

A joint resolution authorizing the printing of fifty thousand copies of the Governor's message, have had the same under consideration, and recommend its passage with amendment making it twenty-five thousand instead of fifty-thousand.

Very respectfully,

A. S. MANN,
Chairman.

Which was adopted.

The amendment of the committee was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Greeley, the rule was waived by a two-thirds vote, and the resolution was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Cottrell, Delano, Dell, Duncan, Fortner, Greeley, Hendricks, Lesley, Mallory, Mann, Powers, Roberts, Sharpe, Sheppard and Speer—16.

Nays—Messrs. Bryson, Hatcher, Landrum, Mountien, Polhill, Proctor and Swearingen—7.

So the resolution passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Mr. Polhill's resolution, that the Legislature adjourn *sine die* on the 15th of February, at 12 o'clock, was called up.

Mr. McKinne was called to the chair.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Senate bill No. 60 :

To be entitled an act to incorporate the Florida Ship Canal Company, to locate, construct, own and operate a ship canal and telegraph line across the peninsula of Florida, to connect the Atlantic ocean with the Gulf of Mexico.

Mr. Chandler offered the following amendment :

Section 1, lines 2 and 3, strike out the words "Simon Cameron, of Pennsylvania ;"

Which was adopted.

Mr. Sharpe was called to the chair.

Mr. Dell moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

The motion to indefinitely postpone was withdrawn.

Mr. Bryson offered the following amendment :

Amend Section 2, by adding in 28th line, "provided no branch canal shall be constructed under the act until the main canal shall be constructed and in operation for the distance of twenty miles."

Mr. Speer moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until Monday, at 11 o'clock A. M. ;

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Speer moved to adjourn until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock ;

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Bryson withdrew his amendment.

Mr. Greeley moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until 3 o'clock P. M. to-morrow ;

Which was withdrawn.

Mr. Mann moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until 11 o'clock A. M. to-morrow ;

Which was agreed to.

On motion, the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow.

CONFIRMATIONS.

J. L. Tillis, to be Collector of Revenue for Polk county.
W. H. Johnson, to be Tax Assessor for Polk county

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THURSDAY, February 8, 1883.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called the following Senators answered to their names :

Messrs. Allen, Baker, Bryson, Chandler, Cole, Cottrell, Crill, Delano, Dell, Duncan, Fortner, Greeley, Hatcher, Hendricks, Landrum, Lesley, Mallory, Mann, Mountien, McClellan, McKinne, Polhill, Powers, Proctor, Roberts, Sheppard and Speer

—27.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Polhill, the reading of the journal of yesterday was dispensed.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced by Mr. Speer :

Senate bill No. 191 :

To be entitled an act to prescribe the duties of the Treasurer of this State ;

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

By Mr. Cole :

Senate bill No. 192 :

To be entitled an act in relation to the Monticello and Georgia Railroad Company ;

Which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Bryson, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., February 8, 1883.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,
President of the Senate:

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

Senate bill No. 96, to be entitled an act to change the county line between the counties of Clay and Putnam; also,

Senate bill No. 122, to be entitled an act to provide for the amendment of charters granted by the Legislature or organized under the General Incorporation Acts of the State; also,

Senate bill No. 28, to be entitled an act to authorize the adoption of Lydia Wright by Wm. B. Gaines, of Santa Rosa county, and make her his heir at law; also,

Senate bill No. 149, to be entitled an act to amend Sec. 2, Chap. 3025, Laws of Florida, approved March 2, 1877, being 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 Feb. 4, 1869; also,

Senate bill No. 117, to be entitled an act to incorporate the Grand United Order of the Sons and Daughters of Jacob; also,

Senate bill No. 161, to be entitled an act to incorporate Pine Hill Grange, No. 41, Patrons of Husbandry, in Bradford county, Fla.; also,

Senate bill No. 156, to be entitled an act to provide for the speedy determination of certain issues of law in the several Circuit Courts of the State, being Chapter 3001, Laws of Florida, approved February 17, 1877; also,

Senate bill No. 154, to be entitled an act to authorize writs of attachment to be issued upon affidavits made before certain Clerks of Courts of Record; also,

Senate bill No. 142, to be entitled an act in relation to lands heretofore sold for taxes and purchased by the State; also,

Senate bill No. 110, to be entitled an act to incorporate the Lake de Funiak Park and Hotel Company,

Be leave to report that we have examined the same, and find them to be correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

WM. BRYSON,
Chairman Committee.

Which was read and adopted.

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

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., Feb. 8, 1883.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,
President of the Senate:

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

Assembly bill No. 140, to be entitled an act for the adoption of two children by Raymon H. M. Starling and his wife Samantha Starling; also,

Assembly bill No. 141, to be entitled an act to amend Section 1 of an act entitled an act to authorize State Attorneys to compromise certain claims,

Be leave to report that they have considered the same, and recommend that they do pass.

Very respectfully,

S. R. MALLORY, Chairman.

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Bryson, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., Feb. 8, 1883.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,
President of the Senate:

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

Senate bill No. 5, to be entitled an act to incorporate the Fort Meade, Key Stone and Walk-in-the-Water Railroad Company,

Report that they find the same correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

WM. BRYSON, Chairman.

Which was read and adopted.

The Committee on Judiciary made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, February 8, 1883.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,
President of the Senate:

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

Assembly bill No. 8, to be entitled an act to repeal chapter 3151, Laws of Florida, being an act entitled an act to establish a Bureau of Immigration for the State of Florida and to promote the rapid settlement of the State lands, approved March 7th, 1879,

Beg leave to report that they have considered the same, and report it back without recommendation.

Very respectfully,

S. R. MALLORY,
Chairman of Committee.

Which was read and adopted.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Assembly bill No. 8:

To be entitled an act to repeal chapter 3151, Laws of Florida, being an act entitled an act to establish a Bureau of Immigration for the State of Florida and to promote the rapid settlement of the State lands,

Was laid on the table, subject to be called up at any time.

Assembly bill No. 140:

To be entitled an act for the adoption of two children by Raymon H. M. Starling and his wife, Samantha Starling,

Was read the second time and placed among the orders of the day.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Assembly bill No. 141:

To be entitled an act to amend Section 1, of an act entitled an act to authorize State Attorneys to compromise certain claims,

Was read the first time and placed among the orders of the day.

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

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Feb. 8, 1883.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate:

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

Assembly bill No. 105, to be entitled an act to prohibit persons shipping oranges grown outside of the State of Florida as Florida oranges,

Beg leave to report that they have examined the same and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,

S. R. MALLORY,
Chairman of Committee.

Which was read and adopted.

The bill was read the second time, and, on motion of Mr. Delano, was ordered to lie on the table, subject to be called up.

Senate bill No. 182:

To be entitled an act granting certain powers to administrators of estates of decedents,

Was read the second time and ordered to be engrossed.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Senate bill No. 146:

To be entitled an act to incorporate the Tampa Street Railway Company,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Baker, Chandler, Cole, Cone, Cottrell, Crill, Delano, Dell, Duncan, Fortner, Hatcher, Hendricks, Landrum, Lesley, Mallory, Mann, Mountien, McClellan, McKinne, Polhill, Powers, Proctor, Roberts, Sharpe, Sheppard, Speer and Swearingen—28.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

On motion of Mr. Swearingen, the Secretary was ordered to request from the Assembly the return of Assembly bill No. 107, to be entitled an act for the relief of Jacksonville and the counties of Baker, Bradford, Columbia, Suwannee, Madison, Jefferson, Duval and Leon, for the purpose of correcting an error in the word "and" for "or" in the amendments offered by the committee and adopted.

The bill was returned to the Senate.

Mr. Fortner called up

Senate bill No. 5:

To be entitled an act to incorporate the Fort Meade, Key-stone and Walk-in-the-Water Railroad Company;

Which was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Chandler, Cole, Cone, Cottrell, Crill, Delano, Dell, Duncan, Fortner, Hatcher, Hendricks, Landrum, Lesley, Mann, Mountien, McClellan, McKinne, Polhill, Powers, Proctor, Sharpe, Sheppard, Speer and Swearingen—25.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly at once.

The following communication was received from His Excellency the Governor:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, Tallahassee, Fla., Feb. 7, 1883.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I have this day signed and deposited in the office of

the Secretary of State the following act which originated in the Senate, to-wit:

An act granting aid for the construction of the Thomasville, Tallahassee and Gulf Railroad,

Very respectfully,

W. D. BLOXHAM, Governor.

Which was read.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Senate bill No. 174:

To be entitled an act to fix the pay of members, officers and attaches of the Legislature of 1883,

Was read a third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Cole, Cone, Cottrell, Crill, Delano, Dell, Fortner, Hatcher, Hendricks, McClellan, Powers, Proctor, Sheppard and Speer—14.

Nays—Messrs. Allen, Landrum, Lesley, Mountien, McKinne, Sharpe and Swearingen—7.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Senate bill No. 132:

To be entitled an act to incorporate the Pensacola Gas Company, with power to lay mains and pipes under the streets, alleys and public squares of said city, and under private property, upon making compensation therefor,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Chandler, Cole, Cone, Cottrell, Delano, Fortner, Greeley, Hendricks, Landrum, Lesley, Mallory, Mountien, McClellan, Powers, Sheppard, Speer and Swearingen—18.

Nays—Messrs. Dell, Hatcher and McKinne—3.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

The hour having arrived for the special order of the day, being the consideration of—

Senate bill No. 60:

To be entitled an act to incorporate the Florida Ship Canal Company, to locate, construct, own and operate a ship canal and telegraph line across the peninsula of Florida, to connect the Atlantic Ocean with the Gulf of Mexico.

Mr. Pope offered the following amendment:

Strike out all after Section 5, after the word "assessment,"

in line four, down to and including the word "thereof," in line twelve;

Which was adopted.

Also the following:

In Section 11, after the word "section," in line fourteen, insert as follows:

"And, provided further, That no rights are hereby granted or chartered to impair or interfere in the slightest degree with the power and right of the State at any time to supervise and restrain said company in the regulation of tolls, freights, charges, &c., and in all other ways as will best protect the interests of this State and the people thereof;"

Which was adopted.

Also the following:

In section 2 strike out the word "half," in line 17, and insert in lieu thereof the word "quarter."

Mr. Baker offered the following amendment to Mr. Pope's amendment:

One-eighth mile each way from the centre of the canal;

Which was withdrawn.

Mr. Lesley offered the following amendment to Mr. Pope's amendment:

Add, after the amendment of Mr. Pope, on either side of the centre line of said right of way.

Mr. Crill moved to lay the amendment to the amendment on the table.

The yeas and nays being called for, the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Crill, Delano, Dell, McKinne, Polhill, Sharpe and Swearingen—8.

Nays—Messrs. Allen, Bryson, Chandler, Cone, Cottrell, Duncan, Fortner, Hatcher, Hendricks, Landrum, Lesley, Mallory, Mann, Mountien, McClellan, Pope, Powers, Roberts, Sheppard and Speer.—20.

So the motion did not prevail.

Mr. McKinne moved that the further consideration of the bill, with all the amendments, be postponed until 7:30 o'clock p. m. this day;

Which was not agreed to.

On motion to adopt Mr. Lesley's amendment to Mr. Pope's amendment, the yeas and nays being called for, the vote was:

Messrs. Allen, Cone, Duncan, Fortner, Hendricks, Lesley, Mallory, Mann, Powers and Roberts—10.

Nays—Messrs. Baker, Cole, Cottrell, Crill, Delano, Dell, Hatcher, Landrum, McClellan, McKinne, Polhill, Pope, Sharpe, Sheppard, Speer and Swearingen—16.

So the amendment to the amendment was not adopted.

Mr. Baker offered the following to Mr. Pope's amendment: One-eighth of a mile on each side from the centre of the canal;

The yeas and nays being called for, the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Baker, Cole, Cottrell, Crill, Delano, Dell, Hatcher, McKinne, Polhill, Sheppard, Speer and Swearingen—13.

Nays—Messrs. Bryson, Chandler, Cone, Duncan, Fortner, Hendricks, Lesley, Mallory, Mann, McClellan, Pope, Powers, Roberts and Sharpe—14.

So Mr. Baker's amendment to Mr. Pope's amendment was not adopted.

On motion to adopt Mr. Pope's amendment, the yeas and nays being called for, the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Baker, Chandler, Cole, Cottrell, Crill, Delano, Dell, Fortner, Hatcher, McClellan, Polhill, Pope, Sharpe, Speer and Swearingen—16.

Nays—Messrs. Bryson, Cone, Duncan, Hendricks, Lesley, Mallory, Mann, McKinne, Powers, Roberts and Sheppard—11.

So the amendment was adopted.

Mr. Pope offered the following amendment:

In line 18, of same section, after the word "one" insert the word "half."

Mr. McKinne offered the following amendment to Mr. Pope's amendment:

"One-quarter" instead of "half."

Mr. Dell moved to lay the amendment to the amendment on the table.

The yeas and nays being called for, the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Delano, Dell and Hatcher—4.

Nays—Messrs. Allen, Bryson, Chandler, Cole, Cone, Cottrell, Duncan, Fortner, Hendricks, Landrum, Lesley, Mallory, Mann, McClellan, McKinne, Pope, Powers, Sharpe, Sheppard and Speer—20.

The motion to lay on the table was not agreed to.

On motion, Mr. McKinne's amendment to Mr. Pope's amendment was not adopted.

Mr. Dell moved to adjourn until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning;

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Mann moved to adjourn until 3 o'clock P. M.;

Which was not agreed to.

On motion, the amendment of Mr. Pope was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Bryson, the Secretary was ordered to correct the error in Assembly bill No. 107.

Mr. Crill was excused from serving on the Committee of Lunatic Asylum.

Mr. Roberts was made chairman of said Committee. Mr. Proctor was excused indefinitely on account of sickness. Messrs. Dell, Bryson and McClellan were excused until Monday.

By leave, Mr. Lesley introduced the following bill:

Senate bill No. 193:

To be entitled an act to authorize married women to testify in suits for divorce in certain cases.

On motion of Mr. Lesley, the rules were waived by a two-thirds vote, and the bill was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

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

The yeas and nays being called for, the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Bryson, Chandler, Cole, Cottrell, Crill, Delano, Greeley, Hatcher, McClellan, McKinne, Polhill, Roberts and Speer—14.

Nays—Messrs. Baker, Cone, Dell, Duncan, Hendricks, Landrum, Lesley, Mallory, Mann, Pope, Powers and Swearingen—12.

The Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow.

FRIDAY, February 9, 1883.

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, Baker, Cole, Cone, Cottrell, Crill, Delano, Duncan, Fortner, Greeley, Hatcher, Landrum, Lesley, Mallory, Mann, Mountien, McKinne, Polhill, Pope, Powers, Proctor, Roberts, Sharpe, Sheppard, Speer and Swearingen—26.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

CORRECTIONS TO JOURNAL OF YESTERDAY.

Senate bill No 192: in place of "also," make "By Mr. Cole."

On motion of Mr. Fortner, the reading of yesterday's journal was dispensed with.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

The following petitions were presented by Mr. Greeley: