

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Chandler, Cone, Crill, Duncan, Hendry, Jones, Judge, Mallory, McKinnon, Niblack, Powers, Robinson, Speer, Thompson, Walker and Willard—17.

Nays—Messrs. Bryson and McKinne—2.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Assembly bill No. 181:

To be entitled an act for the relief of Albert Fries, of Duval county,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Bryson, Chandler, Cone, Crill, Duncan, Hendry, Jones, Judge, Lee, Mallory, McKinne, McKinnon, Niblack, Powers, Robinson, Sharpe, Speer, Walker and Willard—19.

Nays—Mr. Thompson—1.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Assembly bill No. 234:

To be entitled an act for the relief of Augustus J. Driggers, of Orange county,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Bryson, Chandler, Cone, Crill, Duncan, Hendry, Jones, Judge, Lee, Mallory, McKinne, McKinnon, Niblack, Powers, Robinson, Sharpe, Speer, Thompson and Walker—20.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered to be certified to the Assembly.

Assembly bill No. 11:

To be entitled an act to enable settlers on State lands to obtain titles thereto,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Bryson, Chandler, Cone, Crill, Duncan, Hendry, Jones, Judge, Lee, McKinne, McKinnon, Niblack, Powers, Robinson, Sharpe, Speer, Walker and Willard—19.

Nays—Messrs. Mallory and Thompson—2.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Assembly bill No. 150:

To be entitled an act to incorporate the Monticello and Georgia Railroad Company,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Bryson, Chandler, Cone, Crill, Duncan, Hen-

dry, Jones, Lee, Mallory, McKinne, McKinnon, Niblack, Powers, Robinson, Sharpe, Speer, Thompson, Walker and Willard—19.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

MESSAGES FROM THE ASSEMBLY.

The following message was received from the Assembly:

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, February 23, 1881.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate:

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

Assembly bill No. 251, to be entitled an act to authorize William B. Runyan to build and keep a toll bridge across the Little Bayou in Escambia county,

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 referred to the Committee on Commerce and Navigation.

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

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon the Senate was so adjourned.

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TUESDAY, March 1, 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. Allen, Bryson, Chandler, Cole, Cone, Crill, Delano, Dell, Duncan, Hatcher, Hendry, Jones, Judge, Lee, McClellan, McKay, McKinne, McKinnon, Niblack, Polhill, Powers, Robinson, Speer, Thompson, Walker and Willard—26.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.
On motion of Mr. Polhill the reading of the journal of yesterday was dispensed with.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Senate bill No. 228:

To be entitled an act to amend section 6 of an act to regulate and fix the fees and per diem of certain officers,
Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Cole, Crill, Delano, Dell, Hatcher, Hendry, Judge, McClellan, McKay, Polhill, Robinson, Speer, Thompson, Walker and Willard—16.

Nays—Messrs. Bryson, Duncan, Jones, Lee, McKinne and Powers—6.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Mr. McClellan moved to reconsider the vote just taken and that the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table;

Which was agreed to.

Senate bill No. 264:

To be entitled an act authorizing J. H. Jerock to establish and run a public ferry between Cedar Keys and the Island of Atseena Otie,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Bryson, Chandler, Cole, Cone, Crill, Delano, Dell, Duncan, Hatcher, Hendry, Jones, Judge, Lee, McClellan, McKay, McKinne, Polhill, Powers, Robinson, Speer, Thompson, Walker, Willard—24.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Mr. McClellan moved that the rules be waived and that the Secretary be instructed to immediately certify the passage of the bills just passed to the Assembly;

Which was agreed to, and the Secretary was so instructed.

Senate bill No. 234:

To be entitled an act to allow to registered voters of the several counties of this State to vote for "fence" or "no fence," under certain circumstances,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Cole, Cone, Hatcher, Mallory, McClellan, McKinne, Robinson, Thompson, Walker—10.

Nays—Messrs. Allen, Bryson, Chandler, Delano, Dell, Dun-

can, Hendry, Jones, Judge, McKay, Polhill, Powers, Speer—13.

So the bill was lost.

Under a suspension of the rules the following reports were received:

Mr. Walker of the Committee on Enrolled bills made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, March 1, 1881.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Enrolled Bills beg leave to report that they have deposited with the Governor for his action thereon the following bills originating in the Senate:

Senate bill No. 45, an act authorizing limited partnerships.

Senate bill No. 47, an act to amend Chapter 3147 of the acts of 1879, entitled an act to protect food fishes of this State and to regulate fisheries, approved March 11, 1879.

Senate bill No. 133, an act to incorporate the Pensacola Street Car Company.

Senate bill No. 153, an act for the relief of James S. Turner of Levy county, Florida.

Senate bill No. 154, an act to incorporate the Palatka and Indian River Railway Company and to grant certain lands to the same.

Senate bill No. 168, an act to authorize Peter Thompson of Levy county to take charge of and manage his estate.

Senate bill No. 170, an act fixing the times for holding the Circuit Courts of the Fourth Judicial Circuit.

Senate bill No. 177, an act to prohibit the fishing for shad during certain periods of time therein specified.

Senate bill No. 178, an act to amend the first section of an act approved March 2, 1877, and entitled an act to regulate criminal proceedings before Justices of the Peace.

Very respectfully,

J. C. WALKER,
Chairman.

Which was read and ordered spread upon the journal.

Mr. Speer, Chairman of the the Committee on State Affairs, made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, March 1, 1881.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate:

SIR: Your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred—

Senate bill No. 70, to be entitled an act to amend an act apportioning the State into Congressional Districts, approved February 18th, 1874,

Beg leave to report that they have examined the same and recommend a substitute bill, and recommend the passage of the same.

Very respectfully,
J. G. SPEER, Chairman.

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

Mr. Niblack, Chairman of the Judiciary Committee, made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, March 1, 1881.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate:

SIR: Your Committee on Judiciary have had under consideration—

Assembly bill No. 226, to be entitled an act to prescribe the time and manner of giving notice of contest of election of an Assemblyman,

And recommend that it do pass.

Also,

Assembly bill No. 244, to be entitled an act to define the effect of the Comptroller, Treasurer and other offices of the State of Florida,

And recommend that it do pass.

Also,

Assembly bill No. 66, to be entitled an act to protect stock, and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,
S. L. NIBLACK,
Chairman Judiciary Committee.

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

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, March 1, 1881.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate:

SIR: Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—

Assembly bill No. 147, to be entitled an act to provide for the payment of witnesses in certain cases; also,

Assembly bill No. 35, to be entitled an act to prohibit the

sale of intoxicating liquors within two miles of any campground used for religious worship in this State,

Beg leave to report that they have examined the same, and recommend that they do pass.

Also beg leave to report that they have considered—

Assembly bill No. 259, to be entitled an act to provide for the manner in which jurors and witnesses, serving at Coroners' inquests, shall be paid,

And recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,
S. L. NIBLACK,
Chairman.

Which was read and the bills placed among the orders of the day.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, March 1, 1881.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate.

SIR—Your Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred—

Assembly bill No. 231, to be entitled an act requiring Clerks, Sheriffs, Constables and County Judges of the several counties of this State to keep a record of the costs they charge,

Respectfully beg leave to report that they have considered the same, and recommend that it do pass, with the following amendment, to wit:

In the first line of Section 3 after the word "officer" insert the words "neglects or."

Very respectfully,
S. L. NIBLACK,
Chairman Judiciary Committee per S. R. M.

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

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, March 1, 1881.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—

Assembly bill No. 228, to be entitled an act to prevent the careless use of firearms on the public highways,

Beg leave to report that they have examined the same, and recommend that it do pass, with this amendment:

In line five, Section 1, after the word "unincorporated" insert "town or."

Very respectfully,

S. L. NIBLACK,

Chairman Judiciary Committee per J. H. McKINNE.

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

Mr. Speer, Chairman of the Committee on Claims, made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, March 1, 1881.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Claims to whom was referred—

Assembly bill No. 242, to be entitled an act for the relief of Frank M. Jolly, of Alachua county; also,

Assembly bill No. 221, to be entitled an act for the relief of T. W. Downing, of Alachua county; also,

Assembly bill No. 121, to be entitled an act for the relief of the estate of Boling Baker; also,

Assembly bill No. 239, to be entitled an act to restore Columbus Cohran, convicted of an assault with intent to commit murder, to full rights of citizenship; also,

Assembly bill No. 214, to be entitled an act for the relief of Lot Briant, of Leon county; also,

Senate bill No. 237, to be entitled an act for the relief of H. A. Wyse,

Beg leave to report that they have examined the same, and recommend that they do pass.

They have also examined—

Assembly bill No. 22, to be entitled an act for the relief of F. J. White, of Walton county; also,

Senate bill No. 225, to be entitled an act for the relief of Thomas J. Teate, of Jefferson county, Florida,

And report them back without recommendation.

Very respectfully,

J. G. SPEER, Chairman.

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

The Committee on Engrossed Bills made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, March 1, 1881.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate bill No. 190, to be entitled an act to authorize the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of the State of Florida to protect the interest of the said fund by becoming a bidder and purchaser of the railroads from Lake City to Quincy, and the branch to Monticello, and from Tallahassee to St. Marks, should the same be sold, as provided in the 7th clause of the decree in the case of J. Fred Schutte and others, complainants, vs. the Jacksonville, Pensacola and Mobile Railroad Company, the Florida Central Railroad Company and others, defendants, rendered in the Circuit Court of the United States, Fifth Judicial Circuit, Northern District of Florida, by the Hon. Joseph P. Bradley, Circuit Justice, and filed the 31st of May, 1879, and for other purposes; also,

Senate bill No. 241, to be entitled an act to make appropriations to defray the expenses of the volunteer militia ordered out by the Governor; also,

Senate bill No. 222, to be entitled an act to amend section 1, of chapter 3143, of the laws of Florida, approved March 8, 1879; also,

Senate bill No. 235, to be entitled an act to require County Judges to live or keep their offices within certain limits of their county sites; also,

Senate bill No. 233, to be entitled an act to authorize the County Commissioners of the several counties to pay certain expenses,

Beg leave to report that they have examined the same and find them correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

WM. BRYSON, JR.,
Chairman.

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

Assembly bill No. 231:

To be entitled an act requiring clerks, sheriffs, constables, and County Judges of the several counties of this State, to keep a record of the costs they charge,

Was read the second time.

Upon motion the amendments offered by the Committee were adopted.

Mr. Lee offered to amend as follows:

After County Judges insert and Justices of the Peace,

Which was agreed to and the amendment adopted.

Mr. McKinnon moved that the rules be waived and the bill read a third time and put upon its passage,

Which was agreed to, and the bill was so read.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Chandler, Cole, Cone, Delano, Dell, Duncan, Hatcher, Hendry, Jones, Judge, Lee, Mallory, McClellan, McKay, McKinne, McKinnon, Polhill, Robinson, Speer, and Thompson—21.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed,

Mr. Lee moved that the title be amended, so as to agree with the body of the bill.

Which was agreed to and the title was so amended.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Assembly bill No. 221 :

To be entitled an act for the relief of T. W. Downing, of Alachua county,

Was read the second time.

Upon motion the rules were waived and bill read a third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Chandler, Cole, Cone, Delano, Dell, Duncan, Hatcher, Hendry, Jones, Judge, Lee, Mallory, McClellan, McKay, McKinne, McKinnon, Niblack, Polhill, Powers, Robinson, Speer, Thompson and Willard—24.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Assembly bill No. 239 :

To be entitled an act to restore Columbus Cochran, convicted of an assault with intent commit murder, to full rights of citizenship,

Was read the second time.

Upon motion the rules were waived and the bill read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Cone, Delano, Dell, Duncan, Hatcher, Hendry, Jones, Judge, Mallory, McClellan, McKay, McKinne, McKinnon, Niblack, Polhill, Powers, Robinson, Speer, Thompson and Willard—21.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Assembly bill No. 121 :

To be entitled an act for the relief of the estate of Bolling Baker,

Was read the second time.

Upon motion, the rules were waived and the bill was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Cole, Cone, Delano, Duncan, Hatcher, McClellan, McKay, McKinnon, Niblack, Polhill, Powers, Robinson, Speer, Thompson, Willard—15.

Nays—Messrs. Hendry, Jones, Judge, Mallory, McKinne—5.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Assembly bill No. 214 :

To be entitled an act for the relief of Lot Briant, of Leon county,

Was read the second time.

Upon motion, the rules were waived and the bill read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Chandler, Cole, Cone, Delano, Dell, Duncan, Hatcher, Hendry, Jones, Judge, Lee, McClellan, McKay, McKinne, McKinnon, Polhill, Powers, Robinson, Sharpe, Speer, Thompson, Willard—23.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Assembly bill No. 228 :

To be entitled an act to prevent the careless use of fire-arms on the public highways,

Was read the second time.

Upon motion, the amendments offered by the Committee were adopted, and the bill placed among the orders of the day for a third reading.

Assembly bill No. 22 :

To be entitled an act for the relief of T. J. White, of Walton county,

Was read the second time.

Upon motion, the rules were waived and the bill read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Bryson, Chandler, Cole, Cone, Delano, Dell, Hatcher, Hendry, Jones, Judge, McClellan, McKay, McKinne, McKinnon, Niblack, Polhill, Powers, Speer, Thompson and Willard—21.

Nays—Mr. Robinson—1.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered to be certified to the Assembly.

Senate bill No. 226 :

To be entitled an act for the relief of Thomas J. Teate, of Jefferson county, Florida,

Was read the second time.

Upon motion, the rules were waived and the bill read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Bryson, Chandler, Cole, Cone, Delano, Dell, Duncan, Hatcher, Hendry, Jones, Lee, McClellan, McKay, McKinne, McKinnon, Niblack, Polhill, Powers, Robinson, Thompson and Willard—22.

Nays—Messrs. Mallory and Speer—2.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

The Committee on Claims made the following report :

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, March 1, 1881.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate.

SIR:—Your Committee on Claims to whom was referred House Bill No. 256, Assembly Bill to be entitled an act for restoration to citizenship of Edward Bailey, beg leave to report that they have examined the same, and report it back without recommendation,

Respectfully,

J. G. SPEER.

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

Senate bill No. 240 :

To be entitled an act to make appropriations for the years 1881 and 1882,

Was called up upon its second reading.

The bill was read the second time and amended as follows:

By Mr. McKinnon,

In line 15 Sec. 1 strike out "forty-three thousand nine hundred" and insert in lieu thereof "forty four thousand one hundred"

By Mr. Mallory,

At the end of the first section insert, "for costs and expenses in the matter of *habeas corpus* case of Dennis Eagan, one hundred and fifty-two dollars and twenty nine cents."

Mr. Willard offered to amend as follows :

That Robt. Bullock and W. K. Beard be allowed eighteen hundred and fifty dollars for services in examining the Indian War Claims, and the same is hereby appropriated.

Mr. Mallory moved that this amendment be referred to a committee of three, whose duty it shall be to enquire into the matter and report upon the same to-day.

Which was agreed to.

The President appointed as such Committee Messrs. McKinnon, Delano and McKay.

Upon motion, the further consideration of the bill was postponed until the report of the committee is received.

Senate bill No. 237 :

To be entitled an act for the relief of H. A. Wyse,

Was read the second time.

Mr. Bryson moved that the rules be waived and the bill read a third time and put upon its passage ;

Which was agreed to, and the bill was so read.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Bryson, Chandler, Cone, Delano, Dell, Duncan, Hatcher, Jones, McClellan, McKay, Niblack, Polhill, Powers, Robinson, Thompson and Willard—16.

Nays—Messrs. Allen, Crill, Hendry and McKinne—4.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Upon motion of Mr. Bryson, the rules were waived and the Secretary was instructed to immediately certify the same to the Assembly.

MESSAGES FROM THE ASSEMBLY.

The following message was received from the Assembly :

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, March 1, 1881.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate :

SIR: I am directed by the Assembly to inform the Senate that the Assembly has concurred in—

Senate amendments to Assembly bill No. 28, to be entitled an act to require stevedores to pay a license tax.

Also that it has passed—

Senate bill No. 224, to be entitled an act prohibiting special taxation in certain cases.

Very respectfully,

WM. FOBSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk of the Assembly.

Which was read and the accompanying Senate bill (No. 224) ordered enrolled.

Also the following :

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, March 1, 1881.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate bill No. 174, to be entitled an act to amend the first

section of chapter 3138 of the Laws of Florida, entitled an act prescribing a uniform rate of fare upon railroads.

Very Respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk of the Assembly.

Which was read, and the accompanying bill ordered enrolled Also the following:

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, March 1, 1881.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate bill No. 183, to be entitled an act to protect sailors and to prohibit persons engaged in the business of shipping sailors and the agents of such persons from boarding vessels and remaining thereon in the ports and harbors of this State without the consent of the masters of such vessels.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk of the Assembly.

Which was read and the accompanying bill ordered enrolled. Also the following:

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, February 28, 1881.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate:

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

Assembly bill No. 282, to be entitled an act to authorize William Taylor to establish a ferry across the St. Johns river from Picolata, in St. Johns county, to the Bellamy, on the St. Augustine road leading to Tallahassee Fla,

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 referred to the Committee on Commerce and Navigation.

Also the following:

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, February 28, 1881.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate:

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

Assembly bill No. 281, to be entitled an act to authorize the county Commissioners to grant to applicants the power to erect mill-dams, bridges, and establish ferries upon or across the rivers of their respective counties,

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 was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Also the following:

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, March 1, 1881

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate:

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

Assembly bill No. 275, to be entitled an act to provide Boards of Health in cities and towns in this State containing three hundred or more registered voters; also passed

Assembly bill No. 220, to be entitled an act to regulate the practice of medicine in this State, and for other purposes;

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 No 275 was referred to the Committee on Corporations, and the accompanying bill No. 220 was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Senate bill No. 190:

To be entitled an act to authorize the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of the State of Florida to protect the interest of the said fund by becoming a bidder and purchaser of the railroads from Lake City to Quincy, and the branches to Monticello and from Tallahassee to St. Marks, should the same be sold as provided in the seventh clause of the decree in the case of J. Fred Schutte and others complainants vs. the

Jacksonville, Pensacola and Mobile Railroad Company, the Florida Central Railroad Company and others, defendants, and for other purposes,

Was read a third time.

Mr. Robinson moved that the bill be placed back upon its second reading ;

Which was not agreed to.

The question then was upon the passage of the bill.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Cone, Dell, Duncan, Hatcher, Judge, Mallory, McClellan, McKinne, McKinnon, Niblack, Polhill, Powers, Robinson, Sharpe and Speer—15.

Nays—Messrs. Allen, Bryson, Chandler, Cole, Crill, Delano, Hendry, Jones, Lee, McKay, Thompson, Walker and Willard—13.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

The Committee on Commerce and Navigation made the following report :

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, March 1, 1881.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate :

SIR—Your Committee on Commerce and Navigation, to whom was referred—

Assembly bill 251, to be entitled an act to authorize William B. Runyan to build and keep a toll bridge across the Little Bayou in Escambia county,

Beg leave to report that they have examined the same and recommend that it do pass,

Very respectfully,

JAMES MCKAY,

Chairman Committee on Commerce and Navigation.

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

Mr. Speer, Chairman of the Committee on Claims, made the following report :

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, March 1, 1881.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate :

SIR: Your Committee on Claims, to whom was referred—

The papers in the case of S. T. Overstreet, of Suwannee county, Florida, who in the year 1879, was contestant against Wm. Bryson, Jr., contestee, Senator from the 26th District,

Beg leave to report that they have examined the same, and do recommend the passage of the accompanying bill for the relief of said S. T. Overstreet.

Very respectfully,

J. G. SPEER, Chairman.

Which was read.

Mr. Bryson moved that the rules be waived and the bill be read the first and second times ;

Which was agreed to, and the bill was so read.

Mr. Walker moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed ;

Which was agreed to, and the bill was so postponed.

Assembly bill No. 251 :

To be entitled an act to authorize William B. Runyon to build and keep a toll bridge across the Little Bayou in Escambia county,

Was read the second time.

Mr. McClellan moved that the rules be waived and the bill read a third time and put upon its passage ;

Which was agreed to, and the bill was so read.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Bryson, Chandler, Cole, Cone, Dell, Hatcher, Hendry, Judge, Lee, Mallory, McClellan, Niblack, Robinson, Sharpe, Speer, Thompson, Walker and Willard—19.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Senate bill No. 244 :

To be entitled an act to make appropriation to defray the expenses of the Volunteer Militia ordered out by the Governor,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Chandler, Cole, Cone, Duncan, Hatcher, Hendry, Judge, Lee, Mallory, McClellan, Niblack, Robinson, Sharpe, Speer, Thompson, Walker and Willard—17.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered to be certified to the Assembly.

Assembly bill No. 70 :

To be entitled an act for the relief of John F. Saddler,

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

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Chandler, Cole, Crill, Mallory, McClellan, Niblack, Thompson, Walker—8.

Nays—Messrs. Allen, Cone, Duncan, Hatcher, Hendry, Judge, Lee, Robinson, Sharpe, Speer, Willard—11.

So the bill was lost.

Assembly bill No. 242:

To be entitled an act for the relief of Frank M. Jolly, of Alachua county,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Chandler, Cole, Cone, Duncan, Hatcher, Hendry, Judge, Lee, Mallory, McClellan, Niblack Robinson Speer, Thompson, Walker, Willard—17.

Nays—Mr. Crill—1.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered to be certified to the Assembly.

Assembly bill No. 259:

To be entitled an act to provide for the manner in which jurors and witnesses, serving at corners' inquests, shall be paid,

Was read a third time.

Mr. McClellan moved that the further consideration of the bill be indefinitely postponed.

Which was agreed to, and the bill was so postponed.

Senate bill No. 35:

To be entitled an act to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors within two miles of any camp ground used for religious worship in this State,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Chandler, Cone, Crill, Duncan, Hatcher, Hendry, Judge, Lee, Mallory, McClellan, McKinne, Niblack, Robinson, Sharpe, Speer, Thompson, Walker and Willard—20.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Assembly bill No. 147:

To be entitled an act to provide for the payment of witnesses in certain cases,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Chandler, Cole, Cone, Crill, Duncan, Hatcher, Hendry, Judge, Mallory, McClellan, McKinne, Niblack, Powers, Robinson, Sharpe, Speer, Thompson, Walker and Willard—20.

Nays—Mr. Lee—1.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

At 1:20 the Senate went into Executive session.

At 1:30 the doors were opened.

On motion of Mr. Judge, the Senate adjourned until 3:30 P. M.

HALF-PAST THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Senate resumed its session.

The President in the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum present.

Messrs. Bryson and McKay were excused for the evening.

Mr. Cone was excused.

The following messages from the Assembly were received:

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, February 28, 1881.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate Bill No. 149,

To be entitled an act to authorize William T. Jackson to construct a boom across the Suwannee River.

Also, that it has indefinitely postponed—

Senate Bill No. 157,

To be entitled an act in relation to illegal employment of laborers and servants.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk of the Assembly.

Which was read and the accompanying Senate Bill No. 149 was ordered enrolled,

Also the following:

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, March 1, 1881.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

Speaker of the Assembly:

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

Senate Bill No. 218,

To be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act relating to the Finances of this State.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk of the Assembly.

Which was read and the accompanying bill was ordered enrolled.

Also the following :

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, March 1, 1881.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate:

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

Assembly bill No. 195, to be entitled an act to authorize Pauline C. Keep to establish a ferry across the Apalachicola river at or near Aspalaga, in Gadsden county,

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 referred to the Committee on Commerce and Navigation.

Assembly bill No. 66:

To be entitled an act to protect stock running at large,

Was read the second time, and, upon motion, indefinitely postponed.

Assembly bill No. 226:

To be entitled an act to prescribe the time and manner of giving notice of contest of election of an Assemblyman,

Was read the second time and placed among the orders of the day for a third reading.

Assembly bill No. 244:

To be entitled an act to define the effect of the certificate of the Comptroller, Treasurer and other officers of the State of Florida,

Was read the second time and placed among the orders of the day for a third reading.

The Special Committee appointed to examine the claim of W. K. Beard and R. Bullock, made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, March 1, 1881.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate:

SIR: Your Special Committee, appointed to examine the claim of W. K. Beard and R. Bullock against the State, have examined the same. In 1879 Governor Drew appointed W. K. Beard, R. Bullock and W. C. Brown as Commissioners to examine and settle the Indian war claims. Governor Drew also appointed W. K. Beard a Commissioner to go to Washington to settle claims of the State against the United States;

and to defray the expenses of said Commissioners and Commissioner the Legislature of 1879 appropriated \$2,000.

And we find that the State is due—

Col. Beard for examining the Indian War Claim.....	\$1,350.00
Col. Bullock for examining the Indian War Claim....	500.00
Col. W. K. Beard received of the \$2,000.....	1,160.00
Col. R. Bullock received of the \$2,000.....	219.50
W. C. Brown received of the \$2,000.....	63.00
Wailes received of the \$2,000.....	67.50
Balance due Bullock.....	280.50

Your Committee do not know by what authority Wailes was paid \$67.50.

Col. W. K. Beard states that the \$1,659.00 that he received of the \$2,000.00 that he entered into a written agreement with Governor Drew to pay the same back to the State out of his commissions when said claims are allowed, and asks that the \$1,350.00 be allowed to him to enable him to prosecute the claims of the State against the United States Government.

Very respectfully,

A. D. MCKINNON,
CHAS. DELANO.

Which was read and ordered spread upon the journal.

Substitute for Senate bill No. 70:

To be entitled an act to amend an act apportioning the State into Congressional Districts, approved February 18, 1874,

Was read the second time.

Mr. Thompson moved that the Substitute be adopted;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Thompson moved that the rules be waived and the bill read a third time and put upon its passage;

Which was agreed to and the bill was so read.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Crill, Delano, Dell, Duncan, Hatcher, Hendry, Jones, Judge, McClellan, McKinne, Niblack, Polhill, Powers, Robinson, Sharpe, Speer, Thompson and Willard—18.

Nays—Messrs. Allen, Chandler, Cole. Lee, Mallory, McKinnon and Walker—7.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be immediately certified to the Assembly.

Assembly bill No. 256:

To be entitled an act for restoration to citizenship of Edward Bailey,

Was read the second time.

Mr. Thompson moved to amend by striking out the word "wrongfully" in line 2, section 1, of the bill;

Which was agreed to and the bill as amended was placed among the orders of the day for a third reading.

The Committee on Corporations made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, March 1, 1881.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate:

SIR: The Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred—

Assembly bill No. 275, to be entitled an act to provide for the appointment of Boards of Health in cities and towns in this State containing three hundred or more registered voters,

Have examined the same, and when amended, by substituting "five" for the word "seven" in the sixth line of section 1, then we recommend that the bill do pass.

Very respectfully,

W. N. THOMPSON, Chairman.

Which was read and the accompanying bill was read the second time.

Mr. Thompson moved that the amendment offered by the committee be adopted;

Which was agreed to, and the bill was so amended.

Mr. Thompson moved that the rules be waived and the bill read a third time and put upon its passage;

Which was agreed to and the bill was so read.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Chandler, Cole, Duncan, Hatcher, Hendry, Jones, Lee, Mallory, McClellan, McKinne, McKinnon, Powers, Robinson, Sharpe, Speer, Thompson, Walker and Willard—19.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be immediately certified to the Assembly.

Mr. McKinne moved that the vote by which Assembly bill No. 259, to be entitled an act to provide for the manner in which jurors and witnesses serving at Coroners' inquests shall be paid, was lost be reconsidered;

Which was agreed to and the bill was so reconsidered.

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

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Cole, Crill, Duncan, Hatcher, Hendry, Jones, Judge, McClellan, McKay, McKinnon, Polhill, Walker and Willard—13.

Nays—Messrs. Bryson, Chandler, Dell, Lee, Mallory, McKinne, Niblack, Robinson, Speer, Thompson—10.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

The Senate resumed the consideration of Senate bill No. 240, to be entitled an act to make appropriations for the years 1881 and 1882.

Mr. Willard moved to amend by adding to Section 1, "that two hundred dollars be and is hereby appropriated for the purpose of paying expenses of Florida criminals captured in Georgia and other States, delivered to the Florida authorities previous to the year 1881, and to pay for capturing convicts escaped from the State prison previous to leasing out;"

Which was adopted.

Mr. Jones moved to amend as follows:

In line 17, Section 1, strike out "seven thousand and eighty-five," and insert "eighty thousand four hundred and sixty-one dollars."

Mr. McKinnon withdrew his amendment to line 15 offered this morning.

Mr. McKinnon offered to amend by inserting "to R. Bullock for services on Board of Indian War Claims, two hundred and eighty dollars and fifty cents;"

Which was adopted.

The Section was adopted as amended and the bill ordered engrossed for a third reading.

The following communication was received from the Governor:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,)

TALLAHASSEE, FLA., March 1, 1881. }

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

Lieutenant Governor:

SIR: I have this day signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State the following acts, which originated in the Senate, to-wit:

An act to dissolve municipal corporations under circumstances therein stated, and to provide governments for the same; also,

An act to protect officers in the execution of legal process.

Very respectfully,

W. D. BLOXHAM, Governor.

Which was read and ordered spread upon the journal.

The following message was received from the Assembly:

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, March 1, 1881.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate :

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

Senate bill No. 70, to be entitled an act to re-apportion the Congressional Districts of this State.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk of the Assembly.

Which was read and the accompanying bill ordered enrolled.
Also the following :

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, March 1, 1881.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate :

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

Assembly bill No. 177, to be entitled an act for the relief of W. C. Lanier and others, of Gadsden county,

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 was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Also the following—

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, March 1, 1881.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate :

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

Assembly Bill No. 140 :

To be entitled an act for the relief of William Bowman and others of Gadsden county.

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 referred to the Committee on Claims.

The Committee on Commerce and Navigation made the following report :

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee March 1, 1881.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate :

SIR—Your committee to whom was referred—Assembly Bill No. 282: a bill to be entitled an act to authorize Wm. Taylor Jr., to establish a ferry across the St. Johns River from Picolata in St Johns county to the Bellamy on St. Augustine road leading to Tallahassee, Fla.

Also ;

Assembly bill No. 195 : to be entitled an act to authorize Paulin C. Keep to establish a ferry across the Apalachicola river at or near Aspalaga in Gadsden county ;

Beg leave to report that they have examined the same and recommend they do pass.

JAMES MCKAY,

Chairman Committee on Commerce and Navigation.

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

Assembly Bill 282,

To be entitled an act to authorize William Taylor, Jr., to establish a ferry across the St. Johns River from Picolata in St. Johns county to the Bellamy or St. Augustine road leading to Tallahassee, Fla.,

Was read the second time,

Upon motion the rules were waived and the bill read a third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Chandler, Cole, Delano, Duncan, Hatcher, Hendry, Judge, Lee, Mallory, McClellan, McKay, McKinne, McKinnon, Niblack, Polhill, Powers, Robinson, Speer and Thompson—20.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Senate bill No. 235 :

To be entitled an act to require county judges to live or keep their offices within certain limits of their county sites,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Chandler, Cole, Delano, Hatcher, Hendry, Judge, Mallory, McClellan, McKay, McKinne, McKinnon, Niblack, Powers, Robinson, Speer and Thompson—17.

Nays—Messrs. Duncan and Polhill—2.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be immediately certified to the Assembly.

Senate bill No. 233 :

To be entitled an act to authorize the County Commissioners of the several counties to pay certain expenses,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Duncan, Hatcher, Hendry, Judge, Mallory, McClellan, McKay, McKinne, McKinnon, Polhill, Powers, Robinson, Sharpe, Speer, Thompson—15.

Nays—Messrs. Allen, Cole, Lee—3.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be immediately certified to the Assembly.

Assembly bill No. 228 :

To be entitled an act to prevent the careless use of fire-arms on the public highways,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Chandler, Delano, Dell, Hatcher, Judge, Mallory, McKinne, McKinnon, Niblack, Sharpe, Thompson—11.

Nays—Messrs. Cole, Duncan, Hendry Lee, McKay, Polhill, Powers, Spear, Robinson—9.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Mr. Chandler moved to reconsider the vote just taken ;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Robinson moved that the bill be placed back on its second reading,

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Mallory moved to amend by striking out the word "three" and insert the word "one" in lieu thereof ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Lee offered to amend by inserting the word "wilfully" after the word "shall," in the first Section ;

Which was adopted, and the bill as amended ordered engrossed for a third reading on to-morrow.

Mr. Mallory, of the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, made the following reports :

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., March 1, 1881.

To the Hon. L. W. Bethel and the Hon. J. J. Harris, Lieutenant-Governor and Speaker of the Assembly of Florida, respectively :

GENTLEMEN: The undersigned, members of your Joint Committee on Constitutional Amendments, respectfully beg leave to report that they have considered the amendments to the

Constitution of the State herewith reported, and recommend that the same be adopted by the Legislature in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution relating to amendments to that instrument.

Very respectfully,

S. R. MALLORY,
J. G. SPEER,
SHERMAN CONANT,
R. J. BEVILL,
J. M. BRYAN.

We, the undersigned members of said Committee, dissent from the above.

CHAS. DOUGHERTY,
J. C. WALKER,
C. M. COOPER,
CHAS. F. FILDES.

A joint resolution proposing amendments to the Constitution of the State of Florida.

The people of the State of Florida, represented in Senate and Assembly, do resolve as follows :

Section 18 of Article V. of the Constitution of the State of Florida is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

There shall be in each county of this State a Sheriff, Clerk of the Circuit Court (who shall be *ex-officio* Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners), a Tax Assessor, a Collector of Revenue, a County Treasurer, a County Surveyor, a Superintendent of Common Schools, a Coroner, and five County Commissioners, who shall be elected by the qualified voters of each county. They shall be commissioned by the Governor, and shall hold their offices for two years from the date of their commissions, and until their successors are elected and commissioned, unless sooner removed.

When any person is elected to either of the foregoing offices, and he fails to qualify within thirty days of his election is declared, or in case of a vacancy therein on account of the death, resignation or removal of the person elected thereto, the Governor shall appoint and commission some fit and proper person to fill such vacancy in such office, and the person so appointed shall hold his office until the next general election, and until his successor is elected and commissioned. None of the above named officers shall be filled by election until at the general election to be held in 1884, and then every two years thereafter.

That Section 17 of Article VI. of the Constitution of the State of Florida be, and the same is hereby, amended so as to read as follows :

The Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the

Senate, shall appoint a State Attorney in each Judicial Circuit, whose duties shall be prescribed by law. He shall hold office for four years from the date of his commission, and until his successor shall be appointed and qualified.

Which were read and ordered spread upon the journal.
Also the following:

TALLAHASSEE, March 1, 1881.

To the Hon. L. W. Bethel, Lieutenant-Governor, and the Hon. J. J. Harris, Speaker of the Assembly, of Florida:

GENTLEMEN—Your Joint Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred—

The duty of reporting to the Senate and Assembly respectively such of the proposed amendments to the Constitution, heretofore introduced in said bodies respectively, as to your committee might seem best,

Respectfully beg leave to report that they have considered said amendments, and recommend that those herewith reported be so acted on by the Legislature as to submit the question of their adoption or rejection to the people of the State.

Very respectfully,

S. R. MALLORY,
J. C. WALKER,
J. G. SPEER,
JNO. M. BRYAN,
C. M. COOPER,
CHAS. L. FILDES,
R. J. BEVILL,

Chairman on part of Assembly

[Signed]

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The people of the State of Florida, represented in Senate and Assembly, do resolve as follows:

1. That Section 16 of Article V. of the Constitution of the State of Florida be amended so as to read as follows:

“The Governor of the State of Florida shall be assisted by a Cabinet of officers, consisting of a Comptroller of Accounts, a Treasurer, an Attorney-General, a Secretary of State, who shall also be Superintendent of Public Instruction, and a Commissioner of Lands and Immigration. Such officers shall be appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate, and shall hold their offices during the term of the Governor appointing them, or until their successors are appointed and qualified.”

2. That Sections 1 and 7 of Article VII. of the Constitution of the State of Florida be and the same are hereby abrogated and annulled.

3. That Section 3 of Article XI. of the Constitution of the State of Florida be amended so as to read as follows:

“The Governor shall appoint an Adjutant-General, with the rank of Colonel; also two Major-Generals and six Brigadier-Generals of militia. They shall take rank according to the date of their commissions.”

4. That Section 3 of Article VI. of the Constitution of the State of Florida be amended so as to read as follows:

“There shall be a Supreme Court of the State of Florida, to consist of a Chief Justice and two Associate Justices, who shall hold their offices for eight years and until their successors are appointed and commissioned. They shall be appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate.”

5. That Section 3 of Article VIII. of the Constitution of the State of Florida be and the same is hereby abrogated and annulled.

6. That Section 9 of Article VIII. of the Constitution of the State of Florida be amended so as to read as follows:

“The Secretary of State, Attorney-General and Treasurer shall constitute a body corporate to be known as the Board of Education of Florida. The Secretary of State as Superintendent of Public Instruction shall be President thereof. The duties of the Board of Education shall be designated and prescribed by the Legislature.”

7. That Section 1 of Article XIV. of the Constitution of the State of Florida be amended so as to read as follows:

“Every male person of the age of twenty-one years and upwards, of whatever race, color, nationality or previous condition, who shall at the time of offering to vote be a citizen of the United States, or who shall have declared his intention to become such in conformity to the laws of the United States, and who shall have resided and had his habitation, domicile, home and place of permanent abode in Florida for one year, and in the county for six months next preceding the election at which he shall offer to vote, shall in such county be deemed a qualified elector at all elections under this Constitution; *Provided*, such elector has paid his capitation tax of one dollar for the year next preceding that in which such election is held. Every elector shall, at the time of his registration, take and subscribe the following oath:

“I, ———, do solemnly swear that I will support, protect and defend the Constitution and government of the United States, and the Constitution and government of the State of Florida, against all enemies, foreign or domestic;

that I will bear true faith, loyalty and allegiance to the same. So help me God."

That Section 17 of Article 4 of the Constitution of the State of Florida is amended so as to read as follows:

The Legislature shall not pass special or local laws in any of the following enumerated cases, that is to say: For the punishment of crime or misdemeanor: providing for changing venue of civil and criminal cases; granting divorces; changing the names of persons; vacating roads, town plats, streets, alleys and public squares; for the assessment and collection of taxes for State and county purposes; providing for opening and conducting elections for State and county officers, and designating the the places of voting; providing for the sale of real estate belonging to minors or other persons laboring under legal disabilities.

That Section 18 of Article 4 of the Constitution of the State of Florida be and the same is hereby abrogated and annulled.

JOINT RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION 3 OF ARTICLE 16 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA.

The people of the State of Florida, represented in Senate and Assembly, do resolve as follows:

Section 3 of Article 16 of the Constitution of the State of Florida shall be, and is hereby, amended so as to read as follows:

Section 3. The several Judicial Circuits of the Circuit Courts shall be as follows: The First Judicial Circuit shall be composed of the counties of Escambia, Santa Rosa, Walton, Holmes, Washington and Jackson; the Second Judicial Circuit shall be composed of the counties of Gadsden, Liberty, Calhoun, Franklin, Leon, Wakulla and Jefferson; the third Judicial Circuit shall be composed of the counties of Madison, Taylor, Lafayette, Hamilton, Suwannee and Columbia; the Fourth Judicial Circuit shall be composed of the counties of Nassau, Duval, Baker, Bradford, Clay and St. Johns; the Fifth Judicial Circuit shall be composed of the counties of Putnam, Alachua, Levy, Marion and Sumter; the Sixth Judicial Circuit shall be composed of the counties of Hernando, Hillsborough, Manatee, Polk and Monroe; the Seventh Judicial Circuit shall be composed of the counties of Volusia, Brevard, Orange and Dade; *Provided*, That the Legislature shall at all times have the power to change the boundaries of said Circuits, and to take from one Circuit and place in another any or all of said counties, or any new county that may be formed out of the same.

Which was read and ordered spread upon the journal.

Upon motion the proposed amendments were made the special order of the day for 11 o'clock to-morrow.

Assembly bill No. 195:

To be entitled an act to authorize Pauline C. Keep to establish a ferry across the Apalachicola river at or near Aspalaga, in Gadsden county,

Was read the second.

Mr. McKinne moved to amend as follows:

In Section 3 strike out "county" and insert "counties" in line 8. In line 9 strike out "the General Assembly of the State of Florida," and insert instead "Jackson." In Section 4, line 8, insert "the consent of the owner or occupant thereof, and unless they run upon section lines;"

Which were adopted, and the bill placed among the orders of the day for third reading.

Senate bill No. 222:

To be entitled an act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 3143 of the Laws of Florida, approved March 8, 1879,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Polhill and Walker—3.

Nays—Messrs. Chandler, Cole, Duncan, Hatcher, Hendry, Jones, Judge, Lee, Mallory, McKinne, Robinson, Sharpe, Speer Thompson and Willard—15.

So the bill was lost.

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

Whereupon the Senate was so adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 2, 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. Allen, Bryson, Chandler, Cole, Cone, Dell, Duncan, Hatcher, Hendry, Jones, Judge, Lee, Mallory, McClellan, McClenny, McKay, McKinne, McKinmon, Niblack, Polhill, Powers, Robinson, Sharpe, Speer, Thompson, Walker Wallace and Willard—28.