

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—

Senate bill No. 222,
Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that
it do pass.

Very respectfully,

W. D. HANKINS,
Chairman of Committee.

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

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Senate bill No. 222:

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

Was read the second time and ordered to be engrossed.

Assembly bill No. 164:

To be entitled an act for the relief of Pierce Brown, of Jef-
ferson county,

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

Assembly bill No. 232:

To be entitled an act for the relief of Tilman Smith, of Es-
cambia county,

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

Assembly bill No. 73:

To be entitled an act to regulate appeals from the Circuit
to the Supreme Court in cases pertaining to the Probate
Jurisdiction or to the estates of minors or of deceased per-
sons,

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

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Assembly bill No. 127:

To be entitled an act for the relief of Julius Martin, of Cal-
houn county, Fla.,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Cottrell, Dell, Fortner, Greeley, Han-
kins, Hatcher, Hendricks, Landrum, Lesley, Mallory, McClel-
lan, Polhill, Powers, Proctor, Sheppard and Swearingen—17.

Nays—Messrs. Crill, Mountien, McKinne and Roberts—4.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

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,

Was read the second time and ordered to be engrossed.

Substitute for Senate bill No. 163:

To be entitled an act to limit and restrain the sale of in-
toxicating liquors, wine and beer, in this State,

Was made the special order for Tuesday, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Assembly bill No. 165:

To be entitled an act to prohibit persons shipping oranges
grown outside of the State of Florida as Florida oranges.

On motion, the bill was laid on the table.

Assembly bill No. 8:

To be entitled an act to repeal chapter 3151, Laws of Flor-
ida, being an act entitled an act to establish a Bureau of Im-
migration for the State of Florida and to promote the rapid
settlement of the State lands, approved March 7th, 1879,

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

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Senate bill No. 205:

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

Was read the third time and put upon its passage,

The vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Allen, Cottrell, Delano, Fort-
ner, Greeley, Hatcher, Hendricks, Lesley, McClellan, Mc-
Kinne, Roberts and Swearingen—13.

Nays—Messrs. Baker, Crill, Duncan, Hankins, Landrum,
Mallory, Mountien, Polhill, Powers, Proctor, Sharpe and
Sheppard—12.

The vote was a tie; the President voted aye.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Senate bill No. 80:

To be entitled an act for the relief of M. Lively,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Cottrell, Dell, Fortner, Greeley, Hatch-
er, Hendricks, Landrum, Lesley, Mallory, Mountien, McClel-
lan, Polhill, Powers, Proctor, Sharpe, Sheppard and Swearin-
gen—18.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Mr. Sharpe called up

Senate bill No. 63:

To be entitled an act to incorporate the Chattanooga, Columbus and Florida Railroad Company, and to grant aid thereto,

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

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Baker, Cottrell, Crill, Delano, Dell, Duncan, Fortner, Greeley, Hankins, Hatcher, Hendricks, Landrum, Lesley, Mountien, McClellan, McKinne, Polhill, Powers, Proctor, Roberts, Sharpe, Sheppard and Swearingen—24.

Nays—Mr. Mallory—1.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

On motion of Mr. Delano, the title was amended by striking out "and to grant aid thereto."

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 the County Judges, acting *ex-officio* as Justices of the Peace, in this State, may collect their fees,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Baker, Cottrell, Crill, Dell, Duncan, Fortner, Greeley, Hankins, Hatcher, Hendricks, Landrum, Lesley, Mallory, Mountien, McClellan, McKinne, Polhill, Powers, Proctor, Roberts, Sharpe, Sheppard and Swearingen—24.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

By leave, Mr. Mallory introduced the following bill :

Senate bill No. 223 :

To be entitled an act to provide for the speedy publication of the decisions of the Supreme Court of Florida ;

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

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

The hour of 11 o'clock having arrived, the consideration of Senate bill No. 218 :

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

Was taken up.

Section 1 was adopted.

Section 2 was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Mallory, the Senate went into Committee of the Whole on the bill.

The President resumed the chair.

After consideration of Senate bill No. 218 :

To be entitled an act for the assessment and collection of revenue, by the Committee of the Whole, the committee, through its Chairman, Mr. McKinne, reported back to the Senate the bill, and reported progress.

The following message was received from His Excellency, the Governor :

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, Tallahassee, Fla., Feb. 16, 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 to provide for the relinquishment of the dower of insane married women.

Very respectfully,

W. D. BLOXHAM, Governor.

Which was read.

Twenty-three minutes to one o'clock P. M., the Senate went into Executive Session.

Fifteen minutes to one o'clock P. M., the doors of the Senate were opened.

The President announced that the sad intelligence of the death of Hon. Silas L. Niblack, of Lake City, had just been received.

Mr. Mallory moved that a committee of three from the Senate be appointed to prepare suitable resolutions in regard to the death of the Hon. Silas L. Niblack ;

Which was agreed to.

Messrs. Mallory, Sharpe and Speer were appointed such committee.

By leave, Mr. Allen introduced the following bill :

Senate bill No. 224 :

To be entitled an act to secure railroad facilities for the whole State of Florida.

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

Mr. Crill moved that the Senate do now adjourn until ten o'clock to-morrow in respect to the memory of the late Hon. Silas L. Niblack ;

Which was agreed to.