

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

Very respectfully,

WM. BRYSON,
Chairman of Committee.

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Sharpe moved that the Senate adjourn until 8 o'clock P. M., this day.

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

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Delano, Duncan, Landrum, Mallory, Mann, Polhill, Pope, Sharpe, Sheppard and Swearingen—11.

Nays—Messrs. Allen, Bryson, Chandler, Cole, Cone, Cottrell, Greeley, Hankins, Lesley, Mountieu, Proctor and Roberts—12.

Which was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Allen, the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

CONFIRMATIONS.

Jasper Latham, to be Harbor Master for the port of Fernandina.

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WEDNESDAY, February 14, 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, Bryson, Chandler, Cone, Cottrell, Crill, Delano, Duncan, Fortner, Greeley, Hankins, Hatcher, Hendricks, Lesley, Mallory, Mountien, McClellan, McKinne, Polhill, Pope, Powers, Proctor, Sharpe, Sheppard and Swearingen—25.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

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

Mr. Crill was called to the chair.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

The hour having arrived for the consideration of the majority and minority reports of the Committee on Railroads on Senate bill No. 20, to be entitled an act to create a commission

to provide for the regulation of freight and passenger tariffs on railroads and steamboats in this State,

Mr. Lesley moved that the consideration of the reports be postponed until 7:30 o'clock, Monday night next.

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

Yeas—Messrs. Cone, Cottrell, Duncan, Fortner, Hendricks, Lesley, Mallory, McClellan, McKinne, Polhill, Pope, Sharpe, Sheppard and Swearingen—14.

Nays—Messrs. Bryson, Chandler, Crill, Delano, Greeley, Hankins, Hatcher, Landrum, Mountien, Proctor and Roberts—11.

The motion to postpone was agreed to.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced :

By Mr. Bryson :

Senate bill No. 219 :

To be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Live Oak and Rowland, Bluff Railroad Company, approved February 25, 1881 ;

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

Also,

Senate bill No. 220 :

To be entitled an act to grant certain lands to the East Florida Railroad Company, approved March 4, 1881 ;

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

By Mr. Fortner :

Senate bill No. 221 :

To be entitled an act for the protection of widows and minors ;

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

Mr. Chandler called up the report of the committee to visit the convict camp, and moved its adoption.

The report was read and adopted.

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

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., Feb. 14, 1883.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate :

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

Assembly bill No. 127, to be entitled an act for the relief of Julius Martin, of Calhoun county, Fla.; also,

Assembly bill No. 164, to be entitled an act for the relief of Pierce Brown, of Jefferson county; also,

Assembly bill No. 232, to be entitled an act for the relief of Tilman Smith, of Escambia county; also,

Assembly bill No. 73, to be entitled an act to regulate appeals from the Circuit to the Supreme Courts in cases pertaining to the Probate Jurisdiction, or to the estate of minors or of deceased persons; also,

Senate bill No. 205, to be entitled an act to allow parties to testify in divorce cases; also,

Senate bill No. 207, to be entitled an act to amend Sections 1, 2 and 3, of Chapter 792, of the Laws of Florida, being an act entitled an act to provide for the maintenance, care and custody of lunatics or insane persons of this State, approved December 27, 1856,

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

Very respectfully,

S. R. MALLORY,
Chairman Committee.

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

• Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., Feb. 14, 1883.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate bill No. 151, to be entitled an act to provide for the laying off and dividing the several counties in this State into districts, and for other purposes,

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

Very respectfully,

S. R. MALLORY,
Chairman Committee.

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Duncan, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., Feb. 14, 1883.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Enrolled Bills beg leave to report they have this day presented to the Governor for his consideration, the following act originating in the Senate:

An act to provide for the relinquishment of the dower of insane married women.

Very respectfully,

H. H. DUNCAN,
Chairman Committee.

Which was read and adopted.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Assembly joint resolution recommending the electors at the next general election to vote for or against a Convention,

Was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Senate bill No. 190:

To be entitled an act in relation to garnishment.

By leave, Mr. Polhill withdrew the bill.

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

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., Feb. 14, 1883.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate:

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

Amendments to Senate bill No. 184, to be entitled an act to authorize 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,

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

Very respectfully,

WM. BRYSON,
Chairman of Committee.

Which was read and adopted.

Assembly bill No. 27:

To be entitled an act to amend Section 6, of an act to establish lost papers in Justice Courts, passed November 21, A. D. 1829.

On motion, the bill was ordered to be recommitted.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Senate bill No. 207:

To be entitled an act to amend Sections 1, 2 and 3, of Chapter 792, Laws of Florida, being an act entitled an act to pro-

vide for the maintenance, care and custody of lunatics or insane persons of this State, approved December 27, 1856,

Was read the second time and ordered to be engrossed.

Senate bill No. 205:

To be entitled an act to allow parties to testify in divorce cases,

Was read the second time and ordered to be engrossed.

Assembly bill No. 73:

To be entitled an act to regulate appeals from the Circuit Court to the Supreme Court in cases pertaining to the Probate jurisdiction or to the estates of minors or of deceased persons,

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

The President resumed the chair.

Senate bill No. 151:

To be entitled an act to provide for laying off and dividing the several counties in this State in districts, and other purposes.

Mr. Chandler moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Mr. Landrum moved to recommit the bill;

Which was agreed to.

Assembly bill No. 127:

To be entitled an act for the relief of Julius Martin, of Calhoun county, Florida,

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

Mr. Lesley called up

Assembly bill No. 111:

To be entitled an act for the relief of Mrs. Hannah Johnson;

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

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Bryson, Chandler, Cole, Cone, Cottrell, Crill, Delano, Duncan, Fortner, Greeley, Hankins, Hatcher, Hendricks, Lesley, Mann, Mountien, Powers, Proctor, Sheppard and Swearingen—21.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Mr. Chandler called up

Senate bill No. 120:

To be entitled an act to extend the limits of the city of Jacksonville and abolish conflicting municipal corporations.

Mr. Sharpe moved that the bill lie over until the return of the Senate from Jacksonville.

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

Yeas—Messrs Allen, Baker, Cottrell, Duncan, Fortner, Hankins, Hatcher, Landrum, Lesley, Mann, Mountien, McKinne, Polhill, Pope, Powers, Sharpe, Sheppard and Swearingen—18.

Nays—Messrs. Bryson, Chandler, Cole, Delano and Proctor

—5.

So the motion was agreed to.
Mr. Mallory moved that the consideration of the bill be set for 4 o'clock P. M., Monday;

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. McKinne, the rule was waived by a two-thirds vote, and

Senate bill No. 207:

To be entitled an act to amend Sections 1, 2 and 3, of Chapter 792, Laws of Florida, being an act entitled an act to provide for the maintenance, care and custody of lunatics or insane persons of this State, approved December 27th, 1856,

Was read and made the special order for 11 o'clock, Monday.

Mr. Crill called up

Senate bill No. 218:

To be entitled an act for the assessment and collection of revenue;

Which was made the special order for 11 o'clock A. M. Friday.

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

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, February 14, 1883.

Hon. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate bill No. 205, to be entitled an act to allow parties to testify in divorce cases,

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

Very respectfully,

WM. BRYSON,
Chairman Committee.

Which was read.

By leave, Mr. Crill introduced the following bill:

Senate bill No. 222:

To be entitled an act creating a board of visitors for the State Insane Asylum;

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

On motion, the Senate went into executive session.

On motion, the doors of the Senate were opened.

Messrs. Mann, Baker, Cole, Dell and Bryson were excused until Monday.

Mr. Mallory offered the following resolution:

Be it resolved, That the members of the Senate visiting Jacksonville to attend the fair be required to return to their posts of duty by Friday morning next, and that this be, and is hereby declared, an order of the Senate.

Mr. Allen offered the following substitute:

Resolved, That it is the sense of the Senate that we convene on Friday morning, 10 o'clock, for the purpose of resuming work.

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Allen, Chandler, Cottrell, Lesley, Mallory, McKinne, Powers, Sharpe, Sheppard and Swearingen—10.

Nays—Messrs. Bryson, Cole, Cone, Crill, Delano, Duncan, Hatcher, Hendricks, Pope and Proctor—10.

There being a tie vote, the President voted aye.

So the substitute was adopted.

Mr. Landrum was excused from voting on the substitute.

Mr. Chandler moved that the Senate adjourn until Friday morning at 10 o'clock.

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

Yea—Mr. Chandler—1.

Nays—Messrs. Allen, Bryson, Cole, Cone, Cottrell, Crill, Delano, Duncan, Hatcher, Hendricks, Landrum, Lesley, Mallory, McKinne, Pope, Powers, Proctor and Sharpe—18.

So the motion was not agreed to.

Mr. Crill was called to the chair.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Senate bill No. 44:

To be entitled an act to confer police power upon conductors of passenger trains in this State, and to provide a punishment for neglect of official duty,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Bryson, Cottrell, Crill, Delano, Duncan, Hatcher, Hendricks, Landrum, Lesley, Mallory, McKinne, Sharpe and Sheppard—13.

Nays—Messrs. Allen, Chandler, Greeley, Pope and Proctor—5.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Mr. Powers was excused from voting on the bill.

Mr. Bryson moved that the Senate adjourn until 10 A. M., Monday.

The yeas and nays being called, the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Bryson, Cone, Cottrell, Greeley, Hatcher, Hendricks and Powers—7.

Nays—Messrs. Allen, Chandler, Crill, Delano, Duncan, Landrum, Mallory, McKinne, Pope, Proctor and Sheppard—11.

Which was not agreed to.

Senate bill No. 183:

To be entitled an act to provide a method whereby jurors in criminal cases in the courts of Justices of the Peace, and in the courts of County Judges, acting ex-officio as Justices of the Peace, in this State, may collect their fees.

Mr. McKinne moved for a call of the Senate. The Secretary called the roll. A quorum not answering,

Mr. Cottrell moved for a re-call of the roll. The Secretary again called the roll, and a quorum not answering,

Mr. Chandler moved that the Senate adjourn until 10 o'clock A. M., Friday;

Which was agreed to.

FRIDAY, February 16, 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, Cottrell, Crill, Delano, Dell, Fortner, Greeley, Hankins, Hatcher, Hendricks, Landrum, Lesley, Mallory, Mountien, McClellan, McKinne, Polhill, Powers, Proctor, Roberts, Sharpe, Sheppard and Swearingen—24.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. McClellan, the reading of the journal of the 14th was dispensed with.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

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

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., February 16, 1883.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

President of the Senate:

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