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Was read first time, rule waived, read second time by its title and placed among the orders of the day for to-morrow.

House resolution relative to publishing the fees of the several officers of this State,

Was read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill to be entitled An act to provide for furnishing artificial limbs to maimed soldiers,

Was read a second time and referred to the Committee on Taxation and Revenue.

Bill to be entitled An act relative to the selling of spirituous liquors in this State, and specifying the tax to be collected from bar-keepers, and for other purposes,

Was read first time, rule waived, read second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Taxation and Revenue.

A bill to be entitled An act to prevent the citizens of West Florida from hunting and killing deer in the months of June, July, and August,

Was read first time, and placed among the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A bill to be entitled An act to annul the County Criminal Court of Monroe county,

Was read first time, rule waived, read second time by its title and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A bill to be entitled An act changing and defining the boundary of Dade county,

Was read first time and placed among the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A bill to be entitled An act authorizing the clearing out of the Withlacoochee River,

Was read first time and placed among the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A bill to be entitled An act to provide for improving the River and Bay of Apalachicola,

Was read first time, rule waived, read second time by its title and referred to a special committee, consisting of Messrs. Evans, Kenan, White, Hendry and Finegan.

A bill to be entitled An act to untrammel capital and to repeal all laws on usury,

Was read first time, rule waived, read second time by its title and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading on to-morrow.

A bill to be entitled An act in relation to escheated and abandoned lands, and to raise a revenue for the State,

Was read first time, rule waived, read second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

On motion, a committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Brevard, Cottrel and White, were appointed to notify the House that the

Senate accepted their invitation to seats in the Hall, to listen to addresses by Senators Warvin and Call.

Mr. Cottrel gave notice that at a future day he would ask leave to introduce a bill on the subject of revising or codifying the statutes of the State and the publication of the same; also,

A bill on the subject of forcible entry and detainer.

On motion, the Senate adjourned till to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

FRIDAY, November 23, 1866.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The Lieutenant-Governor presiding.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Mr. Steele gave notice that at a future day he would introduce a bill to be entitled An act to relieve the stockholders of the Bank of St. Johns;

A bill to be entitled An act authorizing the City Council of the city of Jacksonville to issue bonds for a purpose named therein; also,

A bill to be entitled An act to amend an act entitled an act authorizing the County Commissioners of Duval county to issue bonds for a purpose named therein.

Mr. Steele, pursuant to previous notice, asked leave to introduce the following named bill, to wit:

A bill to be entitled An act to protect the New York and Indian River Preserving Company;

Which was received and placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Whitehurst gave notice that at some future day he would introduce a bill to be entitled An act to prevent the sale of poisons, &c., and the more effectual protection of the sanitary interests of the State.

The rule was waived to allow Mr. Bird, without previous notice, to introduce the following bill:

A bill to be entitled An act to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the incorporation of towns and cities in this State, approved January 16th, 1866.

Which was received and the bill placed among the orders of the day.

The rule being waived, Mr. Woodruff introduced the following bill, entitled an act to authorize the Judge of Probate of Orange County to order an election in said county for the purpose of selecting and permanently locating the county site of said county.

Which was received and the bill placed among the orders of the day.

The rules were waived to allow Mr. Finegan to introduce the following bill:

A bill to be entitled An act to amend an act providing for the incorporation of the Mexican Gulf Steamship and Indian Trading and Navigation Companies in Florida, approved 15th February, 1859.

Which was received and the bill placed among the orders of the day.

Pursuant to previous notice, Mr. Poe introduced the following bill:

A bill to be entitled An act to prevent citizens of other States from hunting in the county of Washington.

Which was received and placed among the orders of the day.

Pursuant to previous notice, Mr. Kenan introduced a bill to be entitled An act fixing a punishment for horse stealing.

Which was received and the bill placed among the orders of the day.

Pursuant to previous notice, Mr. White introduced a bill to be entitled An act to authorize the County Commissioners of Jackson county to issue bonds for the purpose of raising money to build a Court-house in said county.

Which was received and the bill placed among the orders of the day.

Pursuant to previous notice, Mr. Pearce introduced the following bill, entitled An act to establish and organize a County Court for all county purposes.

Which was received and the bill placed among the orders of the day.

Pursuant to previous notice, Mr. Ross introduced the following bill, entitled an act relative to divorces.

Which was received and the bill placed among the orders of the day.

Pursuant to previous notice, Mr. Baker introduced the following bill, entitled An act to authorize the County Commissioners of Hamilton County to issue bonds for the purposes therein mentioned.

Which was received and the bill placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Cottrell gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce a bill providing for the appointment of a Commissioner to procure laborers for this State; also,

A bill authorizing the enforcement specifically of contracts for labor entered into under certain circumstances.

The Committee on Taxation made the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the bill to be entitled an act to provide for furnishing artificial limbs to maimed soldiers,

#### REPORT:

That they have had the same under consideration and respectfully recommend its passage.

The same committee to whom was referred the bill to be entitled an act relative to the selling of spirituous liquors in this State, and specifying the tax to be collected from Bar Keepers and for other purposes, have had the same under consideration and respectfully recommend that it do not pass.

JOSEPH FINEGAN, Chairman.

Which was received and the bills accompanying placed among the orders of the day.

The Committee on Public Lands made the following report:

The Committee on Public Lands, to whom was referred a bill entitled an act in relation to Escheated and Abandoned Lands, and to raise a Revenue for the State, have had the same under consideration, and instruct me to

#### REPORT:

That they conceive the bill to be one of great importance to the interests of the State, and being free from any objections, technical or real, they commend it to the careful consideration of the Senate, and respectfully recommend its passage.

HOLMES STEELE, Chairman.

Which was received and the accompanying bill placed among the orders of the day.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills made the following report:

The Committee on Engrossed Bills report as correctly engrossed the following bills:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act approved January 12th, 1866, entitled an act to amend the several acts regulating pilotage on the St. Johns bar and river, and for other purposes; also,

A bill to be entitled an act to establish a State Medical Board; also,

A bill to be entitled an act to untrammel capital and to repeal all laws on usury.

J. H. ROPER, Chairman.

Which was received and the bills accompanying placed among the orders of the day.

The following communication from the House was received and read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
November 22, 1866. }

Hon. W. W. J. KELLY,

President of the Senate:

SIR:—The House of Representatives has this day advised and consented to the following nominations made by his Excellency, D. S. Walker, Governor:

Auctioneers for Monroe County—Richard W. Kemp and Daniel Davis.

For Alachua County—James B. Brown.

Very Respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Also the following:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
November 22, 1866.

Hon. W. W. J. KELLY,

President of the Senate.

SIR:—The House of Representatives has this day passed the following bill, viz:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the County Commissioners of Orange County to issue bonds for the purpose therein mentioned.

Very Respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Which was read and the accompanying bill placed among the orders of the day.

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Bill to be entitled an act to untrammel capital and to repeal all laws on usury.

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Bird, Cottrell, Crawford, Evans, Haynes, Hendry, Jordan, Morrison, Pearce, Poe, Roper, Steele and Woodruff—14.

Nays—Messrs. Brevard, Finegan, Gorrie, Kenan, McLellan, Owens, Richard, Ross, Rosseau, Turner, White and Whitehurst—12.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

And ordered to be certified to the House.

Bill to be entitled an act to establish a State Medical Board,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Brevard, Cottrell, Crawford, Evans, Finegan, Jordan, McLellan, Poe, Roper, Steele and Whitehurst—11.

Nays—Messrs. Baker, Haynes, Hendry, Kenan, Morrison, Owens, Pearce, Richard, Ross, Rosseau, Turner, White and Woodruff—13.

So the bill did not pass.

On motion, Mr. Gorrie was excused from voting on said bill.

Bill to be entitled an act to amend an act approved January 12th 1866, entitled an act to amend the several acts regulating pilotage on the St. John's bar and river, and for other purpose.

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Bird, Brevard, Cottrell, Crawford, Evans, Finegan, Gorrie, Haynes, Hendry, Jordan, Kenan, McLellan,

Morrison, Owens, Pearce, Poe, Richard, Roper, Ross, Rosseau, Steele, Turner, White, Whitehurst and Woodruff—26.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House.

Bill to be entitled an act to provide for purchasing artificial limbs for maimed soldiers.

Was read the second time and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading on to-morrow.

Bill to be entitled an act relative to the selling of spirituous liquors in this State, and specifying the tax to be collected from bar-keepers, and for other purposes,

Was read the second time, and on motion, laid upon the table.

Bill to be entitled an act in relation to escheated and abandoned lands, and to raise a revenue for the State,

Was read the second time, and on motion of Mr. Brevard, ninety copies of the bill were ordered to be printed.

House bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Fernandina and Sea Beach Railway Company.

Was read the third time, with Senate amendments, and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Bird, Brevard, Cottrell, Crawford, Evans, Finegan, Haynes, Hendry, Jordan, Kenan, McLellan, Morrison, Owens, Pearce, Poe, Richard, Roper, Ross, Rosseau, Steele, Turner, White, Whitehurst and Woodruff—25.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed as amended, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House.

On motion the rules were waived, and Mr. Roper from the Committee on Engrossed bills made the following

#### REPORT:

The Committee on Engrossed bills reports as correctly engrossed,

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the city of Fernandina.

J. H. ROPER, Ch'n.

Which was received.

Bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the city of Fernandina,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Bird, Brevard, Cottrell, Crawford, Evans, Finegan, Gorrie, Haynes, Hendry, Jordan, Kenan, McLellan, Morrison, Owens, Pearce, Poe, Richard, Roper, Rosseau, Steele, Turner, White, Whitehurst and Woodruff—25.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House.

Bill to be entitled an act to build a State prison or Penitentiary for the State of Florida, came up on its second reading, and on motion was referred to a select Committee consisting of Messrs. Pearce, Cottrell, Kenan, Ross, White, Whitehurst and Finegan.

On motion, the rules were waived to allow Mr. Whitehurst to introduce the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the State Superintendent be requested to report to the Senate whether he has received any reports from the State Seminaries, and if so, to state any facts embraced therein which may be of general interest.

Which was read and adopted.

Bill to be entitled an act to prevent the citizens of West Florida from hunting and killing deer in the months of June, July and August.

Was read the second time, and on motion of Mr. Brevard, laid upon the table.

Bill to be entitled an act to authorize the clearing out of the Withlacoochee river,

Was read the second time, and on motion of Mr. Gorrie, was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Cottrell moved to refer the bill to the Committee on Judiciary.

Which was agreed to.

The following communication from the House was received and read :

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
Nov. 23, 1866. }

Hon. W. W. J. KELLEY,

President of the Senate :

SIR:—The House of Representatives having granted leave of absence to the Hon. Jos. John Williams, Speaker, until Monday next on account of sickness, has this day elected the Hon. F. C. Barrett, of Alachua, Speaker *pro tem*.

Very Respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Bill to be entitled an act changing and defining the boundaries of Dade county,

Was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading on to-morrow.

Bill to be entitled an act to protect the New York and Indian River Preserving company,

Was read the first time, rule waived, read second time by its title, and on motion, referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Bill to be entitled an act to provide for a further stay of executions in certain cases,

Was read the first time, and placed among the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bill to be entitled an act fixing the punishment for horse stealing,

Was read the first time, rule waived, read the second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Bill to be entitled an act to prevent citizens of other States from hunting in the county of Washington.

Was read the first time, and placed among the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bill to be entitled an act to authorize the County Commissioners of Jackson county, to issue bonds for the purpose of raising money to build a Court House in said county,

Was read the first time and placed among the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the incorporation of towns and cities in this State,

Was read the first time and placed among the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bill to be entitled an act to authorize the county Commissioners of Hamilton county to issue bonds for the purposes therein mentioned,

Was read the first time and placed among the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bill to be entitled an act to amend an act providing for the incorporation of the Mexican Gulf Steamship and Indian trading and Navigation Companies in Florida, approved 15th February, 1859.

Was read the first time, rule waived, read second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Bill to be entitled an act to establish and organize a County Court for all county purposes,

Was read the first time and placed among the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bill to be entitled an act relative to divorces,

Was read the first time and placed among the orders of the day for to-morrow.

House bill to be entitled an act to authorize the County Commissioners of Orange County to issue bonds for the purpose therein mentioned,

Was read the first time and placed among the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Judge of Probate of Orange County to order an election in said County for the purpose of selecting and permanently locating the county site of said county,

Was read the first time and placed among the orders of the day for to-morrow.

The following communication from the House was received and read :

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
November 22, 1866. }

Hon. W. W. J. KELLEY,  
President of the Senate :

SIR :—The House of Representatives has this day passed the following bill, viz :

A bill to be entitled an act relative to the officers of Polk County.  
Very Respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

House bill to be entitled an act relative to the county officers of Polk County,

Was read the first time, rule waived, read the second time by its title, and placed among the orders of the day for to-morrow.

On motion, the Senate went into executive session upon the following communication from his Excellency the Governor :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,  
Nov. —, 1866. }

Gentlemen of the General Assembly :

I respectfully make the following nominations for Auctioneers :

For the County of Duval—Wm. Baya, Wm. A. McLean, L. Warrock, and A. W. DaCosta.

For the County of Washington—A. M. Skipper.

For the County of Madison—S. H. Bunker.

Please certify the action of the Senate to the House of Representatives.

Respectfully, your obedient servant.

DAVID S. WALKER,  
Governor.

And the nominations therein made were advised and consented to, and ordered to be so certified to the House.

The injunction of secrecy was removed, and the Senate resumed its session.

On motion of Mr. Finegan, Mr. Baker of Hamilton was excused from attendance on the Senate till Tuesday.

On motion of Mr. White, the Doorkeeper was given leave of absence till Tuesday morning next.

On motion, the Senate took a recess till fifteen minutes to 3 o'clock P. M.

FIFTEEN MINUTES TO THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Senate resumed its session, and proceeded in a body to the House of Representatives to listen to speeches from the Hon. Senators Marvin and Call.

The Senate, after returning to its chamber, on motion adjourned till to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock, A. M.

SATURDAY, November 24, 1866.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The Lieutenant-Governor in the Chair.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

On motion of Mr. Finegan, the Senator from the 18th District was excused from further attendance in the Senate until Tuesday next.

Mr. Ross moved to reconsider the vote taken on yesterday on a bill to be entitled An act to establish a State Medical Board.

Which was agreed to, and the bill was placed back on its second reading.

Mr. Ross gave notice that at a future day he would introduce a bill to authorize the Judges of Probate and County Commissioners of Columbia, Suwanee, Baker and Bradford Counties to sue the railroad stock subscribed by Columbia County.

Mr. Steele gave notice that he would at a future day introduce the following named bills, to wit :

A bill to be entitled An act to repeal an act entitled an act in relation to quarantine for the town of Jacksonville, approved January 13th, 1859; also,

A bill to be entitled An act to amend certain laws mentioned therein concerning Executors, Administrators and Judges of Probate.

Mr. Steele, pursuant to previous notice, asked leave to introduce the following named bill, to wit :

A bill to be entitled An act to amend an act, approved January 11th, 1866, entitled An act to authorize the County Commissioners of Duval County to issue bonds for a purpose named therein.

Which was received and ordered to be placed among the orders of the day.

The following communication was received from the Superintendent of Seminaries :

REGISTER'S OFFICE,  
Tallahassee, Fla., Nov. 24, 1866. }

Hon. W. W. J. KELLY,  
Lieutenant-Governor and

President of the Senate :

SIR : In compliance with the resolution adopted by the Senate yesterday, calling for information respecting the State Seminaries, I have the honor to state that I have received reports respecting the condition of both institutions.