Appeal.

TENNESSEE LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.

THURSDAY, January 16.—The senate was called to order at 9 o'clock A. M., by the speaker.

RESOLUTIONS OF LINCOLN.

Mr. Thompson introduced a series of resolutions declaring against Lincoln's election, which were read and ordered over, and read the 3rd time.

Resolution, The election of Mr. Lincoln to the Presidency, and of Mr. Hamlin to the office of Vice President of the United States, by a party entirely sectional in its organization, and hostile to the interest, honor and prosperity of the South; and whereas, the rapidly growing strength of this sectional party in Northern States since 1856, having invigorated its leaders and their fanatical followers with an almost insane determination of purpose to accomplish the great objects of its organization, viz: the ultimate extinction of African slavery, and the equality of the negro with the white man, by the violation of every principle as set forth in the preamble of the Constitution, and also in violation of the provisions of that instrument; and whereas, the General Government was created and formed by a compact of the States, and all the parties being derived therefrom, possessing only such powers as were conceded by the States; and whereas, the States having retained all the powers to themselves that were not ceded to the General Government, and the power to secure or preserve a State without its consent being nowhere to be found in the enumeration of the powers delegated to the Government; and whereas it was never contemplated by the framers of our Constitution that sectional parties, with sectional principles, shall ever control the destinies of this country; Therefore,

Resolved, That the election of Mr. Lincoln is evidence of the corrupt verging strength of sectional party, with the avowed declaration of purpose of an independent sovereignty; and that the interest, honor and future welfare, imperatively call for this course.

Resolved, That the glorious example of South Carolina, Alabama, Florida and Mississippi, and the other cotton States, is worthy of consideration by Tennessee, and we anxiously await the time when she will, like them, throw off the shackles and fetters with which the despotic and Black-Republican despotism will so grievously oppress her, and take her position among them as an independent sovereignty.

Resolved, That when Tennessee, in connection with other Southern States, shall have declared their separate independence, that we earnestly desire a united southern confederacy, based upon the Constitution of our fathers; and further,

Resolved, That any attempt on the part of the General Government to coerce the seceding States, will be an assumption of power it does not legitimately possess; and our Representatives in Congress are hereby requested and instructed to use every means within their power to prevent the same, failing in which, they will immediately report and instruct their home constituents.

The Senate bill for calling a State convention was carefully postponed.

SENATE BILLS ON THIRD READING.

No. 2, to provide for an appraisement law, was taken up, amendments proposed, some voted down and others adopted, and then the bill passed its third reading—ayes 16, nays 8—and sent to the House.

Mr. Bradford offered a motion to consider the vote just taken.

CALLING A STATE CONVENTION.

The bill from the house calling a State convention, which passed the House the morning, was taken up for its third reading, read and amended in several respects, after which a long and spirited debate ensued on the amendments, finally adopted, whereupon

Mr. Trewhitt moved to appoint Messrs. Stokes and Jones a special committee, to whom the original bill and amendment be referred, which was carried, whereupon

RESOLUTIONS ON FEDERAL RELATIONS.

Resolution No. 4, reported by the committee on federal relations, were taken up and amended by

Mr. Payne, who proceeded to address the Senate on the subjects embraced therein, at considerable length, and before concluding his remarks, the hour of adjournment having arrived, Mr. Bigger gave way for

A SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR,

Transmitting the secretary of State, rules for the starting fund referred, etc., read and twenty-five copies ordered to be printed, and referred to a special committee of Messrs. Richardson, Johnson, Peters and Bradford.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The Speaker called the House to order at 10 o'clock.

RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Trewhitt offered a series of resolutions declaring it to be the duty of the President to enforce the federal laws enacted in pursuance of the Constitution, North and South alike, and to quote the language of Washington, Jefferson, Madison, Jackson, and Andrew Johnson on the subject and right of secession. The resolutions lie over under the rule.

Mr. Ridley offered a resolution requesting the Governor to furnish the house at his earliest convenience a statement of the condition of the State Treasury, and current expenditures. We understand that companies have been formed in Memphis to bring the bonds of the State home. Without in any way impugning the motives of the Memphis gentlemen, we think it only just to say that we do not believe that any of them intend to realize a single dollar by dealing in our State securities. You want to breathe easy, Mr. Speaker, and sleep soundly, for your people are not to be swindled in this way. The people of Memphis are a noble people. The spunk of the people of Memphis is up for your truth. Every attempt to throw over those bonds will be met and checked at first sight. Memphis is for the State of Tennessee. "This is our question," said Governor Gardenhire, "and we will say, 'I'll let it in myself.'" They meet. Stark resolutions will be introduced, and the Memphis delegation will be found in the front rank of the battle. Memphis will not be sold out. Memphis will not be swindled. Memphis will not be cheated. Memphis will not be robbed. Memphis will not be plundered. Memphis will not be delivered over to the spoilers. Memphis will not be sold, nor will her people be sold, nor will her property be sold, nor will her people be sold, nor will her property be sold, nor will her people be sold, nor will her property