stamps to the amount of ten dollars for each member of the Senate, to be paid for out of the contingent fund.

Rules suspended and resolution adopted.

By Mr. Thomas:

Resolved, That each committee be authorized to employ one clerk, and that the Committees on Enrollment and on Engrossing Bills be authorized to employ as many clerks as may be necessary.

Rules suspended and resolution adopted.

By Mr. Ingraham:

Resolved, That all bills proposing changes in the act establishing a Metropolitan Police District be referred to a committee to consist of the Senators representing said police district in the Senate.

Rules suspended and resolution adopted.

By Mr. Ingraham:

Resolved, That all bills proposing changes in the charter of the city of New Orleans be referred to a committee composed of the Senators representing said city in the Senate.

Laid over.

Mr. Ragan called up the resolution offered by him on Friday, January 6, and offered the following as a substitute:

Resolved, That a special committee of three members be appointed by the President of the Senate to examine the affairs of the Board of Metropolitan Police and ascertain if the said board has complied with the act creating the said Board of Metropolitan Police, and that said committee be allowed one clerk.

Referred to the Committee of Metropolitan Police District.

Mr. Pinchback moved to adjourn.

Adopted.

The President then announced that the Senate stood adjourned until Friday, the thirteenth instant, at twelve o'clock M.

CHARLES H. MERRITT,
Secretary of Senate.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Thursday, January 12, 1871.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Speaker Carr in the chair.

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

Speaker Carr; Messrs. Abell, Adolphe, Antoine, Baker, Barker, Barrett, Barrow, Belot, Bentley, Bickham, Blunt, Bowen, Brewster, Broussard, Bryan, Buchanan, Buckingham, Burch, Butler, Carter, Chachere, Cochran, Crawford, Darby, Darinsburg, Davidson, Davis, Demas, Dewees, Durio, Ellis, Faulkner, Floyd, Fontelieu, Gaddis, Gardner, Garstkamp, P. Harper, W. Harper, Hempstead, Huston, Hyams, Johnson, Kearson, Kenner, Killen, Kinsella, La Saliniere, Laurent, Llambias, H. Lott, J. B. Lott, Lynch, Mahoney, Marie, Marvin, Matthews, McCarty, McFarland, Meadows, Moncure, Moore, Morphy, Morris, Murray, Nelson, Ong, Oplatek, Otto, Overton, Pond, Quinn, Raby, Riley, Ringgold, Sartain, Schumacher, Smith, Stamps, Stevens, Stinson, Tatman, Tureaud, Ullman, Verrett, Wands, Washington, of Assumption, Washington, of Concordia, Waters, Wheyland, E. Williams, H. Williams, Wilson, Worrall, Yorke, Young—97.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Upon motion of Mr. Morris, of Ascension, the reading of the journal was dispensed with, and it was approved.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

Mr. Garstkamp, of Jefferson, presented a petition from Charles F. Fisher, the owner of the painting of the battle of New Orleans, which was read and referred to the Committee on Claims.

The Speaker then announced the following standing committees:

Canals and Drainage—T. B. Stamps, of Jefferson, chairman; C. F. Huston, of East Feliciana; R. G. Gardner, of Jefferson; W. D. Floyd, of St. Helena; J. W. Quinn, of Orleans; Frederick Schumacher, of Orleans; Charles J. Barker, of Lafourche.

Public Buildings—J. Oplatek, of Orleans, chairman; Armand Belot, of Orleans; Schuyler Marvin, of Catahoula; T. B. Stamps, of Jefferson; George W. Carter, of Cameron; C. J. Adolphe, of Orleans; Alphons, Stinson, of Winn; J. S. Killen, of Claiborne; Henry J. Hyams, of West Baton Rouge.

Pensions—Edgar Davis, of Orleans, chairman; Emerson Bentley, of St. Mary; W. B. Barrett, of Orleans; D. L. McFarland, of St. Martin; Theodore Chachere, of St. Landry; Charles J. Barker, of Lafourche; C. D. Tatman, of St. Landry.

Railroads—O. H. Brewster, of Ouachita, chairman; C. J. Adolphe, of Orleans; E. W. Dewees, of De Soto; J. B. Lott, of Rapides; Alexander C. Bickham, of Washington; Frederick Schumacher, of Orleans; William H. Waters, of Orleans.

Ways and Means—Thomas Ong, of St. Bernard, chairman; Armand Belot, of Orleans; F. Otto, of Orleans; L. J. Souer, of Avoyelles; H. Mahoney, of Plaquemine; Bush W. Baker, of Franklin; Lucien Darby, of St. Landry.

Parochial Affairs—O. H. Hempstead, of Iberville, chairman; H. C. Tounoir, of Pointe Coupee; D. Cady Stanton, of Bossier; George Washington, of Assumption; J. Nelson, of Lafourche; C. O. Butler, of Bienville; Henry J. Hyams, of West Baton Rouge.

Corporations—Harry Lott, of Rapides, chairman; George L. Smith, of Caddo; Henry Demas, of St. James; E. F. Buckingham, of Morehouse; H. H. Stevens, of Jackson; D. A. Cochran, of Lafayette; Milton Morris, of Ascension.

Judiciary—Thomas G. Davidson, of Livingston, chairman; B. L. Lynch, of Iberville; Harry Lott, of Rapides; G. H. Ellis, of Union; Victor E. McCarty, of Orleans; D. W. C. Brown, of Ascension; D. C. Stanton, of Bossier.

Claims—J. Garstkamp, of Jefferson, chairman; Henry Raby, of Natchitoches; Thomas Ong, of St. Bernard; J. Oplatek, of Orleans; David Young, of Concordia; C. O. Butler, of Bienville; Paulin Fontelieu, of Vermilion.

Penitentiary—L. J. Souer, of Avoyelles, chairman; Henry Riley, of St. James; C. F. Huston, of East Feliciana; George Washington, of Assumption; Charles W. Ringgold, of Orleans; Alexander C. Bickham, of Washington; Thomas G. Davidson, of Livingston.

Committee Relative to the Apportionment Bill—Thomas D. Worrall, of Jefferson, chairman; E. W. Dewees, of De Soto; Norbert A. Llamidas, of Orleans; D. A. Cochran, of Lafayette; O. H. Brewster, of Ouachita.

Special Committee to Investigate into the Affairs of the Metropolitan Police Board—J. Garstkamp, of Jefferson, chairman; Charles W. Ringgold, of Orleans; G. H. Ellis, of Union; Thomas Murray, of Orleans; Fred. Schumacher, of Orleans.

By permission the following resolutions were offered:

By Mr. Schumacher, of Orleans:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed by the Speaker of the House to investigate the affairs of the New Orleans, Mobile and Chattanooga Railroad Company, to see if said company has complied with the requirements of their charter, and that said committee shall have power to send for persons and papers, and to report to this House as soon as practicable.

Which was read and adopted, under a suspension of the rules.

By Mr. Matthews, of Tensas:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed by the Speaker to investigate into the affairs and management of the Crescent City Live-Stock Landing and Slaughterhouse Company, to ascertain if they have complied with the provisions of their charter, granted by the Legislature of the State of Louisiana, in the management of their ferry privileges and in all other respects; and to employ a clerk, and report to the House at an early day as possible.

Which was read under a suspension of the rules, and adopted.

By Mr. J. B. Lott, of Rapides:

Resolved, That the rules of the House be so amended as to empower the Speaker to appoint a Committee on Unfinished Business, to consist of seven members.

Which lies over under the rules.

By Mr. Harry Lott, of Rapides:

Resolved, That the Committee on Elections and Qualifications be authorized to send for persons and papers in the investigation of any case that may come before them.

Which was read under a suspension of the rules and adopted.

By Mr. Brewster, of Ouachita:

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed by the Speaker to take into consideration that portion of the Governor's message relative to the bribery of State officials.

Which was read under a suspension of the rules and adopted.

By Mr. Brown, of Ascension:

Resolved, That the chairman of each committee of the House of Representatives, when not otherwise provided for by the Sergeant-at-Arms, in the State House, is hereby authorized to hire suitable rooms for the use of his committee, rent not to exceed twenty-five dollars per month.

Which was read under a suspension of the rules and adopted.

By Mr. Ringgold, of Orleans:

Resolved, That the Official Reporter of this House be, and is hereby authorized, to employ a competent stenographer as his assistant, whose duty it shall be to assist the Official Reporter in his duties, and whose compensation shall be at the rate of seven dollars a day.

Which was read under a suspension of the rules and adopted.

By Mr. Ong, of St. Bernard:

Resolved, That the Speaker appoint a special committee of three members of this body, whose duty it shall be to inquire into and report to this House, without unnecessary delay, the amount of compensation per diem paid the Criminal Sheriff of the parish of Orleans for the maintenance of prisoners in the Parish jail, and that said committee be instructed to report a bill fixing the rate of compensation per diem for each prisoner the aforesaid Sheriff shall be paid during his term of office.

Which lies over under the rules.

By Mr. Worrall, of Jefferson:

Resolved, That a special committee of three members of this House be appointed by the Speaker to investigate and report to the House the number of criminals who have been released on writs of habeas corpus, under various pretexts, by Judge W. H. Cooley, Judge of the Sixth District Court, since the meeting of the last Legislature. Also, the number of cases of persons charged with crime where a *nole prosequi* has been entered without an investigation in the First District Court.

Which was read, under a suspension of the rules, and adopted.

By Mr. Stevens, of Jackson:

Resolved, That the Speaker appoint a special committee of three members to examine the books and affairs of the Commissioners of Immigration, and that the said committee be allowed a clerk, and to send for persons and papers.

Which was read, under a suspension of the rules, and adopted.

By Mr. Souer, of Avoyelles:

Resolved, That the Speaker be authorized to appoint a committee, to consist of three members, to be known as the committee on comparing bills, whose duty it shall be to compare and verify all the bills passing the House, so that they may be exact in language and character with the original bill.

Which lies over, under the rules.

Mr. Young, of Concordia, called up the following resolution, which was read and adopted:

Resolved, That a special committee of three members of this House be appointed to investigate and examine into the affairs of the Ship Island Canal Company, for the purpose of ascertaining whether said company has complied with the conditions of its charter, granted by the Legislature of 1868-70; and that said committee have full power to examine all papers, books, plans, maps, documents and accounts connected with or belonging to said Ship Island Canal Company; and that said committee be further authorized and empowered to send for and examine, under oath if necessary, all persons connected with said company, or whomsoever the committee may think proper for the purpose of arriving at a true statement of said company's affairs; and that the committee be authorized to employ the necessary clerical aid for the same; and that the said committee visit the location of said Ship Island Canal. And be it further

Resolved, That the said committee be authorized to examine into the affairs of the Lake Borgne and Mexican Gulf Ship Canal Company, and report at an early day.

Mr. Ong, of St. Bernard, called up the following resolution, which was read and adopted:

Resolved, That the Speaker appoint a special committee of three (3) members of this House, whose duty it shall be to investigate the affairs of the lessees of the New Canal Company, and report to this body at an early day the conditions of said lease, and whether the lessees have complied with their contract or lease; also, to inquire into and report to this House what rights and interests, if any, the State has in said improvement, and that the committee have power to send for persons and papers, and to examine witnesses under oath.

Mr. Stanton, of Bossier, called up the following resolution, which was read and adopted:

A resolution for the appointment of a special committee of five to investigate all matters relating to the facilities and disadvantages of the wharves, landings and harbor of the port of New Orleans as relating to freight, passengers, storage and common carriers, and the prevention of dangerous contagrations thereat, and for other purposes.

The Speaker presented to the House the following communication from the Auditor of State, which was received and accepted:

STATE OF LOUISIANA,
Auditor's office,
New Orleans, January 10, 1871.

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

In the list which I enclosed to your honorable body on the second instant, in accordance with the one hundred and eighty-ninth section of the Revised Statute Laws, L. B. Dayries and Paulin Pollard, late Tax Collectors for the parish of Pointe Coupee, are reported as being conjointly in default to the State on account of taxes for the year 1867. Upon satisfactory explanation, however, it appears that Mr. Pollard is not responsible for the unpaid taxes of that year. I therefore respectfully request that Mr. Pollard's name be stricken off the said list.

JAMES GRAHAM,
Auditor.

Mr. Davidson, of Livingston, requested a leave of absence for the period of ten days for Mr. Cochran, of Lafayette, which was granted.

NOTICES OF BILLS.

Notices were given that at some future time the following entitled bills would be introduced:

By Mr. Harry Lott, of Rapides:

An act entitled an act granting certain privileges to the Louisiana Canal and Land Improvement Company.

An act entitled an act to provide for increased facilities to the commerce of New Orleans.

An act to prevent frauds in the sale and shipment of cotton at the port of New Orleans, and to provide and regulate the inspection thereof.

By Mr. Faulkner, of Caldwell:

An act entitled an act to incorporate the Crescent City Waterworks.

An act entitled an act to authorize a survey and estimate of the leveeing of certain bayous on the east bank of the Ouachita river, in the parish of Caldwell, and authorizing an appropriation therefor.

By Mr. Dewees, of De Soto:

An act entitled an act to incorporate the Louisiana Levee Company, to define the powers and duties of the same, to provide a revenue for the reclamation and protection from overflow of the alluvial lands of the State, and to repeal act No. 72 approved September 16, 1867.

An act entitled an act to incorporate the Mississippi Valley Levee Company, and relative thereto, and providing for the construction, repair and maintenance of certain levees by said company and for compensation therefor, by taxes on lands and personal property and tolls on the crops of said lands.

By Mr. Marvin, of Catahoula:

An act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Harrisonburg and fixing the boundaries thereof.

An act entitled an act to provide for the removal of obstructions from Bayou Macon and to improve the navigation thereof, and making an appropriation therefor.

By Mr. Hempstead, of Iberville:

An act entitled an act for the relief of A. J. Oliver and George Albare.

An act entitled an act to purchase five hundred copies of a Treatise on Attachments, with notes on the other conservatory writs under the laws of the State of Louisiana, by Kimball A. Cross.

By Mr. Morris, of Ascension:

An act entitled an act to empower the Police Jury of Ascension parish to open a public road from a point on the Mississippi river, running back to New river.

An act entitled an act for the proper observance of the day known as Sunday or the Christian Sabbath, and for other purposes.

By Mr. Davidson, of Livingston:

An act entitled an act to redistrict the police jury wards of the parish of Livingston.

An act entitled an act granting an appropriation of money to remove the obstructions from the Amite river as high up as Governor's Bluff; the Bayou Manchac to Hampton's ferry; the Tiefan to Lorin Chapman's; the Blood river to Duncan's Bluff, and the Natalbany river to Springfield, so as to make navigation in said rivers safe for vessels and steamboats.

By Mr. Buckingham, of Morehouse:

An act entitled an act for the relief of W. H. Vaughan, Tax Collector for the parish of Morehouse.

By Mr. Yorke, of Carroll:

An act entitled an act to facilitate the Land Improvement Company.

By Mr. Carter, of Cameron:

An act entitled an act for the relief of Thomas L. Maxwell, late Sheriff of the parish of Orleans.

By Mr. Blount, of Natchitoches:

An act entitled an act for the relief of Theodore Merritt, of Natchitoches.

By Mr. Butler, of Bienville:

An act entitled an act to relieve the citizens of Bienville parish, whose lands have been returned as the property of non-residents, by error of the tax collectors.

By Mr. Ong, of St. Bernard:

An act entitled an act for the relief of Francis C. Mahan.

By Mr. Brown, of Ascension:

An act entitled an act to incorporate the Stew Foundation Company for the State of Louisiana.

By Mr. Barrett, of Orleans:

An act entitled an act to exempt property from seizure and sale, and for the protection of the citizens of this State in their homesteads, and for other purposes.

By Mr. Stamps, of Jefferson:

An act for the relief of the parish of Jefferson, Right Bank.

Also, an act for the relief of W. B. Hyman.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Previous notice having been given, House bill No. 15, an act to incorporate the Roncal Waterpower Manufacturing Company, in the parish of Tangipahoa, was put upon its first reading.

The constitutional rule having been suspended, the bill underwent its second reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Previous notice having been given, House bill No. 16, an act to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Bayou Rapides Navigation Company," approved February 17, 1860, was read.

Under a suspension of the constitutional rule the bill was put upon its second reading and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

By permission, Mr. Ong, of St. Bernard, introduced House bill No. 17, an act to provide a revenue, to levy and collect taxes, to grant and collect licenses, to prescribe certain penalties and forfeitures, to provide for the creation and removal of revenue officers, and to define their duties, to punish certain crimes and misdemeanors, to create liens and mortgages in favor of the State in certain cases, to regulate the manner of the payment of moneys from the treasury, to prescribe certain duties of justices of the peace, State and parish officers, to provide for the collection of back taxes or licenses, and to repeal all acts inconsistent therewith.

Which was put on its first reading under a suspension of the rules.

The constitutional rule being suspended, the bill was read a second time by title, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Previous notice having been given, House bill No. 18, an act to allow Hypolite Belloce, of the parish of St. Mary, to sue the State for alleged damages sustained during the construction of levees, which was put on its first reading under a suspension of the constitutional rule, the bill was put upon its second reading, and referred to the Committee on Lands and Levees.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The first in order being consideration of the several vetoes of the Governor, they were taken up.

Mr. Matthews, of Tensas, moved that their consideration be postponed, and that they be made the special order of the day for next Thursday, nineteenth instant, and that the bills vetoed be printed, and laid upon the desks of members, upon the adoption of which the yeas and nays were demanded by Messrs. Hempstead, of Iberville, and Quinn, of Orleans, with the following result:

Yeas: Abell, Antoine, Baker, Barker, Barrett, Barrow, Belot, Bentley, Bowen, Brewster, Broussard, Brown, Buchanan, Burch, Carter, Cochran, Crawford, Darby, Darinsburg, Demas, Dewees, Durio, Ellis, Faulkner, Floyd, Fontelieu, Gaddis, Gardner, P. Harper, W. Harper, Johnson, Jordan, Kearson, Kenner, Llambias, H. Lott, J. Lott, Marvin, Matthews, McCarty, Meadows, Moncure, Moore, Morphy, Morris, Nelson, Otto, Overton, Quinn, Raby, Riley, Sartain, Souer, Stanton, Tatman, Tounoir, Tureaud, Wands, Washington, of Assumption, Washington, of Concordia, Waters, E. Williams, H. Williams, Wilson, Yerke, Young—66.

Nays: Blunt, Bryan, Butler, Garstkamp, Hempstead, Killen, Kinsella, Lynch, Ong, Oplatek, Schumacher, Stamps, Stevens, Stinson, Ullman, Worrall—16.

Carried.

Upon motion of Mr. Dewees, of DeSoto, the House was adjourned until to-morrow at twelve o'clock M.

WILLIAM VIGERS,
Chief Clerk.

DEBATES OF THE SENATE.

THURSDAY, January 12, 1871.

BATON ROUGE AND DONALDSONVILLE RIOTS.

Mr. Hunsaker introduced a joint resolution for a committee of investigation into the Baton Rouge and Donaldsonville riots.

Mr. Blackman: I oppose the resolution altogether. The committee if appointed could be of no service to the State, and no good to the people could result from its labors. These matters have undergone a very long and ample investigation before United States Commissioners in New Orleans, and it strikes me that to go back and re-investigate these occurrences would only add to the oppressive burdens of the State and would be both unnecessary and unwise. An investigation as to the causes of these riots can be of no use for future legislation. Do you propose to form a special code of laws for these two parishes to prevent such things in future? The days of peace and order committees have gone by. I ask the gentleman to point to one of these committees that resulted in any good to the State of Louisiana. True, they may have affected national legislation to some extent, and may have been justifiable under the then existing state of society. But here are ordinary riots and ordinary tumults which have already undergone an investigation ten times more thorough and effective than can ever be accomplished by a committee. Why reinvestigate the facts at a cost of fifteen or twenty thousand dollars to the State?

Mr. Hunsaker said: The reason why I proposed the passage of the resolution is this: A report has gone forth throughout the country that a class of people have been guilty of offenses of which I know they are innocent. I desire that all the facts connected with this whole matter should go to the world. I do not do this from any partisan motive, nor have I any personal object to serve by the inquiry, but I desire that a class of people who have been charged openly in the press of the country with instituting riot—who are charged to-day with murder. I want to see those charges disproved; I want to see the responsibility thrown where it belongs, and I want it to be done by public act of the Legislature. I always believe that the best way to put down the riots and disorders that go stalking through the State, is to expose them where they originate, and to expose the men connected with them. I desire to vindicate innocent men. I don't want hard working, industrious men whom I know, to stand censured by public opinion, to rest longer under charges which I know to be wrong.

Mr. Lynch: I hope this resolution will not pass. I see no good that can be accomplished by it. I do not see that injustice will be done to any person by the Legislature refusing to order this investigation. The parties accused are all before the courts, and, according to the evidence, they will be vindicated or punished. I hold that the courts are the proper tribunals to investigate the facts in these cases, and as I feel confident that justice will be secured before that tribunal, especially as there is a change of venue, and the matter can be investigated without passion or prejudice, I shall vote against the resolution, being satisfied that justice will be done and public opinion, if wrong, corrected.

Mr. Pinchback said he desired to explain his vote. He had seen a good many investigating committees appointed, and no practical good had ever resulted from them. The disorders still continued, and nobody was ever criminated or punished. Retrenchment being the order of the day, he should vote against the resolution as proposing an entirely useless expense.

The resolution was laid on the table.

DEBATES OF THE HOUSE.

THURSDAY, January 12, 1871.

The House met promptly at 12 M.

Speaker Carr in the chair.

The roll being called, ninety-seven members were found to be present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Morris, of Ascension, moved that the reading of the journal be dispensed with.

Carried.

Several resolutions were adopted without debate.

Mr. Ringgold, of Orleans, asked suspension of the rules to introduce a resolution authorizing the appointment of an assistant stenographer, at a salary of seven dollars per diem. Rules suspended.

Mr. Harper, of St. Charles: Mr. President, I am not very conceited myself, and I certainly think this is paying too dear for the whistle. I do not think what I say is of sufficient importance to employ two stenographers. The debates are never read by anybody outside of the House of Representatives except, probably, by their own friends on their return home. I think it is too much expense. What we say is not sufficiently worth while to spend so much money.

Mr. Ringgold: I think it is nothing but right that we should pay seven dollars per diem to a stenographer when we pay the same to clerks. I move the adoption, and call for the previous question.

Carried; yeas 48, nays 21.

Several bills were introduced and referred to committees.

The veto message of the Governor being called up, Mr. Matthews, of Tensas, moved for the postponement of the further consideration of the veto message until Thursday next, and that the bill be printed and laid on the table.

Carried; yeas 65, nays 15.

On motion of Mr. Dewees, of De Soto, the House adjourned at 1:15 P. M. until 12 M. to-morrow.

SHERIFF'S SALES.

Louis Frigerio, Jr., vs. William S. Crockett—Fourth District Court for the parish of Orleans. No. 24,855.

BY VIRTUE OF A WRIT OF SEIZURE AND sale to me directed by the Honorable the Fourth District Court for the Parish of Orleans, in the above entitled cause, I will proceed to sell at public auction, at the Merchants and Auctioneers' Exchange, Royal street, between Canal and Customhouse streets, in the Second District of this city, on MONDAY, February 13, 1871, at twelve o'clock M., the following described property, to-wit:

A CERTAIN LOT OF GROUND, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon and all the rights, ways, servitudes, privileges and advantages thereunto belonging, or in any wise appertaining, situate, lying and being in the Burg Duverge, in this parish, on the right bank of the Mississippi river, designated by the number sixteen of square number sixteen; bounded by Lavergne, Delaronde, Pierre and Bartholomew streets; said lot forming the corner of Lavergne and Pierre streets, measuring, French measure, thirty feet front on said Lavergne street, by one hundred and twenty feet depth and front on Pierre street, and bounded in the rear by lot number seventeen, as per plan drawn by Alcide D'Hemecourt, late Surveyor, the eighteenth of March, 1842, and deposited in the office of L. F. Claire, late a notary public, in this city.

Being the same property purchased by defendant herein, from William Gerard, by act passed on the fifteenth of August, 1863, before Aphonse Barnett, a notary public in this city.

Seized in the above suit.

Terms—Cash on the spot.

C. S. SAUVINET,
ja12 2t 612 Sheriff of the parish of Orleans.

Widow Aline Boulin vs. James Rainey—Sixth District Court for the parish of Orleans. No. 19,256.

BY VIRTUE OF A WRIT OF FIERI FACIAS to me directed by the Honorable the Sixth District Court for the Parish of Orleans, in the above entitled cause, I will proceed to sell at public auction, at the Merchants and Auctioneers' Exchange, Royal street, between Canal and Customhouse streets, in the Second District of this city, on MONDAY, February 13, 1871, at twelve o'clock M., the following described property, to wit—

The undivided one-fourth interest in and to—

1. A CERTAIN SQUARE OF GROUND, situated in the First District of this city, bounded by Claiborne, Willow, Poydras and Lafayette streets, divided into fifteen lots, numbered from one to fifteen, inclusive, as per plan of L. H. Pilie, late Surveyor, dated eighth December, 1858, and deposited in the office of E. Bouny, notary public; said square measuring, altogether, three hundred and forty-two feet nine inches and two lines front on Claiborne street, two hundred and twenty-two feet eight inches front on Lafayette street, three hundred and seventy-two feet three inches and five lines front on Willow street, and seventy-nine feet front on Poydras street.

2. AND ANOTHER SQUARE OF GROUND, situated in the same district, bounded by Poydras, St. Magdelene, Lafayette and St. Adeline streets, designated by the letter A, and composed of twenty-eight lots, numbered from one to twenty-eight, inclusive, as per plan of A. de Armas, Surveyor, dated seventh February, 1859, and deposited in the office of H. E. Cenas, late a notary public in this city; said square measuring altogether, two hundred and forty-five feet two inches and one line front on Poydras street, four hundred and seven feet eleven inches and seven lines front on St. Magdelene street, two hundred and fifty-three feet one inch and five lines front on Lafayette street, and three hundred and seventy-eight feet nine inches and five lines front on St. Adeline street; the whole American measure. Which said undivided fourth of said square of ground was acquired by the said defendant from the city of New Orleans and Baltimore, by two several acts one executed before P. Bouny, notary, on the fifteenth February, 1859, and the other executed before H. E. Cenas, then a notary public, on the sixteenth day of April, 1859.

Seized in the above suit.

Terms—Cash on the spot.

C. S. SAUVINET,
ja12 fd 613 Sheriff of the Parish of Orleans.

E. R. Hogan vs. Emilie Lucille Liotaud et als., Emilie Lucille Liotaud and widow of Jean Theophile Cavelier, Sophie Cavelier, wife of Auguste Donato (Auguste Donato, Theophile Cavelier, Alice Cavelier, Louis Cavelier, Felix Cavelier and Henriette Cavelier)—Seventh District Court for the parish of Orleans. No. 3666.

BY VIRTUE OF A WRIT OF SEIZURE AND SALE directed by the Honorable the Seventh District Court for the parish of Orleans, in the above entitled cause, to Thomas L. Maxwell, late Sheriff, and he said late Sheriff to me transferred, I will proceed to sell at public auction, at the Merchants and Auctioneers' Exchange, Royal street, between Canal and Customhouse streets, in the Second District of this city, on SATURDAY, January 21, 1871, at twelve o'clock M., the following described property, to wit—

1. The three undivided fourths in and to a certain portion of ground situate in the Second District of the city of New Orleans, on Orleans street between Burgundy and Rampart streets, measuring thirty-three feet eight inches front on Orleans street, by seventy feet six inches in depth—all French measure, and in conformity with a plan of Joseph Pilie, late City Surveyor, dated tenth of March, 1820, annexed to an act passed before Christoval de Armas, formerly a notary public in this city, dated thirteth June, 1820—being a sale of property to Jean Gonzales, and

2. Three undivided fourths in and to another portion of ground contiguous to the foregoing and forming one of the corners of Orleans and Burgundy streets, and measuring thirty-nine feet four inches front on Orleans street, and seventy feet six inches front on Burgundy street, French measure—on one side bounded by the property firstly described, and on the side of Burgundy street by the property of Mathilde Dorville. Together with the three-fourths undivided part of all the buildings and improvements, rights, ways, privileges, servitudes and dependences on the said property firstly and secondly described, as the whole will more fully appear by reference to an act passed before Robert J. Ker, notary public, in this city, on the twenty-ninth of July, 1869.

Seized in the above suit.

Terms—Cash on the spot.

C. S. SAUVINET,
de20 ja8 21 Sheriff of the parish of Orleans.

L. F. Parent vs. Mrs. Claire Aline Mioton, wife of Adolphe Treme—Seventh District Court for the parish of Orleans. No. 8334.

BY VIRTUE OF A WRIT OF SEIZURE AND sale to me directed by the Honorable the Seventh District Court for the Parish of Orleans, in the above entitled cause, I will proceed to sell at public auction, at the Merchants and Auctioneers' Exchange, Royal street, between Canal and Customhouse streets, in the Second District of this city, on SATURDAY, January 28, 1871, at twelve o'clock M., the following described property, to wit—

TWO CERTAIN LOTS OF GROUND, situated in Faubourg Washington, third district of this city, designated by the numbers three and four of square number twelve, on a plan of the thirty-first of March, 1835, drawn by Joseph Pilie, then surveyor, and deposited in the office of Felix de Armas, late a notary public in this city. Said lots measure each, in American measure, forty-five feet eight inches in front, on Congress street, by ninety feet deep, between parallel lines, and comprised within the square bounded by Elysian Love, Congress and Claps streets; together with all the buildings and improvements on said lots, and all the rights, ways, servitudes and privileges thereto belonging. Being the same property acquired by the defendant herein from Pierre Van Sooten, as per act passed before Amedee Pouyalet, notary public, in this city, dated the nineteenth day of May, eighteen hundred and fifty-four.

Seized in the above suit.

Terms—Cash on the spot.

C. S. SAUVINET,
de27 ja9 21 Sheriff of the Parish of Orleans.

Lafitte, Butlho & Co. vs. the African Method Episcopal Church of New Orleans—Fourth District Court for the parish of Orleans. No. 24,604.

BY VIRTUE OF A WRIT OF SEIZURE AND SALE directed by the Honorable the Fourth District Court for the parish of Orleans, in the above entitled cause, to Thomas L. Maxwell, late Sheriff, and he said late Sheriff to me transferred, I will proceed to sell at public auction, at the Merchants and Auctioneers' Exchange, Royal street, between Canal and Customhouse streets, in the Second District of this city, on SATURDAY, January 14, 1871, at twelve