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EXTRA SESSION

OF THE

THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

OF THE

STATE OF LOUISIANA.

Second Day's Session.

SENATE CHAMBER,
New Orleans, December 10, 1872.

In pursuance to adjournment the Senate met at twelve o'clock M., Hon. A. B. Harris, Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate, in the chair.

On call of the roll the following Senators answered to their names:

Messrs. Anderson, Barber, Blunt, Butler, Burch, Cage, Harris, P. F. Herwig, E. F. Herwig, Hunsaker, Harper, Ingraham, Jenks, Kelso, McMillen, Noland, Pollard, Stamps, Todd, Twitchell, Weber, Wharton, Worrell—23.

Prayer was then offered by Rev. C. H. Thompson.

BILL INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Barber:

Relative to the office of Attorney General, and directing the discontinuance of the proceedings before the Supreme Court of the United States.

On motion of Mr. Barber, the bill was put upon its first reading.

On call of the yeas and nays, the constitutional rule was suspended by the following vote:

Yeas—Anderson, Barber, Blunt, Butler, Burch, Brewster, Cage, Harris, P. F. Herwig, E. F. Herwig, Hunsaker, Harper, Ingraham, Jenks, Kelso, McMillen, Noland, Pollard, Stamps, Todd, Twitchell, Weber, Wharton, Worrall—24.

Nay—Daigle—1.

Four-fifths of the members present having voted in the affirmative, the bill was put upon its second reading and ordered ingrossed for a third reading.

The constitutional rule was further suspended by a four-fifths vote and the bill put upon its third and final reading.

The bill, having passed its several readings, was finally adopted on its third reading, with its title, on call of the yeas and nays, by the following vote:

Yeas — Barber, Blunt, Butler, Burch, Brewster, Cage, Harris, P. F. Herwig, E. F. Herwig, Harper, Ingraham, Kelso, Noland, Pollard, Stamps, Todd, Twitchell, Weber, Wharton, Worrall—20.

Nays — Anderson, Daigle, Hunsaker, Jenks, McMillen—5.

RESOLUTIONS.

A resolution offered by Mr. Barber was adopted as follows:

Resolved, That the Committee on Elections and Qualifications be empowered to send for persons and papers appertaining to any cases in contest that may come before them, and that they be authorized to administer oaths, and that the aforesaid committee be empowered to employ a clerk.

PETITIONS.

By Mr. Ingraham:

The petition of J. A. Masicot, contestant, vs. A. J. Lewis, for the Senatorship representing the third senatorial district for the State of Louisiana.

Also that the petition of C. F. Glaudin, contesting the seat of Edward Booth for the fourth Senatorial district.

Also the petition of Emile Detiege, contesting the seat of Albert Voorhies for the second senatorial district.

MORE MEMBERS QUALIFIED.

Mr. Anderson announced that Messrs. Booth and Voorhies were present and desired to be permitted to qualify by taking the required oath for membership of the Senate.

The President directed the members to come forward and take the requisite oath, whereupon they became duly qualified as members of the Senate, and took their respective seats in the Senate.

ADOPTION OF RULES.

On motion of Mr. Brewster, the following resolution was received:

Resolved, That the rules adopted by the Senate January, 1872, be and the same are hereby adopted for the use of the present session.

On motion of Mr. Ingraham, the following amendment was accepted by Mr. Brewster, to be added to the word "session," "until otherwise ordered."

The resolution was then adopted as amended.

On motion of Mr. Hunsaker, the following committee was appointed by the President to revise the rules of the Senate:

The President appointed Messrs. Hunsaker, Kelso and Brewster as said committee.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATION.

The following communication was received from his Excellency P. B. S. Pinchback, Governor:

STATE OF LOUISIANA,
Executive Department,
New Orleans December 10, 1872.

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened:

Called by the provisions of the constitution to succeed to the duties of Governor of the State. His excellency, after having convened the General Assembly in extraordinary session, having declined to communicate to you the objects which led him to convene you, I deem it my duty to recommend such measures of legislation as, in my opinion, the public good requires.

I would call your attention to the pending impeachment against his excellency, and would recommend that in due form of law a speedy trial of the same be had, to the end that public justice may be attained or the innocency of his excellency be established.

I would recommend that there should be instituted a most thorough investigation into the high-handed frauds alleged to have been perpetrated during the recent general election, with which the public press is teeming, and of which there would seem to be such overwhelming proofs in the courts, so that the authors of these outrages upon the great rights of the people, if they be found to have been committed, may be brought to condign punishment, and the fair name and fame of the State may be purged from the obloquy with which it would otherwise be stained. Therefore, I would recommend that a committee to investigate these alleged frauds and irregularities be appointed, with the fullest powers and authorized, if necessary, to sit in vacation. The right of suffrage is, at the last, at the foundation of all other personal rights in a republic, and if this right is given but in name, it is not the right of the individual deprived of his vote which is stricken down, but it is a blow aimed at the liberties of all the people. If, as is alleged, these frauds have taken such gigantic proportions and have been made to extend, like a sea, all over the State, it is your duty to have them and their authors thoroughly exposed, so that an example may be made which will tend to deter for all time all who are disposed to repeat such offenses. The Congress of the United States has done much to prevent and punish these invasions of our most sacred right, but if we would remain secure in its enjoyment we must co-operate with Congress to the fullest extent of our ability as legislators, and if further legislation is needed, as I think it is, this investigation will furnish much aid by showing the methods by which the people's rights have been assailed, and will thereby suggest the most effective means of their further protection.

It is painful to contemplate the necessities which called into exercise the power of Congress over the subject of voting in the States, and did that legislation need any vindication, I think it would be found in the election which has just taken place in our midst, at which it would seem that but for the wisdom of Congress, and the firmness of the federal court, the right to vote would have been little more than a mockery.

As the case at present stands, your session is, by the proclamation of his excellency, limited to the period of ten days; but if the good of the State shall seem to demand your longer presence as a General Assembly, I will take the suitable measures for the extension of your session.

The people have complained of oppressive laws. I would recommend that all laws which are justly obnoxious, or which bear oppressively upon any portion of the people of this State, whether political or economical, be modified or repealed, and that all your legislation be conducted not in the interests of any class, but with a view to protect the rights, and foster the interests of the whole people of this State.

P. B. S. PINCHBACK,
Lieutenant Governor, Acting Governor of Louisiana.

On motion of Mr. Barber the message was received and ordered by the Senate to be spread upon the journal of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Hunsaker, the Senate ordered that five hundred copies of the aforesaid message be printed for the use of the Senate.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE.

The following communication was received from the House of Representatives:

That the Senate be notified that the House of Representatives will be ready to receive the Senate at one o'clock this day, in joint session, for the purpose of counting and declaring the vote of the State in the recent election for Governor and Lieutenant Governor, as the law provides.

On motion of Mr. Ingraham, the following resolution was offered and received:

WHEREAS, The Senate having been notified by the House of Representatives of their readiness to meet in joint session to count and declare the vote in the late general election held November 4, 1872, for Governor and Lieutenant Governor for the State of Louisiana; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate proceed at the hour of 1 P. M. this day, to the chamber of the House of Representatives, then and there in joint session to count the votes cast for Governor and Lieutenant Governor, and proclaim the result, in accordance with article forty-eight of the constitution of the State.

Thereupon Mr. Voorhies offered the following as a substitute:

Resolved, That the House of Representatives be informed that in the opinion of the Senate the vote for Governor and Lieutenant Governor should be counted by the General Assembly at its regular meeting in January next, and for that reason the Senate declines to meet the House of Representatives in joint session, as proposed at one o'clock to-day.

On motion of Mr. Barber the substitute of Mr. Voorhies was ordered finally to lie on the table by the following vote, on call of the yeas and nays, ordered by Mr. McMillen:

Yeas—Barber, Blunt, Butler, Burch, Brewster, Cage, P. F. Herwig, E. F. Herwig, Harper, Ingraham, Jenks, Kelso, Noland, Pollard, Sypher, Stamps, Todd, Twitchell, Webber, Wharton, Worrall—21.

Nays—Anderson, Booth, Daigle, Hunsaker, McMillen, Voorhies.

The resolution of Mr. Ingraham was then adopted.

The Senate ordered the Secretary to inform the House of Representatives of its action, to the effect that the Senate was now ready to meet the House in joint session for the purpose aforesaid.

REFERENCE OF THE MESSAGE OF GOVERNOR.

On motion of Mr. Ingraham, it was ordered that the message of the Governor, as received by the Senate this day, be referred to a special committee of seven, to be appointed hereafter by the chair.

The hour of one o'clock having arrived, the chair directed that the Senate do then proceed in a body to the House of Representatives, in pursuance with the orders of the two respective houses aforesaid.

In Joint Session.

The President of the Senate, Hon. A. B. Harris, took the chair, and directed the Secretary of the Senate to call the roll of the Senate in joint session.

The following answered to their names:

Messrs. Anderson, Barber, Blunt, Booth, Butler, Burch, Brewster, Campbell, Cage, Daigle, Harris, P. F. Herwig, E. F. Herwig, Hunsaker, Harper, Ingraham, Jenks, Kelso, McMillen, Noland, Pollard, Sypher, Stamps, Todd, Twichell, Voorhies, Weber, Wharton, Worrall—29.

The Speaker of the House of Representatives then ordered the Clerk of the House to call the roll, when the following members answered to their names:

Speaker Lowell, Allain, Armstead, Antoine, Boarman, Bryant, Baker, Boyd, Benham, Blackstone, Bickham, Barrow, Connaughton, Cousin, Davis, Davidson, Demas, Devezin, Dejoie, Dumont, Dayries, Dewees, Estilette, Elliott, Fontelieu, Gair, Gantt, Guichard, Heffner, Hubeau, Hill, Hahn, Heath, Hedgepath, M. Jones, Keating, Kirkman, Kenyon, Kerr, King, Lewis, Landry, Lawes, Murrell (Lafourche), Murrell (Madison), Mahoney, Martinet, Marie, Matthews, Montaldo, Page, Paris, Rochon, Rodrigues, Souer, Sawyer, Stewart, Sartain, Snaer, Southard, Sutton, Sewell, Shakespeare, Thomas, Tureaud, Timony, Williams, Wilson, Wands, Young—69.

A quorum present.

The joint session, being composed of twenty-nine members of the Senate and sixty-nine members of the House, then proceeded in joint assembly to count and declare the votes cast at the general election held on the fourth day of November, 1872, for Governor and Lieutenant Governor, in accordance with ariticle forty-eight of the constitution.

The President of the Senate having stated the objects of the joint session, then appointed Senators Twitchell, Ingraham and Weber as tellers on the part of the Senate.

The Speaker of the House appointed Messrs. Dumont, Green and Souer as tellers on the part of the House.

The joint tellers then proceeded to examine and count, the returns of the votes cast in the several parishes of this State, which are as follows:

Official returns of the votes cast in the several parishes of the State of Louisiana on the fourth of November, 1872, for Governor.

Parishes.	W. P. Kellogg.	John McEnery.
Ascension	1,840	666
Assumption	1,912	1,276
Avoyelles	1,885	1,286
Baton Rouge, East	2,459	917
Baton Rouge, West	900	287
Bienville	428	872
Bossier	1,159	...
Caddo	1,238	627
Cameron	40	176
Caldwell	369	486
Calcasieu	96	548
Carroll	1,452	382
Concordia	1,671	186
Catahoula	878	678
Claiborne	942	1,357
De Soto	1,022	790
Feliciana, East	1,690	653
Feliciana, West	1,309	273
Franklin	268	535
Grant	779	165
Iberville	2,239	691
Iberia	965	616
Jackson	610	446
Jefferson	1,732	970
Livingston	146	553
Lafourche	1,792	1,697
Lafayette	482	884
Morehouse	1,262	625
Madison	1,756	305
Natchitoches	1,206	...
Ouachita	1,441	606
Plaquemines	2,163	460
Orleans	14,043	20,537
Pointe Coupee	1,454	1,092
Red River	913	362
Rapides	1,920	1,049
Richland	218	646
Sabine	62	789
St. John Baptist	1,167	538
St. James	1,852	657
St. Martin	718	670
St. Charles	1,231	119
St. Mary	1,667	739
St. Tammany	112	111
St. Landry	1,890	2,347
St. Bernard	469	260
St. Helena	541	437
Terrebonne	1,593	1,407
Tangipahoa	769	614
Tensas	2,275	166
Union	489	460
Vermilion	228	256
Vernon	39	692
Winn	109	575
Webster	824	577
Washington	176	494
Total	72,890	55,249

Official returns of the vote cast in the several parishes of the State of Louisiana on the fourth day of November, 1872, for Lieutenant Governor:

Parishes.	C. C. Antoine.	D. B. Penn.
Ascension	1,825	678
Assumption	1,878	1,312
Avoyelles	1,885	1,286
Baton Rouge, East	2,459	917
Baton Rouge, West	900	287
Bienville	428	872
Bossier	1,159	...
Caddo	1,238	627
Cameron	40	176
Caldwell	369	486
Calcasieu	69	578
Carroll	1,452	382
Concordia	1,673	186
Catahoula	878	678
Claiborne	932	1,379
DeSoto	1,003	797
Feliciana, East	1,671	675
Feliciana, West	1,297	281
Franklin	255	538
Grant	763	170
Iberville	2,229	694
Iberia	877	696
Jackson	601	440
Jefferson	1,701	1,006
Livingston	144	555
Lafourche	1,790	1,693
Lafayette	478	890
Morehouse	1,184	673
Madison	1,750	311
Natchitoches	1,206	...
Ouachita	1,410	673
Plaquemines	2,100	520
Orleans	12,208	22,181
Pointe Coupee	1,450	1,097
Red River	909	366
Rapides	1,920	1,049
Richland	210	656
Sabine	62	789
St. John the Baptist	1,164	541
St. James	1,830	662
St. Martin	707	646
St. Charles	1,201	140
St. Mary	1,650	758
St. Tammany	112	111
St. Landry	1,604	2,635
St. Bernard	459	268
St. Helena	539	526
Terrebonne	1,580	1,420
Tangipahoa	760	623
Tensas	2,270	170
Union	481	474
Vermilion	228	256
Vernon	39	692
Winn	109	575
Webster	824	577
Washington	176	494
Total	70,127	57,568

Senator Twitchell, on behalf of the joint tellers of both houses, presented the following report:

GENERAL ASSEMBLY, STATE OF LOUISIANA,
New Orleans, December 10, 1872.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives in joint session convened:

Your joint committee having made a canvass of the returns presented to them by the board of returning officers, pursuant to law, find the following result which they desire to present to the honorable Senate and House of Representatives in joint session convened.

FOR GOVERNOR.

William Pitt Kellogg 72,890
John McEnery 55,249

FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

C. C. Antoine 70,127
D. B. Penn 57,568

M. H. TWITCHELL,
E. L. WEBER,
JAMES H. INGRAHAM,
Tellers on the part of the Senate.

H. DUMONT,
C. J. GREENE,
L. J. SOUER,
Tellers on the part of the House of Representatives.

Whereupon the presiding officer of the Senate proclaimed "That William Pitt Kellogg having obtained the largest number of votes polled, in pursuance of the law and by the power vested in him by the constitution of the State of Louisiana, is hereby declared duly elected Governor of the State of Louisiana for the constitutional term of four years from the second Monday in January next."

"That C. C. Antoine having obtained the largest number of votes polled, in pursuance of the law and by the power vested in him by the constitution of the State, is hereby declared duly elected Lieutenant Governor of the State of Louisiana for the constitutional term of four years from the second Monday in January next."

On motion of Senator Hunsaker, the Senate withdrew to their chamber.

On reassembling in the Senate Chamber, the Senate was called to order.

[President Harris in the chair.]

On calling the roll, the following Senators answered to their names:

Anderson, Barber, Blunt, Booth, Butler, Burch, Brewster, Cage, P. F. Herwig, E. F. Herwig, Harper, Ingraham, Jenks, Kelso, Noland, Pollard, Sypher, Stamps, Twitchell, Voorhies, Weber, Wharton; Worrall—24.

The Chair announced a quorum present.

On motion of Senator Butler, the Senate adjourned until twelve o'clock M., Wednesday, eleventh instant.

The Chair announced that the Senate then stood adjourned.

CHARLES H. MERRITT,
Secretary of the Senate.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
New Orleans, December 10, 1872.

The House was called to order at 12 M.

Speaker Lowell in the chair.

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

Speaker Lowell and Messrs. Allain, Armstead, Antoine, Bowman, Bryant, Baker, Boyd, Blackstone, Brickham, Barrow, Connaughton, Couzin, Demas, Davidson, Davis, Devezin, Dejoie, Dumont, Dayries, Dewees, Estilette, Fontelieu, Grant, Gair, Gantt, Guichard, Heffner, Hubeau, Hill, Hahn, Heath, Hedgepath, Jones, Keating, Kenyon, Keys, Lewis, Landry, Lawes, Murrell (Lafourche), Murrell (Madison), Mahoney, Martinet, Marie, Matthews, Montaldo, Page, Paris, Rochon, Rodrigues, Souer, Sawyer, Stewart, Sartain, Snaer, Southard, Sutton, Sewell, Thomas, Tureaud, Williams, Wilson, Ward, Wands—64.

Quorum present.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Green.

The following gentlemen were sworn in by the Speaker and admitted to their seats: G. C. Benham, of Carroll, William Kern, of Jefferson, S. A. Shakespeare, of Orleans, and W. H. Kirkman, of Calcasieu.

MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

The Secretary of State was announced and delivered into the hands of the Speaker the returns of the election held November 4, 1872, for Governor and Lieutenant Governor, in accordance with the provisions of article forty-eight of the constitution of Louisiana.

On motion of Mr. John Gair, of East Feliciana, the reading of the journal in detail was dispensed with, and, after a few corrections, approved.

Mr. Dewees, of Red River, moved that a committee on rules, to be composed of five members, of which the Speaker shall be chairman, be appointed.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The following message from Acting Governor P. B. S. Pinchback was read, and, on motion of Mr. Hahn, of St. Charles, was ordered to be spread on the journal:

STATE OF LOUISIANA,
Executive Department,
New Orleans, December 10, 1872.

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened:

Called by the provisions of the constitution to succeed to the duties of Governor of the State, his excellency, after having convened the General Assembly in extraordinary session, having declined to communicate to you the objects which led him to convene you, I deem it my duty to recommend such measures of legislation as, in my opinion, the public good requires.

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P. B. S. PINCHBACK,
Lieutenant Governor, Acting Governor of Louisiana.

Under a suspension of the rules, Mr. Murrell, of Madison, offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Sergeant-at-Arms of this House be and he is hereby directed to report to this House what stationery and other supplies have been turned over to him by the late Sergeant-at-Arms, and whether said articles were not purchased within the last few weeks, and from whom purchased and at what price.

The following resolution, offered by Mr. Hahn, of St. Charles, was, under a suspension of the rules, adopted:

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, That the Senate be requested to meet this House in joint session, at 1 P. M. this day, for the purpose of examining and counting the votes cast at the election held November 4 last, for Governor and Lieutenant Governor.

The Speaker then directed the Clerk to proceed to the Senate and there inform that body to meet the House of Representatives in joint session at 1 P. M., for the purpose of counting the votes for Governor and Lieutenant Governor, according to the requirements of the constitution of the State.

The communications from Messrs. Judice, of Lafayette and D. Burrel, of St. John the Baptist, were referred to the Committee on Election and Qualifications.

[Mr. Mathews in the chair.]

The Chief Clerk informed the Speaker that he had notified the Senate that the House was ready to meet them in joint session to count the votes for Governor and Lieutenant Governor, and that the Senate would join the House in joint session at 1 P. M.

On motion of Mr. Murrell, of Madison, the House proceeded to the election of Minute Clerk.

Mr. Demas, of St. John the Baptist, moved that Mr. J. A. Greene be elected by acclamation.

Carried.

On motion of Mr. Sewell, of Orleans, the House proceeded to the election of an Assistant Minute Clerk, and moved that Mr. C. T. Haupt be elected by acclamation.

Carried.

On motion of Mr. Paris, of Orleans, the House proceeded to the election of two assistant sergeants-at-arms.

Nominations being in order;

Mr. Paris, of Orleans, nominated Mr. P. Z. Canonge.

Mr. Blackstone, of Natchitoches, nominated Mr. W. H. Tennard.

Mr. Murrell, of Madison, nominated Mr. N. Caston.

Mr. Gair, of East Feliciana, nominated Mr. J. P. Davis.

Mr. Stewart, of Tensas, nominated Mr. Robert J. Walker.

Mr. Hahn, of St. Charles, moved that when each member votes, he would vote for the candidates, and the one receiving the highest number of votes be declared the first assistant sergeant-at-arms.

Carried.

[The Speaker resumed the chair.]

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

The Secretary of the Senate was announced, and informed the House that the Senate was ready to join the House in joint session for the purpose of counting the votes for Governor and Lieutenant Governor.

Messrs. D. Young and George Washington, of Concordia, presented themselves, and were sworn in as members of the House.

The roll was called with the following result:

Mr. P. Z. Canonge received the following votes:

Bickham, Connaughton, Cousin, Demas, Davidson, Devezin, Dejoie, Dumont, Dewees, Elliott, Fontelieu, Gair, Gantt, Guichard, Heffner, Hubeau, Kirkman, Keys, Lawes, Murrell (Lafourche), Maric, Montaldo, Paris, Rochon, Souer, Snaer, Southard, Tureaud, Timony, Ward—30.

Mr. W. H. Tennard received the following votes:

Messrs. Armstead, Blackstone, Baker—3.

Mr. A. Caston received the following votes:

Messrs. Antoine, Bowman, Bryant, Boyd, Benham, Barrow, Dayries, Hill, Heath, M. Jones, Keating, Kenyon, Martinet, Montaldo, Page, Sartain, Sutton, Sewell, Thomas, Williams, Wilson—21.

Mr. J. P. Davis received the following votes:

Messrs. Allain, Antoine, Bryant, Baker, Boyd, Benham, Blackstone, Bickham, Barrow, Connaughton, Demas, Davidson, Davis, Devezin, Dejoie, Dumont, Dayries, Dewees, Elliot, Fontelieu, Gair, Gantt, Guichard, Heffner, Hubeau, Hahn, Heath, Hedgepath, M. Jones, Keating, Kirkman, Kenyon, Keys, Lewis, Landry, Lawes, Murrell (Madison), Mahoney, Martinet, Marie, Mathews, Page, Paris, Rochon, Rodrigues, Souer, Sawyer, Stewart, Sartain, Snaer, Southard, Sutton, Sewell, Thomas, Tureaud, Timony, Williams, Wilson, Ward, Wands—58.

Mr. Robert J. Walker received the following votes:

Messrs. Allain, Armstead, Bowman, Cousin, Davis, Hill, Hahn, Hedgepath, Lewis, Landry, Murrell (Lafourche), Murrell (Madison), Mathews, Rodrigues, Sawyer, Stewart, Southard, Wands—18.

On motion of Mr. Murrell, of Madison, the election of Messrs. P. Z. Canonge and J. P. Davis was made unanimous.

Joint Session.

The sergeant-at-arms then announced the honorable Senate of the State of Louisiana.

The President of the Senate, Hon. A. B. Harris, took the chair and directed the Secretary of the Senate to call the roll of the Senate in joint session.

The following answered to their names:

Messrs. Anderson, Barber, Blunt, Booth, Butler, Burch, Brewster, Campbell, Cage, Daigle, Harris, P. F. Herwig, E. F. Herwig, Hunsaker, Harper, Ingraham, Jenks, Kelso, McMillen, Noland, Pollard, Sypher, Stamps, Todd, Twitchell, Voorhies, Weber, Wharton, Worrall—29.

The Speaker of the House of Representatives then ordered the Clerk of the House to call the roll, when the following members answered to their names:

Speaker Lowell, Allain, Armstead, Antoine, Boarman, Bryant, Baker, Boyd, Benham, Blackstone, Bickham, Barrow, Connaughton; Cousin, Davis, Davidson, Demas, Devezin, Dejoie, Dumont, Dayries, Dewees, Estilette, Elliott, Fontelien, Gair, Gantt, Guichard, Heffner, Hubeau, Hill, Hahn, Heath, Hedgepath, M. Jones, Keating, Kirkman, Kenyon, Kerr, King, Lewis, Landry, Lawes, Murrell (Lafourche), Murrell (Madison), Mahoney, Martinet, Marie, Mathews, Montaldo, Page, Paris, Rochon, Rodrigues, Souer, Sawyer, Stewart, Sartain, Snaer, Southard, Sutton, Sewell, Shakespeare, Thomas, Tureaud, Timony, Williams, Wilson, Wands, Young—69.

A quorum present.

The joint session, being composed of twenty-nine members of the Senate and sixty-nine members of the House, then proceeded in joint assembly to count and declare the votes cast at the general election held on the fourth of November, 1872, for Governor and Lieutenant Governor, in accordance with article forty-eight of the constitution.

The President of the Senate having stated the objects of the joint session, then appointed Senators Twitchell, Ingraham and Weber as tellers on the part of the Senate.

The Speaker of the House appointed Messrs. Dumont, Green and Souer as tellers on the part of the House.

The joint tellers then proceeded to examine and count the returns of the votes cast in the several parishes of this State, which are as follows:

Official returns of the votes cast in the several parishes of the State of Louisiana on the fourth of November, 1872, for Governor.

Parishes.	W. P. Kellogg.	John McEnery.
Ascension	1,840	666
Assumption	1,912	1,276
Avoyelles	1,885	1,286
Baton Rouge, East	2,459	917
Baton Rouge, West	900	287
Bienville	428	872
Bossier	1,159	...
Caddo	1,238	627
Cameron	40	176
Caldwell	369	486
Calcasieu	96	548
Carroll	1,452	382
Concordia	1,671	186
Catahoula	878	678
Claiborne	942	1,357
DeSoto	1,022	790
Feliciana, East	1,690	653
Feliciana, West	1,309	273
Franklin	268	535
Grant	779	165
Iberville	2,239	691
Iberia	965	616
Jackson	610	446
Jefferson	1,732	970
Livingston	146	553
Lafourche	1,792	1,697
Lafayette	482	884
Morehouse	1,262	625
Madison	1,756	305
Natchitoches	1,206	...
Ouachita	1,441	606
Plaquemines	2,163	460
Orleans	14,043	20,537
Pointe Coupee	1,454	1,092
Red River	913	362
Rapides	1,920	1,049
Richland	218	646
Sabine	62	789
St. John Baptist	1,167	538
St. James	1,852	657
St. Martin	718	670
St. Charles	1,231	119
St. Mary	1,667	739
St. Tammany	112	111
St. Landry	1,890	2,347
St. Bernard	469	260
St. Helena	541	437
Terrebonne	1,593	1,407
Tangipahoa	769	614
Tensas	2,275	166
Union	489	460
Vermilion	228	256
Vernon	39	692
Winn	109	575
Webster	824	577
Washington	176	494
Total	72,890	55,249

Official returns of the vote cast in the several parishes of the State of Louisiana on the fourth day of November, 1872, for Lieutenant Governor:

Parishes.	C. C. Antoine.	D. B. Penn.
Ascension	1,825	678
Assumption	1,878	1,312
Avoyelles	1,885	1,286
Baton Rouge, East	2,459	917
Baton Rouge, West	900	287
Bienville	428	872
Bossier	1,159	...
Caddo	1,238	627
Cameron	40	176
Caldwell	369	486
Calcasieu	69	578
Carroll	1,452	382
Concordia	1,673	186
Catahoula	878	678
Claiborne	932	1,379
DeSoto	1,003	797
Feliciana, East	1,671	675
Feliciana, West	1,297	281
Franklin	255	538
Grant	763	170
Iberville	2,229	694
Iberia	877	696
Jackson	601	440
Jefferson	1,701	1,006
Livingston	144	555
Lafourche	1,790	1,693
Lafayette	478	890
Morehouse	1,184	673
Madison	1,750	311
Natchitoches	1,206	...
Ouachita	1,410	673
Plaquemines	2,100	520
Orleans	12,208	22,181
Point Coupee	1,450	1,097
Red River	909	366
Rapides	1,920	1,049
Richland	210	656
Sabine	62	789
St. John the Baptist	1,164	541
St. James	1,830	662
St. Martin	707	646
St. Charles	1,201	140
St. Mary	1,650	758
St. Tammany	112	111
St. Landry	1,604	2,635
St. Bernard	459	268
St. Helena	539	526
Terrebonne	1,580	1,420
Tangipahoa	760	623
Tensas	2,270	170
Union	481	474
Vermilion	228	256
Vernon	39	692
Winn	109	575
Webster	824	577
Washington	176	494
Total	70,127	57,568

Senator Twitchell, on behalf of the joint tellers of both houses, presented the following report:

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