

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:

*To the Honorable Senate and Assembly of the State of Florida,
Greeting:*

We, the undersigned, citizens of the State of Florida, and residents of the city of Jacksonville, and of the suburbs, respectfully petition that a bill to extend the city limits so as to include said suburbs, receive your official approval to the end that the same may become a law, and your petitioners will ever pray.

Signed by Geo. W. Sadler and 39 others, of Hansontown, LaVilla and Jacksonville.

Also another petition to the same purport signed by P. C. Cooley and 104 others, of Jacksonville, LaVilla and Brooklyn,

Also another petition to the same purport signed by Alonza B. Henry and 39 others, of Hansontown.

Also another petition to the same purport signed by May Green and 21 others, of Jacksonville.

Also another petition to the same purport signed by Nathaniel Harris and 40 others, of LaVilla and Brooklyn.

Also another petition to the same purport signed by David Hall and 40 others, of Hansontown.

Also another petition to the same purport signed by William H. Sammis and 39 others, of Jacksonville, LaVilla and Brooklyn.

Also another petition to the same purport signed by F. B. Bradley and 39 others, of Jacksonville and East Jacksonville.

Also another petition to the same purport signed by H. M. Fritot and 51 others, of Jacksonville.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced:

By Mr. Mountien:

Senate bill No. 194:

To be entitled an act to regulate the sale of medicines and the practice of medicine and surgery in this State;

Which was read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Fortner:

Senate bill No. 195:

To be entitled an act to allow Thomas Parker to procure license to practice law in this State;

Which was read the first time and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Sheppard:

Senate bill No. 196:

To be entitled an act in relation to assessing costs in cases of larceny;

Which was read the first time and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

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

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., Feb. 9, 1883.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred—

Senate bill No. 190, to be entitled an act in relation to garrisonment; also,

Senate bill No. 187, to be entitled an act to protect citizens of this State who may make advances upon promise of payment in labor, and for other purposes; also,

Assembly bill No. 166, to be entitled an act providing for the introduction of copies of certain records, pleadings, deeds and other instruments of writing in evidence, and to declare the effect thereof; also,

Assembly bill No. 43, to be entitled an act to prescribe a mode whereby counties may erect Court-houses and other public buildings,

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

Very respectfully,

S. R. MALLORY,

Chairman of Committee.

Which was read and adopted.

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

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, February 9, 1883.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate bill No. 135, to be entitled an act for the relief of William L. Williams, of Escambia county,

Have examined the same, and refer it back to the Senate without recommendation.

Very respectfully,

J. G. SPEER, Chairman.

Which was read and adopted.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, February 8, 1883.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate bill No. 80, to be entitled an act for the relief of Dr. M. Lively, of Tallahassee, Fla.; also,

Assembly bill No. 118, to be entitled an act for the relief of Louis Hertzog, of Polk county, Fla.; also,

Assembly bill No. 111, to be entitled an act for the relief of Mrs. Hannah Johnston, of Hernando county, Fla.,

Have examined the same and recommend they do pass.

Very respectfully,

J. G. SPEER,
Chairman Committee.

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Crill, Chairman of the Committee on Finance and Taxation, made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, February 9, 1883.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Finance and Taxation to whom was referred—

Senate bill No. 150, to be entitled an act to require Tax Collectors to reside or keep a deputy at the County Site of the several counties in this State,

Recommend that it pass with the following amendments:

In Section 1, line four, strike out "is" and insert "are." In Section 2, line three, after the word "taxes" insert "not less than;" also,

Senate bill No. 191, to be entitled an act to prescribe the duties of the Treasurers of this State,

And recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

E. S. CRILL, Chairman.

Which was read and adopted.

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

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., Feb. 9, 1883.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate bill No. 99:

To be entitled an act to make an appropriation for the arrest of fugitives from justice for the years 1883 and 1884, and for other purposes,

Beg leave to report that they have considered the same and

commend that the accompanying substitute herewith submitted be adopted and passed in lieu thereof.

Very respectfully,

S. R. MALLORY,
Chairman of Committee.

Which was read and adopted.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., February 9, 1883.

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

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

Assembly bill No. 81, to be entitled an act to empower County Surveyors to appoint deputies,

Beg leave to report that they have considered the same, and recommend that it pass, with the amendment herewith submitted.

Very respectfully,

S. R. MALLORY, Chairman.

Which was read and adopted.

By leave, Mr. McKinne introduced the following bill:

Senate bill No. 197:
To be entitled an act to incorporate the St. Andrews Bay and Florida Railroad Company, and to grant certain lands to the same.

On motion of Mr. McKinne, the rule was waived by a two-thirds vote, and the bill was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Mallory called up—

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:

In line 22, of Section 2, after the word "canal" insert as follows: "All freights, fares and other charges of all kinds whatsoever, that may be chargeable against the State for transportation over said canal, shall be at a price not exceeding cost;

Which was adopted.

Also,

Strike out all of Section 2 after the word "use," in line 28.

Mr. Delano offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Strike out all after line 22;

Which was withdrawn.

Mr. Pope withdrew the amendment.

Mr. Greeley moved that the further consideration of Senate bill No. 120, to be entitled an act to extend the limits of the city of Jacksonville, and abolish conflicting municipal corporations, be postponed until at 11 o'clock a. m. Monday;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Swearingen was called to the chair.

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

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, February 9, 1883.

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

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

Senate bill No. 44, to be entitled an act to confer police power upon conductors of passenger trains in this State, to provide punishment for neglect of official duty ; also,

Senate bill No. 32, to be entitled an act to require Justices of the Peace to give bond ; also,

Senate bill No. 112, to be entitled an act to restore to the estates of B. C. Lewis, P. B. Brokaw and Wm. Bailey, certain Indian war certificates unjustly withheld by the State, and for other purposes ; also,

Senate bill No. 160, to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to amend the several acts now in force concerning divorces, approved February 14, 1835 ; also,

Senate bill No. 178, to be entitled an act to authorize D. M. Blitch to establish and operate a public ferry across the Withlacoochee River ; also,

Senate bill No. 184, to be entitled an act to authorize the Clerks of the Circuit Courts of the several counties in this State to appoint deputy clerks or registration officers for the election districts in which such clerks' offices are located ; also,

Senate bill No. 182, to be entitled an act granting certain powers to administrators of estates of decedents.

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

Very respectfully,
MILES MOUNTIEN,
Chairman *pro tem*.

Which was read and adopted.

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

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

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

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

Senate bill No. 127, to be entitled an act to repeal Chapter 3, Laws of Florida, entitled an act in relation to the duties of the Comptroller and Treasurer of this State, approved January 24th, 1857,

Have examined the same and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

J. G. SPEER, Chairman.

Which was read and adopted.

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, was resumed.

Mr. Pope offered the following amendment :

Strike out "one-quarter" in line 31, of section 2, and insert in lieu thereof the words "one-eighth ;"

Which was adopted.

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

Sec. 2. Strike out lines 24 to 35, inclusive, and insert "to locate and construct feeders for supplying water to said canal from any river or lake or natural waters of the State: *Provided*, the company acquire the right of way by gift, grant or purchase from the owners of land used in construction of said feeders ;"

Which was not adopted.

On motion, Mr. Pope's amendment was adopted.

The President resumed the chair.

Mr. Pope offered the following amendment :

Strike out all after the word "canal," in line 31, section 2, down to and including "prescribe," in line 32 ;

Which was adopted.

Also,

Strike out the word "wilfully," in line 1 of section 18.

Mr. Lesley offered the following substitute :

That if the said Ship Canal Company fail to comply with the provisions of this act, as is contemplated by law, then and in that event the provisions of this act be and is hereby declared null and void ;

Which was not adopted.

On motion, Mr. Pope's amendment to strike out the word "wilfully," in line 1 of section 18, was adopted.

Mr. Delano offered the following amendment :

Amend section 18, after the word void : "*Provided, however*, That the said company shall expend a sum in the con-

struction of the said Ship Canal of not less than five million dollars per annum until the completion thereof.

Mr. Chandler moved to lay the amendment upon the table.

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

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Crill, Hatcher, Lesley, Mountien, McKinné, Proctor, Sheppard and Speer—9.

Nays—Messrs. Allen, Chandler, Cole, Cone, Cottrell, Duncan, Fortner, Mallory, Mann, Polhill, Pope, Powers, Roberts, Sharpe and Swearingen—15.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Mallory moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until 4 o'clock P. M.;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Delano called up the memorial to Congress.

The Committee on Education reported the following substitute on Mr. Delano's memorial to Congress:

WHEREAS, There is a large percentage of illiterate persons in the State of Florida, a large portion of whom were but recently released from bondage; and, *whereas*, the stability of republican institutions depends largely upon the intelligence of the people; therefore,

The People of the State of Florida, represented in Senate and Assembly, do resolve as follows: That our Senators and Representatives in Congress be requested to use their efforts to procure a grant from the United States to the State of Florida of all the lands in Florida belonging to the United States, to be applied by the State for educational purposes. But nothing in said grant shall deprive actual settlers from the rights now guaranteed by the homestead acts of Congress,

Which was read the second time.

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

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Baker, Chandler, Cole, Cone, Cottrell, Crill, Delano, Fortner, Greeley, Hatcher, Landrum, Mann, Mountien, Polhill, Pope, Powers, Proctor, Sheppard, Speer and Swearingen—21.

Nay—Mr. Lesley—1.

So the memorial passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Mr. Delano moved that the vote just taken be reconsidered, and that that motion be laid upon the table;

Which was agreed to.

By leave, Mr. Greeley introduced the following bill:
Senate bill No. 197:

To be entitled an act to amend Section 3 of an act to amend 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 4th, 1869, and the acts amendatory thereof, and to further provide for the organizations and government of cities, approved March 4th, 1879.

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

At 1 o'clock P. M. the Senate went into executive session. Five minutes after 1 o'clock P. M. the doors of the Senate were opened.

Mr. Greeley was excused until Monday.

On motion of Mr. Baker, the Senate adjourned until 4 o'clock P. M.

CONFIRMATIONS.

W. H. Garland, to be Assessor of Taxes for Nassau county.
Charles Allgood, to be Sheriff for Wakulla county.

N. R. Walker, to be Clerk of the Circuit Court for Wakulla county.

H. H. Walker, to be Assessor of Taxes for Wakulla county

FOUR O'CLOCK P. M.

The Senate resumed its session.

The President in the chair.

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

Messrs. Allen, Baker, Chandler, Cone, Cottrell, Delano, Duncan, Fortner, Greeley, Hatcher, Hendricks, Landrum, Lesley, Mallory, Mann, McKinne, Polhill, Pope, Proctor, Roberts, Sharpe, Sheppard, Speer and Swearingen—24.

A quorum present.

The Page was excused for to-day.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. McKinne, Chairman of the Committee on Public Lands, made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., Feb. 9, 1883.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Public Lands, to whom was referred—

Senate bill No. 165, to be entitled an act for the relief of per-

sons who through mistake have put improvements on the lands of others,

Report that they have considered the same, and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,
J. H. MCKINNE,
Chairman of Committee.

Which was read and adopted.

The Committee on Commerce and Navigation made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, February 9, 1883.

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

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

Assembly bill No. 129:

To be entitled an act to change the name of Pease Creek to Davidson river,

Beg leave to report that they have examined the same, and recommend that it pass, with the amendments herewith submitted.

Very respectfully,
S. R. MALLORY,
Chairman Committee.

Which was read and adopted.

Amendments to Assembly bill No. 129, amended title to read as follows:

To be entitled an act to change the name of Peace Creek, in the counties of Polk and Manatee, to Peace river.

In line 26, of preamble, strike out the word "Davidson" and insert the word "Peace" in lieu thereof.

In line 7, Sec. 1, strike out the word "Davidson" and insert "Peace" in lieu thereof.

In line 13, Sec. 1, strike out the word "Davidson" and insert the word "Peace" in lieu thereof.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., Feb. 9, 1883.

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

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

Assembly joint memorial relating to public health, requesting the Senators and Representatives to secure the aid of the General Government to prevent the entrance of epidemic diseases,

Beg leave to report that they have considered the same, and recommend that it pass with the following amendment, viz:

In title strike out the word "memorial" and insert the word "resolution," in lieu thereof.

2d. That the following words in the last paragraph of the resolution be stricken out, viz: "that extraordinary services on the part of citizens of this State may be no longer required for the public good without compensation, and."

Very respectfully,
S. R. MALLORY, Chairman.

Which was read and adopted.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., Feb. 9, 1883.

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

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

Assembly bill No. 119, to be entitled an act to prescribe the duties of the Pilot Commissioners relative to ports, harbors, bays and rivers of the State of Florida,

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

Very respectfully,
S. R. MALLORY, Chairman.

Which was read and adopted.

Also the following:

[No copy furnished.]

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., Feb. 9, 1883.

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

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

Assembly joint resolution No. 37, to be entitled a joint resolution in relation to dredging in the harbor of Key West, Fla.,

Beg leave to report that we have considered the same and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,
S. R. MALLORY,
Chairman Committee.

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. McKinne, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., February 9, 1883.
Hon. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate :

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

Senate bill No. 189, to be entitled an act to incorporate the Water Works Company of Pensacola,

Have had the same under consideration, and report the same back to the Assembly without recommendation.

Very respectfully,

J. H. MCKINNE, Chairman.

Which was read and adopted.

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,

Was resumed.

Mr. Baker offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That debates on amendments to ship canal bill be limited to three minutes to each member, and that no member shall speak more than twice on each amendment unless by unanimous consent.

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

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Chandler, Cottrell, Crill, Delano, Duncan, McKinne, Polhill, Speer and Swearingen—10.

Nays—Messrs. Allen, Cole, Cone, Fortner, Hatcher, Hendricks, Landrum, Lesley, Mallory, Mann, Pope, Proctor, Roberts, Sharpe and Sheppard—15.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Baker offered the following amendment:

Strike out Section 14, and all of lines 4 and 5, in Section 15, after the word "acquire;"

Which was not adopted.

Mr. Sharpe offered the following:

Add at the end of section 3:

Provided, That should such Ship Canal, or any of its branches, pass through any county so as to separate any of the inhabitants of said county from their county sites or business outlets, said Ship Canal Company shall construct such bridges or other convenient crossings, as the State Engineer may direct, which will obviate such difficulty, and that such bridge or other crossing shall be free to the public, and no toll shall be charged to them for crossing the same: *And provided further*,

That when said Ship Canal, or any of its branches, shall pass through the lands of any person which has been improved, that the right of way through such improved land shall be three hundred (300) feet from the center of said canal.

Mr. McKinne raised the point of order that the amendment should be divided;

Which was sustained.

Mr. Sharpe offered the following as a substitute for his amendment, at the end of Section 3:

Provided, Nothing in this act shall deprive the County Commissioners of the right to establish public crossings throughout their counties, and the said company shall construct a safe, expeditious and free structure over said crossing;

Which was withdrawn.

Mr. Sharpe offered the following:

After the word "construct," in line 3, Section 9, insert the words "and maintain."

After the word "existing," in line 2, Section 9, insert "or which may hereafter exist, by order of the County Commissioners of the county in which such proposed bridge or structure is to be constructed, nor shall any toll or charge be made by said company over such structure;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Pope offered the following amendment:

In Section 4, after the word "act," in 9th line, insert as follows:

"Except that the proceedings herein provided for may be appealed from at any time within sixty days after the report of the Commissioners is recorded;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Mann offered the following amendment:

SEC. 19. That the said Canal Company shall have the right to regulate the time and manner in which passengers and property shall be transported, and the compensation to be paid therefor.

Mr. Pope raised a point of order that the subject matter of this amendment had been already acted upon;

Which was sustained.

Mr. Duncan offered the following amendment:

In Section 2, line 28, add: *Provided*, No navigable lake or river shall be so lowered as to prevent or hinder its navigation by steam and sail boats;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Swearingen offered the following amendment:

In Section 2, line 9, strike out "St. Marks Bay," and insert "Appalachee Bay;"

Which was adopted.

Mr. Baker offered the following amendment:
Section 13, line 5, strike out "at the earliest possible day" and insert "within ten years;"

Which was adopted.

Mr. Hatcher offered the following amendment:

[No copy furnished.]

Which was withdrawn.

Mr. Delano's amendment was withdrawn.

The bill as amended was ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Delano moved to reconsider the action of the Senate just taken on the bill ordered to be engrossed;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Cottrell offered the following amendment:

SEC. 19. All debts due and contracted by the Company for work and labor done and performed by any person or persons, or for material furnished by any person or persons, in the construction of said canal, shall be a first lien on the said canal, and all the fixtures attached and belonging to the same, in favor of the person or persons performing such work and labor, and furnishing the materials, provided that a true description and amount of such work and labor done and performed, and materials furnished, shall be recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the county in which the work and labor was done and performed, and in which the materials were furnished within six months after the work and labor was done and performed and materials furnished;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Baker offered the following amendment:

SEC. 20. That nothing in this act shall conflict with any vested rights of any chartered or incorporated Canal Company, or prevent a charter being granted to any other company;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Mann offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Amend the amendment as follows:

Provided, That no other charter shall interfere with the rights hereby granted to this company;

Which was adopted.

The amendment, as amended, was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was ordered to be engrossed.

By leave, Mr. Greeley introduced the following bill:

Senate bill No. 199:

To be entitled an act in relation to duties of city and town Assessors and Boards of Aldermen.

On motion of Mr. Greeley, the rule was waived by a two-

thirds vote, and the bill was read the first time by its title and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Greeley presented at the Secretary's desk the following communication, and requested the same to be read; so ordered, and the Secretary read the following:

TALLAHASSEE, FLA., February 9, 1883.

I. M. Auld, Sergeant-at-Arms, Senate Chamber; J. R. Mozley, Sergeant-at-Arms, Assembly Hall:

GENTS—W. M. Davidson, Esq., (our General Manager,) having instructed me to have special train ready on Wednesday, the 14th instant, to carry the members of the Senate and Assembly to Jacksonville and return, for the purpose of visiting the State Fair, you would confer a favor by advising me as soon as convenient at what hour you would like to leave Tallahassee.

Very respectfully yours, etc.,

J. S. McELROY,
M. of T. and M.

Mr. Baker moved that a committee of two Senators be appointed to confer with Mr. McElroy and report the results to the Senate;

Which was agreed to.

Messrs. Baker and Swearingen were appointed such committee.

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

SATURDAY, February 10, 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, Chandler, Cole, Cone, Cottrell, Crill, Delano, Duncan, Fortner, Hatcher, Hendricks, Landrum, Lesley, Mann, Mountien, McKinne, Polhill, Pope, Powers, Proctor, Roberts, Sharpe, Sheppard, Speer and Swearingen—26.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

MESSAGES FROM THE ASSEMBLY.

The following message was received from the Assembly: