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Monday, 8th March, 1841.

The Senate met agreeably to adjournment.

Members present—Messrs. Fe ix Garcia, President; Armant, Bossier, Dupré, Downs, Davidson, Hoa, Hiriart, Lacoste, Porche, Scott, of Baton Rouge; Scott, of Feliciana; Sparrow, Thibodeaux, Walker and Waggaman. 9.

Mr. Waggaman, of the committee of enrolment, reported the following bills and resolutions as duly enrolled:

'An act to incorporate the Union Male and Female Academy.

'An act to abolish tax fees in the Parishes of Rapides and St. Landry.

'Resolution directing a geological survey of the state.

'Resolution authorising the State Treasurer to pay a certain sum of money to J. A. Ca ter, of the parish of Natchitoches.

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'An act supplementary to an act entitled an act for establishing the boundary lines of the parish of Ascension, approved February 21, 1841.'

'An act supplementary to the act entitled 'An act for the regulation of seamen in the port of New-Orleans and bayou St. John, and for other purposes, approved January 24th, 1822.'

'An act for the relief of the Battalion of Artillery of Orleans and of the Washington Battalion.'

'An act for the relief of the securities of A. B. Sterrit.'

And the speaker of the house had signed the enrolled bill of the senate entitled, 'An act authorising the removal of the person and property of the interdicted Thomas P. Briggs, and also to release the security on the bond of his curator Frederick A. Briggs.'

The secretary informed the house that the senate had decided that the additional section appended by the house, to the bill entitled 'An act to grant an appropriation to the Artillery Company of Baton Rouge,' which additional section made an appropriation for the completion of the Arsenal at Donaldsonville, was out of order, in so much as its introduction is a violation of the rules of the senate; the senate having already taken action on a similar provision in another bill from the house of representatives, which was indefinitely postponed; and that the senate considered the same as rejected.

The resistant clerk of the house informed the senate that the house had signed the enrolled bill entitled 'An act to establish a ferry and bridge in the parish of Madison.

He further requested the signature of the president of the senate to the following enrolled bills and resolutions of the house:

'An act to compel the different parish judges to keep their office at the seat of Justice in their respective parishes, and for other purposes.

'An act to simplify the mode of pleading in the state courts.

'An act authorizing the issuing of five new bonds in favor of the Union Bank of Louisiana, underwent its second and third readings and passed.

Mr. Armant, reported the following as duly enrolled:

'An act granting to the parish of Madison the advantage of the annual appropriation for Parish Schools.'

'An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to authorise Mrs. Mary E. Tyler to act as tutrix of the minor children of H. H. Gurley, her father, deceased, and for other purposes; approved April 24, 1832.'

'An act supplementary to an act entitled an act to create a register of mortgages in and for the parish of Natchitoches, approved March 12th, 1840.' And

'An act to incorporate the St. Mary's Market Steam Ferry Company.'

'An act authorizing the removal of certain original papers and documents, from the parishes of Carroll and Concordia, to the parish of Madison,' underwent its first reading.

On motion of Mr. Dupré, the senate took up the bill entitled 'An act to provide for the appointment of assessors in the parish of Calcasieu, and for other purposes,' and the same was read for the first time; on motion, the rules were dispensed with, it underwent its second and third readings and passed.

Mr. Forstall, the governor's private secretary, informed the senate that the governor had approved and signed the following bills and resolutions:

'Resolution relative to the clearing of the mouth of the river Atchafalaya, at the Mississippi, and the mouth of Grande Ilivière at its junction with bayou Plaquemines.

'An act to amend the second section of an act entitled 'An act for the encouragement of Spring Creek Academy,' approved March 13th, 1839.' And,

'An act to create a State Attorney for each of the parishes of East and West Feliciana and East Baton Rouge and for other purposes.'

He also delivered a message in writing from the governor.

Mr. Thibodeaux, of the committee of enrollment, informed the senate, that he had submitted to the governor for his approval and signature, the following enrolled bills:

'An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to create a separate police jury in and for that portion of the parish of Orleans situated on the right bank of the river Mississippi,' approved March 28th, 1840, and for other purposes.

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'Resolution granting leave of absence to Wm. J. Palfrey, parish judge of the parish of St. Mary.'

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'An act explanatory of articles 128 and 568 of the Code of Practice, and for other purposes.

'An act to repeal the act approved March 1st, 1819, extending the limits of the town of St. Francisville, and to incorporate the same so far as relates to that part of said town as includes the village, as laid out at the mouth of Bayou Sara, in the parish of West Feliciana, and for other purposes.'

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Mr. Sparrow offered the following resolutions, which were read, the rules were dispensed with, they underwent their second and third readings and passed.

Resolved, That a select committee of three be appointed to examine and report to the senate at its next session:

'1st. The extent and the cost of all the levees which have been made on the Mississipi, in this state, from the mouth of Red River to the Northern line of the state, and what portion of the lands lying on the river are yet unlevied, and what it will cost to levy them.

'2d. What quantity of wha. land belonging to the state, lying on the Mississippi river, within said limits, has been levied, by whom and at what cost. How much yet remains to be levied, and what will be the cost thereof.

'3d. How much land belonging to the State, to the United States, and to individuals respectively, has been secured from inundation and benefited by the levees which have been built, and what additional value have these works given thereto. What additional quantity will be protected from inundation when the levees are substantially built in a continuous line from Arkansas to Red River, and what increased value will be given to said lands thereby; and generally to enquire and report the advantages resulting to the state at large, and particularly the Northern portion of it by the erection on the bank of the Mississippi river of permanent and secure levees.

The president appointed Messrs Sparrow, Hiriart and Downs, of the committee appointed by the said resolutions:

On motion of Mr. Hoa, the Secretary was directed to request of the house to return to the senate the bill entitled 'An act to repeal the first section of an act creating the office of harbor master, passed on the first of March, 1805, and all other acts, or parts of acts, providing for the creation of said office, and the appointment of said officer,' to which the concurrence of the house was requested this morning, for the purpose of correcting an error, which had escaped notice.

The house returned said bill to the senate.

The said bill was corrected and returned to the house, who concurred in said correction.

Mr. Davidson moved to reconsider the resolution, which was laid indefinitely on the table this morning, authorizing the State Treasurer to pay a certain sum of money to the Merchant's Exchange Company, for the purpose therein set forth, and called for the yeas and nays.

For the reconsideration were Messrs. Armand, Davidson, Hoa, Scott, of Feliciana and Thibodeaux—5 yeas.

Against it were Messrs. Bossier, Dupré, Downs, Lacoste, Porche, Scott, of Baton Rouge; Sparrow and Walker—8 nays.

Mr. Davidson's motion was consequently lost.

Mr. Waggaman reported the following bills and resolutions as duly enrolled:

'An act relative to criminal prosecutions in the first Judicial District.'

'An act to grant to the board of administrations of public schools for the parishes of Claiborne and Assumption, certain powers therein named and for other purposes.

'An act to increase the compensation to jurors in the ninth judicial district.'

'An act to authorize the parish judge of the parish of Concordia to appoint a deputy clerk of the Probate Court and for other purposes.

'An act for the relief of the parish judge of the parish of Natchitoches.

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'An act for the relief of Municipality No. One, of New Orleans.' And,

'An act to compel the different Parish Judges to keep their office at the seat of Justice, in their respective parishes and for other purposes.'

The assistant clerk of the house informed the senate that the house had concurred in—

'An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to establish the manner of electing Police Jurors, in the parish of Rapides and for other purposes; approved March 9th, 1836.'

'An act authorizing the issuing of five new bonds in favor of the Union Bank of Louisiana.' And,

'An act relative to sheriff' sales.'

He also informed the senate that the house recedes from its amendments to the bill entitled,

'An act to grant an appropriation to the Artillery Company of Baton Rouge.'

'An act making an appropriation for the use of the penitentiary,' underwent its first reading; on motion, the rules were dispensed with, and it underwent its second reading.

Mr. Downs moved to amend said bill, by reducing the appropriation from —— thousand dollars to four thousand dollars, and called for the yeas and nays.

For the reduction, were Messrs. Bossier, Downs, Scott, of Feliciana; and Walker—4 yeas.

Against it, were Messrs, Armant, Dupré, Davidson, Hoa, Hiriart, Lacoste, Porche, Scott, of Baton Rouge; Thibodeaux and Waggaman—10 nays.

Mr. Downs' motion was consequently lost.

Mr. Armant reported the following bills and resolutions as correctly enrolled:

'An act for the relief of the Battalion of Artillery of Orleans and of the Washington Battalion.

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'An act to repeal the act approved March 1st, 1819, extending the limits of the town of St. Francisville, and to incorporate the same so far as relates to that part of said town as includes the village, as laid out at the mouth of Bayou Sara, in the parish of West Feliciana, and for other purposes.'

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For the reduction, were Messrs. Bossier, Downs, Scott, of Feliciana; and Walker—4 yeas.

Against it, were Messrs, Armant, Dupré, Davidson, Hoa, Hiriart, Lacoste, Porche, Scott, of Baton Rouge; Thibodeaux and Waggaman—10 nays.

Mr. Downs' motion was consequently lost.

Mr. Armant reported the following bills and resolutions as correctly enrolled:

'An act authorizing the issuing of five new bonds in favor of the Union Bank of Louisiana.'

'An act to amend the 513th article of the code of practice.'

Mr. Hiriart moved to lay the said bill on the table and called for the yeas and nays.

For the adoption were—Messrs. Bossier, Porche, Scott of Baton Rouge; Sparrow and Walker—5 yeas.

Against it were—Messrs. Armant, Downs, Hoa, Hiriart, Scott of Feliciana; and Waggaman—6 nays.

The said additional section was consequently lost.

Mr Scott of Baton Rouge then offered the following as another additional section, and called for the yeas and nays on its adoption.

Be it further enacted, &c. That from and after the passage of this act, no member of the legislature shall be elected as a director in any bank of this state.

For its adoption were Messrs. Armant, Bossier, Downs, Hoa, Hiriart, Scott of Baton Rouge; Scott of Feliciana; Sparrow, Walker and Waggaman—9 yeas.

Mr. Hoa's amendment to Mr. Hiriart's motion was lost.

For the postponement were—Messrs. Armant, Hoa, Hiriart, Porche and Scott, of Baton Rouge; Scott of Feliciana; Sparrow, Walker and Waggaman—6 nays.

Mr. Hiriart's motion for the postponement, was consequently lost.

The assistant clerk of the house informed the senate, that the speaker of the house, had signed the following enrolled bills of the senate.

'An act to repeal the first section of an act creating the office of harbor master, passed on the 31st March, 1805, and all other acts or parts of acts, providing for the creation of said office, and the appointment of said officer.'

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'An act to change the names of Cornelius Eccoffié, Senior, John Eccoffié, Alexander Eccoffié, Cornelius Eccoffie, Junior, and Agnes Catherine Almira Eccoffie.'

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The assistant secretary requested the signature of the speaker of the house to the bill entitled 'An act to amend an act entitled an act to establish the manner of electing police jurors in the parish of Rapides, and for other purposes, approved March 9th, 1836.'

Mr. Bossier reported the following bills and resolution as duly enrolled:

'Resolution relative to a dredging machine invented by Dr. J. R. Putnam.'

'An act for the relief of the Asylums of New Orleans.'

'An act for the relief of G. P. Briant, sheriff of the parish of St. Martin.'

'An act to amend the act entitled 'An act relative to roads and levees, in the parish of Plaquemines.'

'An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Medical Society of New Orleans, and for other purposes.'

'An act to amend an act to organize the Supreme Court of the State of Louisiana.'

'An act making an appropriation to aid in the construction of a road leading from Bayou Grosse Tête, in the parish of Iberville, to the Mississippi river.'

'An act relative to certain banks and vessels trading up and down the Mississippi river, within the limits of this state,' and

'An act to amend the civil code of Louisiana, and to fix the amount of recovery in cases of avulsion.'

The resolution relating to the number of representatives in Congress, in relation to sixteenth sections of government lands reserved for public schools,' underwent its second reading and was amended.

The rules were dispensed with, it underwent its third reading and passed as amended, and the house was informed thereof.

The assistant secretary also requested the concurrence of the house, to 'An act for the relief of the widow of Jules Noel.'

On motion the senate sat with closed doors on executive business.

The doors being opened, the assistant clerk of the house informed the senate that the house had concurred in

'An act for the relief of the widow of Jules Noel.'

Mr. Armant informed the senate that he had submitted to the governor for his approval and signature, the following bill and resolutions:

'An act to change the names of Cornelius Eccoffié, senior, John Eccoffié, Alexander Eccoffié, Cornelius Eccoffie, junior, and Agnes Catherine Almira Eccoffie.'

'An act relative to the roads and levees of the parish of Rapides.'

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'An act to amend an act entitled an act to accord certain privileges to the town of Natchitoches, approved February 5th, 1819, and for other purposes.

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'An act granting to James Andrews, Senr., the exclusive privilege of keeping a ferry across the Mississippi river, for a limited period.

'An act to provide for the appointment of assessors in the parish of Calcasieu and for other purposes.

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'An act to compel the different Parish Judges to keep their office at the seat of Justice, in their respective parishes and for other purposes.'

The assistant clerk of the house informed the senate that the house had concurred in—

'An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to establish the manner of electing Police Jurors, in the parish of Rapides and for other purposes; approved March 9th, 1836.'

'An act authorizing the issuing of five new bonds in favor of the Union Bank of Louisiana.' And,

'An act relative to sheriff' sales.'

He also informed the senate that the house recedes from its amendments to the bill entitled,

'An act to grant an appropriation to the Artillery Company of Baton Rouge.'

'An act making an appropriation for the use of the penitentiary,' underwent its first reading; on motion, the rules were dispensed with, it underwent its second reading.

Mr. Downs moved to amend said bill, by reducing the appropriation from —— thousand dollars to four thousand dollars, and called for the yeas and nays.

For the reduction, were Messrs. Bossier, Downs, Scott, of Feliciana; and Walker—4 yeas.

Against it, were Messrs, Armant, Dupré, Davidson, Hoa, Hiriart, Lacoste, Porche, Scott, of Baton Rouge; Thibodeaux and Waggaman—10 nays.

Mr. Downs' motion was consequently lost.

Mr. Armant reported the following bills and resolutions as correctly enrolled:

'An act authorizing the issuing of five new bonds in favor of the Union Bank of Louisiana.'

'An act to amend the 513th article of the code of practice.'

Mr. Hiriart moved to lay the said bill on the table and called for the yeas and nays.

For the adoption were—Messrs. Bossier, Porche, Scott of Baton Rouge; Sparrow and Walker—5 yeas.

Against it were—Messrs. Armant, Downs, Hoa, Hiriart, Scott of Feliciana; and Waggaman—6 nays.

The said additional section was consequently lost.

Mr Scott of Baton Rouge then offered the following as another additional section, and called for the yeas and nays on its adoption.

Be it further enacted, &c. That from and after the passage of this act, no member of the legislature shall be elected as a director in any bank of this state.

For its adoption were Messrs. Armant, Bossier, Downs, Hoa, Hiriart, Scott of Baton Rouge; Scott of Feliciana; Sparrow, Walker and Waggaman—9 yeas.

Mr. Hoa's amendment to Mr. Hiriart's motion, was lost.

For the postponement were—Messrs. Armant, Hoa, Hiriart, Porche and Scott, of Baton Rouge; Scott of Feliciana; Sparrow, Walker and Waggaman—6 nays.

Mr. Hiriart's motion for the postponement, was consequently lost.

The assistant clerk of the house informed the senate, that the speaker of the house, had signed the following enrolled bills of the senate.

'An act to repeal the first section of an act creating the office of harbor master, passed on the 31st March, 1805, and all other acts or parts of acts, providing for the creation of said office, and the appointment of said officer.'

'An act relative to the advertisements of sheriffs sale,' and

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Mr. Forstall, informed the senate that the governor had approved and signed the following bills and resolutions:

'An act to incorporate the Union Male and Female Academy, of the parish of Union.

'An act to establish a ferry and bridge, in the parish of Madison.'

'An act to increase the compensation to jurors in the ninth judicial district.'

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'An act to pay B. Bryan for expenses paid by him for a runaway slave, who died in jail.' And

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The assistant secretary requested the signature of the speaker of the house to the bill entitled 'An act to amend an act entitled an act to establish the manner of electing police jurors in the parish of Rapides, and for other purposes, approved March 9th, 1836.'

Mr. Bossier reported the following bills and resolutions as duly enrolled:

'Resolution relative to a dredging machine invented by Dr. J. R. Putnam.'

'An act for the relief of the Asylums of New Orleans.'

'An act for the relief of G. P. Briant, sheriff of the parish of St. Martin.'

'An act to amend the act entitled 'An act relative to roads and levees, in the parish of Plaquemines.'

'An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Medical Society of New Orleans, and for other purposes.'

'An act to amend an act to organize the Supreme Court of the State of Louisiana.'

'An act making an appropriation to aid in the construction of a road leading from Bayou Grosse Tête, in the parish of Iberville, to the Mississippi river.'

'An act relative to certain banks and vessels trading up and down the Mississippi river, within the limits of this state,' and

'An act to amend the civil code of Louisiana, and to fix the amount of recovery in cases of avulsion.'

The resolution relating to the number of representatives in Congress, in relation to sixteenth sections of government lands reserved for public schools,' underwent its second reading and was amended.

The rules were dispensed with, it underwent its third reading and passed as amended, and the house was informed thereof.

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