

Mr. McKinne moved that the rule be further waived and the bill read a third time and put upon its passage;

Which was agreed to.

The bill was then read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Chandler, Cone, Crill, Delano, Duncan, Hendry, Judge, Lee, McKinne, McKinnon, Niblack, Polhill, Powers, Robinson, Sharpe, Speer, Thompson, Walker, Wallace and Willard—20.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Mr. Thompson moved that the Senate adjourn until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock;

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon the Senate adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, January 26, 1881.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

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

Messrs. Chandler, Cole, Cone, Crill, Delano, Dell, Duncan, Hatcher, Hendry, Judge, Lee, McClellan, McKay, McKinne, McKinnon, Niblack, Polhill, Powers, Robinson, Sharpe, Speer, Wallace and Willard—23.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

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

Which was agreed to.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS, MEMORIALS, &c.

By Mr. Sharpe:

Resolved, That 150 copies of the Special and Joint Committees be printed for the use of the Senate and Assembly;

Which was adopted.

By Mr. Powers:

Senate joint resolution No. —:

Relating to the sale of public lands;
Which was read and placed among the orders of the day.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced:

By Mr. McKinnon:

Senate bill No. 81:

To be entitled an act for the relief of W. J. McDonald, of Holmes county;

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Willard:

Senate bill No. 82:

To be entitled an act to amend an act for the collection of revenue, approved March 7, 1879;

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Finance and Taxation.

By Mr. Sharpe:

Senate bill No. 83:

To be entitled an act to constitute the County Commissioners of the several counties of this State the Board of Public Instruction for said counties;

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Education.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS.

Senate Joint Resolution in relation to the sale of the State lands:

WHEREAS, It is the duty of the Legislative power of the State, by all the legitimate means and measures coming within the scope of its powers, to encourage immigration and the settlement and cultivation of the public lands, thereby promoting a healthy development of the best interests of the State, increasing the revenue, and furthering one of the great aims and purposes contemplated by the act of 1855, commonly known as the Internal Improvement act; therefore,

Resolved by the Senate, the Assembly concurring, That the following recommendations are made to the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund:

First. The terms of entry of lands, such entry not to exceed one hundred and sixty acres, should be so fixed as to allow any person or persons who intend in good faith to enter for agricultural purposes or the cultivation of fruits, any of the lands held by said Trustees, to make payment therefor in three installments; that is to say, one-third of the purchase-money in cash upon entry, one-third in two years, and the remaining third in three years, after the date of entry.

Second. No deed for lands so entered to issue until it shall appear that the taxes which may have accrued and been assessed thereon since entry have been fully paid; and in case there should be a failure in meeting the several payments as they respectively become due, there shall be a forfeiture of all sums paid, the entry canceled and such lands restored to market and subject to entry and sale.

Third. That the terms of entry, as expressed above, be fully made known at the time of the same, and to constitute conditions of the entry;

Was read and referred to the special Committee on Internal Improvements.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Senate bill No. 3,

To be entitled an act to amend the eighteenth section of subchapter 4 of an act to provide for the punishment of crime, and proceedings in criminal cases, approved August 6, 1868, Chapter 1637 of the Laws of the State of Florida, and to repeal an act to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the punishment of crime, and proceedings in criminal cases, approved February 1, 1869, being Chapter 1699 of the Laws of the State of Florida,

Was read.

Mr. Walker moved that the bill be re-referred to the Judiciary Committee;

Which was agreed to, and the bill was ordered to be so re-committed.

Senate bill No. 21,

To be entitled an act for the relief of A. Moseley, Sheriff of Leon county,

Was read.

Mr. McKinne moved that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Claims;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. McKinnon moved that the vote by which the bill was referred be reconsidered;

Which was agreed to.

The bill was read the second time.

Mr. McKay moved that the rule be waived and the bill be read the third time and put upon its passage;

Which was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Chandler, Cole, Dell, Hatcher, Hendry, Judge, Lee, McClellan, McKay, McKinnon, Polhill, Robinson, Sharpe, Thompson, Walker, Wallace, Willard—17.

Nays—Messrs. Cone, Crill, Duncan, McKinne—4.

So the bill was passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

On motion, the Senate went into Executive session at 11 o'clock.

At 11:10 the doors were opened.

Mr. Speer obtained leave and introduced:

Senate bill No. 84,

To be entitled an act to amend Sections 20 and 21, Chapter 71, Laws of Florida;

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Judge moved that the Senate adjourn until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning;

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon the Senate was so adjourned.

CONFIRMATIONS.

Thomas Mitchell to be Sheriff, and Henry S. Reeves to be Clerk of the Circuit Court, for Gadsden county.

George F. Baltzell to be County Judge for Jackson county.

B. F. Blount to be County Judge, Stephen J. Pearce to be Clerk of the Circuit Court, and C. C. Gresham to be Sheriff of Polk county.

THURSDAY, January 27, 1881.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

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

Messrs. Chandler, Cole, Cone, Crill, Delano, Dell, Duncan, Hatcher, Hendry, Judge, McClellan, McKay, McKinne, McKinnon, Niblack, Polhill, Powers, Sharpe, Speer, Thompson, Walker, Willard—22.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

On motion of Mr. McKinnon, Doorkeeper Burns was excused until Monday, on account of the death of his daughter.

On motion of Mr. Chandler, Mr. Lec was excused on account of sickness.