

Constitutional rule, the bill was placed upon its third reading and final passage...

Mr. H. Lott, of Rapides, moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the bill was finally passed...

Mr. H. Lott, of Rapides, moved its reference to the Committee on Corporations.

Upon which a yeas and nays vote was demanded by Messrs. Quinn, of Orleans, and Townsend of St. James...

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Mr. Barrett, of Orleans, called up the following Senate bill: Senate bill No. 304, an act appropriating to Mrs. Ellen B. Dunn, widow of the late Lieutenant Governor Oscar J. Dunn, the balance of the salary that would have been due him had he lived to the end of his term of service, which was read.

Under a suspension of the constitutional rule the bill underwent its third reading and final passage, its title was adopted, and notice of concurrence was ordered to be sent to the Senate.

HOUSE BILLS ON THEIR SECOND READING. House bill No. 361, an act to be entitled an act to change the boundaries of the parishes of Cameron, St. Landry, Calcasieu and Vermilion; to provide for the election of police jurors, the transfer of certain records, and the collection of certain taxes in said parishes; to fix the seat of justice of the parish of Cameron, and for other purposes, which was read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

House bill No. 362, an act to increase the revenue of the State of Louisiana and city of New Orleans, and providing for the appointment of delinquent tax commissioners, and for other purposes, which was read and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House bill No. 363, joint resolution appointing a joint special committee to be composed of the members of the House and Senate, to inquire into the condition of the State of Louisiana, and to report thereon to the next session of the Legislature.

Mr. Matthews, of Tensas, offered the following amendment: That the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House appoint a joint committee of five to inquire into the condition of the State of Louisiana, and to report thereon to the next session of the Legislature.

Mr. Carr, of De Soto, offered the following amendment: That the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House appoint a joint committee of five to inquire into the condition of the State of Louisiana, and to report thereon to the next session of the Legislature.

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or against such ministerial officers in their respective official capacity; and Whereas, the Attorney General and the district attorneys are paid by the State...

Whereas, the Attorney General and the district attorneys are paid by the State large salaries, and it is the duty of the State to provide for their respective offices, and the public have a right to their service in return, and together with the judiciary...

Whereas, the Governor of the State, as the chief executive, charged to see the law faithfully executed, has the right, in the case of the absence, death, resignation or inability to act in any particular case of the Attorney General or proper district attorney...

SECTION I. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened, That hereafter it shall not be lawful for the Auditor of Public Accounts, the State Treasurer, or other ministerial officers of the State, to appear in any court of the State, either in person or by private counsel, to institute, maintain, defend, prosecute, or in any manner interfere, or attempt to control any suit, writ, or other legal process (except criminal proceedings) which may be brought against him in his official capacity, or in which the State may be interested directly or indirectly, or be in any way a party, but in all such cases the papers shall be served, if the action be instituted in the parish of Orleans, on the Attorney General, and in any other parish, on the proper district attorney, or district attorney pro tempore; and such officer shall thereupon become the sole charge of the conduct of such action, and the Court or other officer of the Attorney General may, in any case of necessity, designate an attorney-at-law to assist the Attorney of State; or, in case of his absence or inability to act, or if he be unwilling or interested to be charged of such case, with power to act; and it shall be the duty of the Auditor of Public Accounts, the State Treasurer, and other ministerial officers, to appear in any court charged with the execution of any State contract, or act enjoined by law, or pertaining to the duties of his station, on application of the State, or of any other party, to be pursued, to refer the matter, with all information in his possession, to the Attorney General of the State.

SECTION II. Be it further enacted, etc. That hereafter it shall not be lawful for any officer of the State to entertain, or maintain, or recognize any action, suit, writ, or other legal process, nor any pleading in any case where the public account, or other ministerial officer of the State, or other ministerial officer appears as party to the record, either in person or by private counsel; but all such actions, suits, writs, or other legal processes, shall be dismissed (either ex officio or on motion), as in case of non-suit, without prejudice to the right of parties interested; provided, that in any such case the officer, thus unlawfully appearing, shall be held liable for the cost of suit therein; and provided, further, that notice of such dismissal shall be served on the Attorney General or proper district attorney, who shall be authorized to institute or maintain such action as it stood at the moment of dismissal, without prejudice to the right of parties interested, if he should so desire to do so.

SECTION III. Be it further enacted, etc. That hereafter it shall be unlawful for the Auditor of Public Accounts to demand, receive or accept any other fee, reward, compensation or gratuity, or any other thing allowed by the constitution, and such amount for clerk hire, contingent expenses and office rent as may be allowed by law, not exceeding the aggregate \$500 per annum; provided, that nothing in this act shall be construed to relieve the Auditor of Public Accounts from the performance of such duties within his office as are now required by law for the performance of his duties.

SECTION IV. Be it further enacted, etc. That this act shall take effect from and after its passage, and all laws or parts of laws conflicting herewith are hereby repealed.

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INSURANCE. NEW ORLEANS MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

Corner of Canal and Camp streets. No. 104 Canal street.

TWELFTH ANNUAL STATEMENT—1871. In conformity with the requirements of their charter, the company publish the following statement:

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes premiums received during the year ending May 31, 1871, and net earned premiums.

The company have the following assets: Real estate, \$119,955 11; Cash, \$254,650 00; Loans on first mortgage, \$2,230 00; etc.

The above statement is a true and correct transcript from the books of the company.

J. W. HICKS, Secretary. Sworn to and subscribed before me, this twelfth day of January, 1872, by T. J. VIGES, President.

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INSURANCE. MERCHANTS' MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW ORLEANS.

No. 104 Canal street. SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL STATEMENT.

In conformity with the requirements of their charter, the company publish the following statement:

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes premiums received during the year ending May 31, 1871, and net earned premiums.

The company have the following assets: Real estate, \$119,955 11; Cash, \$254,650 00; Loans on first mortgage, \$2,230 00; etc.

The above statement is a true and correct transcript from the books of the company.

J. W. HICKS, Secretary. Sworn to and subscribed before me, this twelfth day of January, 1872, by T. J. VIGES, President.

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