

- Assembly bill No. 89 :
An act to Legalize the Town Government of Tampa, Florida.
- Assembly Bill No. 61 :
An act to protect the County Treasury of the respective counties of the State of Florida.
- Assembly bill No. 71 :
An act to create and organize a Bureau of Immigration.
- Assembly bill No. 30 :
An act to change the Boundary Line between the counties of Levy and Marion.
- Assembly bill No. 72 :
An act to incorporate the St. Augustine University.
- Senate bill No. 15 :
An act authorizing George M. Whetstone to erect a Dam for milling purposes, and a Toll Bridge across the Santa Fe river.
- Senate bill No. 25 :
An act requiring Timber and Lumber Inspectors to give bond.
- Senate bill No. 8 :
To be entitled an act for the relief of William Hope and David Hope,
Was, on motion of Mr. McKinnon, passed over informally.
On motion of Mr. McCaskill, the Senate went into Executive Session.
The doors being opened, Mr. Walls moved to adjourn until tomorrow, 10 o'clock ;
Which was agreed to, and the Senate adjourned.

REMOVALS.

- Henry Hutchinson, from office of Sheriff, Franklin county.
Charles R. King, from office of State Attorney for Third Judicial District.
M. L. Stebbins, from office of Clerk, Suwannee county.

CONFIRMATIONS.

- E. J. Vann, to be State Attorney Third District.
D. L. Heddick, to be Sheriff, Hernando county.
W. B. Center, to be County Judge, Hernando county.
Robert A. Reed, to be Clerk Circuit Court, Suwannee county.
Edward J. Raney, to be Sheriff, Franklin county.
John E. Grady, to be Assessor, Franklin county.
William A. C. Benbow, to be Sheriff, Santa Rosa county.
Robert R. Shepard, to be Clerk, Santa Rosa county.
George W. Miller, to be Assessor, Santa Rosa county.
Fred A. Axleson, M. J. Fauria and Samuel Rushing to be Commissioners of Pilotage for the port of Pensacola.

THURSDAY, February 8, 1877.,

- The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.
The President *pro tem.* in the chair.
The roll was called, and the following Senators answered to their names :
Messrs. Barnes, Brantley, Cottrell, Durkee, Hendry, Hill, Howell, Johnson, Long, Lykes, McCaskill, McGuire, McKinnon, McMeekin, Meacham, Orman, Osgood, Patterson, Richard, Wallace, Walls and Weeks—22.
A quorum present.
Prayer by the Chaplain.
Mr. Meacham moved that the reading of the journal be dispensed with ;
Which was agreed to, and the journal corrected and approved.
Under suspension of the rule, Mr. Durkee introduced Senate bill No. 38 :
To be entitled an act in relation to County Bonds ;
Which was read, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.
Under suspension of the rule, Mr. Barnes introduced the following bill :
Senate bill No. 39 :
To be entitled an act to amend the fourth and sixteenth sections of an act entitled an act to provide for the incorporation of Cities and Towns and to establish a uniform system of Municipal Government in this State, approved February 4, 1869 ;
Which was read, and referred to the Committee on Corporations, and one hundred copies ordered to be printed.
Mr. Meacham moved to take from the table the resolution to adjourn on the 24th.
Mr. McCaskill moved to indefinitely postpone the motion to take from the table ;
Upon which the yeas and nays were called for by Messrs. Walls, Meacham and Osgood.
The vote was :
Yeas—Messrs. Barnes, Brantley, Cottrell, Hendry, Johnson, Lykes, McCaskill, McGuire, McKinnon, McMeekin, Orman, Patterson, Richard, Walker and Weeks—15.
Nays—Messrs. Hill, Howell, Long, Meacham, Osgood, Wallace and Walls—7.
So the motion to take from the table was indefinitely postponed.
The following message was received from the Assembly :

ASSEMBLY HALL,
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., February 8, 1877. }

HON. NOBLE A. HULL,
President of the Senate :

SIR:—I am directed by the Assembly to inform the Senate that the Assembly has adopted
Assembly Concurrent Resolution:
Relative to a Mail Route from Volusia to Leesburg; and passed

Assembly bill No. 103:
To be entitled an act to protect the interest of Farmers, Planters and others.
And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk of the Assembly.

Which was received, and the accompanying bill and resolution placed among the orders of the day.
Also the following:

ASSEMBLY HALL,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., February 7, 1877. }

HON. NOBLE A. HULL,
President of the Senate :

SIR: I am directed by the Assembly to inform the Senate that the Assembly has passed
Assembly bill No. 64:
To be entitled an act for the collection of the back Taxes of Suwannee County, and for other purposes; also

Assembly bill No. 99:
To be entitled an act to incorporate the Gainesville Hotel Company,
And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk of the Assembly.

Which was read, and the accompanying bills placed among the orders of the day.
Also the following:

ASSEMBLY HALL,
TALLAHASSEE, February 7, 1877. }

HON. NOBLE A. HULL,
President of the Senate :

SIR—I am directed by the Assembly to inform the Senate that the Assembly has passed

Assembly bill No. 63:
To be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act providing for setting apart a Homestead and Personal Property, to be exempt from forced sale under process of law; also

Assembly bill No. 96:
To be entitled an act to change the line between the Counties of Taylor and Lafayette,
And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk of the Assembly.

Which was read, and the accompanying bills placed among the orders of the day.
The following message was received from the Assembly:

ASSEMBLY HALL,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., February 8, 1877. }

HON. NOBLE A. HULL,
President of the Senate :

SIR: I am directed by the Assembly to inform the Senate that the Assembly has adopted Assembly Concurrent Resolution relative to the appointment of a Joint Committee to take into consideration the time of adjournment of the Legislature *sine die*, to whom all resolutions relative to adjournment shall be referred, and respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk of the Assembly

Which was read.
Mr. McCaskill moved that the resolution be adopted;
Upon which the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Walls.

The vote was:
Yeas—Messrs. Barnes, Brantley, Cottrell, Hendry, Hill, Johnson, Lykes, McCaskill, McGuire, McKinnon, McMeekin, Osgood, Patterson, Richard, Walker and Weeks—16.

Nays—Messrs. Meacham, Wallace and Walls—3.
So the resolution was adopted, and Messrs. McCaskill and Durkee appointed said committee.

The Joint Committee on Enrollment made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., February 7, 1877. }
HON. J. L. F. COTTRELL,

President pro tem. of the Senate :

SIR: The Joint Committee on Enrollment has presented to the Governor for his consideration Senate bill No. 20, to be entitled an act in relation to Misdemeanors.

Respectfully,

A. D. MCKINNON.

Which was received and read.

The Committee on Judiciary made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., February 8, 1877. }
HON. NOBLE A. HULL,
President of the Senate :

SIR: Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 30, report that they have examined the same, and recommend that it do pass, with the accompanying amendments.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. F. COTTRELL, Ch'n.

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

Senate bill No. 8:

To be entitled an act for the Relief of William Hope and David Hope,

Was taken up on its second reading, and, on motion of Mr. McCaskill, was indefinitely postponed.

The following message was received from the Assembly:

ASSEMBLY HALL,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., February 7, 1877. }
HON. NOBLE A. HULL,
President of the Senate :

SIR: I am directed by the Assembly to inform the Senate that the Assembly has passed

Senate bill No. 17:

To be entitled an act to keep in good repair the public Roads and Highways in this State, with amendments, and respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk of the Assembly.

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

On motion of Mr. McCaskill,

Senate bill No. 17:

To be entitled an act to keep in good repair the public Roads and Highways in this State,

Was taken up and read.

Mr. McCaskill moved that the rule be suspended and the bill be placed upon its second reading;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. McKinnon moved the adoption of the first amendment reported by the Assembly.

Mr. Walls moved the indefinite postponement of the amendment;

Which was not agreed to.

On the adoption of the first amendment, the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. McCaskill.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Barnes, Brantley, Cottrell, Durkee, Hendry, Johnson, Long, Lykes, McCaskill, McGuire, McKinnon, McMeekin, Orman, Patterson, Richard, Walker and Weeks—17.

Nays—Messrs. Howell, Meacham, Osgood and Wallace—4.

So the amendment was adopted.

Mr. Meacham moved the following as an amendment to the second amendment:

Strike out "jail, bread and water," in section 2.

Mr. Barnes moved to postpone the further consideration of the bill until 11 o'clock to-morrow;

Which was agreed to.

The following message was received from the Assembly:

ASSEMBLY HALL,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., February 8, 1877. }
HON. NOBLE A. HULL,

President of the Senate :

SIR—I am directed by the Assembly to inform the Senate that the Assembly has refused to adopt Senate Concurrent Resolution relative to Timber and Lumber Agents, and moneys collected by those agents.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk of the Assembly.

Which was read.

The following communication was received and read:

TREASURER'S OFFICE,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., February 7, 1877. }
HON. NOBLE A. HULL,
President of the Senate :

SIR—I see in the published journal of the Senate of 6th

instant that a resolution was adopted by that honorable body questing the "Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund to advise this body as to what is the amount of compensation that was allowed to the several officers of this Board during the year 1876, and what is the amount which they are now authorized to receive from said fund for services in connection therewith." In compliance I have to report that the salaries of said officers were in 1876 and are now as follows, to-wit:

For Salesman.....	\$1,200 per annum.
For Treasurer.....	600 per annum.
For Secretary.....	400 per annum.

Respectfully,

WALTER GWYNN,

Treasurer Board Trustees Internal Improvement Fund.

Mr. McCaskill moved that it be spread upon the journal, and laid upon the table;

Which was agreed to.

The special committee, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 32, made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., February 8, 1877.

HON. NOBLE A. HULL,

President of the Senate:

SIR:—Your special committee on Senate bill No. 32, beg leave to report the accompanying bill as an original bill which they recommend do pass.

H. T. LYKES, Ch'n.

Which was read.

On motion of Mr. McKinnon, the Senate adjourned.

FOUR O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Senate resumed its session.

The President *pro tem.* in the chair.

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

Messrs. Barnes, Cottrell, Durkee, Hendry, Hill, Howell, Johnson, Long, Lykes, McCaskill, McMeekin, Meacham, Orman, Richard, Walker, Wallace, Walls and Weeks—18.

A quorum present.

Wr. Walker moved that the Senate go into Executive session;

Which was agreed to.

The doors being opened, the following message from the Governor was received:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
TALLAHASSEE, February 7, 1877.

TO THE HON. NOBLE A. HULL,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I have this day signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State the following acts, viz:

An act to authorize George M. Whetstone to erect a Dam for milling purposes, and a Toll Bridge across the Santa Fe river; also

An act requiring Timber and Lumber Inspectors to give bond.

Very respectfully,

GEORGE F. DREW, Governor.

Which was read.

Also the following:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
TALLAHASSEE, February 7, 1877.

HON. NOBLE A. HULL,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I have this day signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State the following act, originating in the Senate:

An act relating to the trial of Misdemeanors.

Very respectfully,

GEORGE F. DREW, Governor.

Which was read.

Assembly bill No. 63:

To be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act providing for setting apart a Homestead and Personal Property, to be exempt from forced sale under process of law,

Was read the first time and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Assembly bill No. 64:

To be entitled an act for the collection of the back Taxes of Suwannee county, and for other purposes,

Was read the first time, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Assembly Bill No. 96:

To be entitled an act to change the line between the counties of Taylor and Lafayette,

Was read the first time, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Barnes moved that the rule be suspended, and that the

bill be read the second and third times, and put upon its passage;

Which was agreed to.

Upon the question, Shall the bill pass?

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Barnes, Brantley, Cottrell, Durkee, Hendry, Hill, Johnson, Lykes, McCaskill, McGuire, McKinnon, McMeekin, Meacham, Orman, Richard, Walls and Weeks—17.

Nays—Messrs. Howell, Long and Osgood—3.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Assembly bill No. 99:

To be entitled an act to incorporate the Gainesville Hotel Company,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Assembly bill No. 103:

To be entitled an act to protect the interest of the Farmers, Planters and others,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Senate bill No. 30:

To be entitled an act to create a State Board of Health for the protection of life and health, and to prevent the spread of disease in the State of Florida, and for other purposes.

Mr. Lykes moved that the amendments proposed by the Committee be concurred in;

Which was agreed to.

A message was received from the Governor at the hands of his Private Secretary.

Mr. Meacham offered the following amendment to Senate bill No. 3:

Mr. Meacham moved to amend in section 2, "that at the organization of said board they shall publish all their proceedings in some newspaper published in the city of Tallahassee," to come in at the end of second section;

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Brantley moved the indefinite postponement of the bill.

Mr. Durkee moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until to-morrow;

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Meacham, the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M., to-morrow.

FRIDAY, February 9, 1877.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President *pro tem.* in the Chair.

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

Messrs. Barnes, Brantley, Cottrell, Hendry, Johnson, Long, Lykes, McCaskill, McGuire, McKinnon, McMeekin, Meacham, Orman, Osgood, Patterson, Richard, Walker, Walls and Weeks—19.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Osgood moved that the reading of the journal be dispensed with;

Which was agreed to, and the journal corrected and approved.

The following message was received from the Assembly:

ASSEMBLY HALL,
TALLAHASSEE, February 9, 1877. }

HON. N. A. HULL,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the Assembly to inform the Senate that the Assembly has passed

Senate bill No. 6:

To be entitled an act for the relief of John B. Ross; also,

Senate bill No. 2:

To be entitled an act making appropriations to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for 1875, and defraying the expenses of the State Government for 1876, with amendments, and respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate therein

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk of the Assembly.

Which was read, and Senate bill No. 6 ordered to be enrolled, and Senate bill No. 2, with amendments, placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Walls introduced the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Every true consideration of economy and reform suggests an early adjournment of the present session of the Legislature of Florida; therefore,

Resolved by the Senate, the Assembly concurring, That the presiding officers of the Senate and Assembly be, and hereby are, respectfully directed to adjourn their respective houses on the 21st inst., without day;

Which was read, and, by order of the Senate, referred to the Joint Committee on Adjournment.