

Assembly bill No. 301, to be entitled an act to incorporate the Fernandina and Amelia Beach Railway Company,

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

Very respectfully,

CHAS. DELANO,  
Chairman of Committee.

Which was read and adopted.

The bill was read by its title.

Also the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., Feb. 28, 1883.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

*President of the Senate :*

SIR—Your Committee on Railroads and Canals, to whom was referred—

Assembly bill No. 197, to be entitled an act to incorporate the Orange Ridge, Deland and Atlantic Railroad Company,

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered this bill and recommend that the same do pass as amended.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES DELANO,  
Chairman of Committee.

Which was read and adopted.

Also the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., Feb. 28, 1883.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

*President of the Senate :*

SIR—Your Committee on Railroads and Telegraphs, to whom was referred—

Assembly bill No. 198, to be entitled an act to incorporate the Blue Spring, Orange City and Atlantic Railroad,

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered the same, and respectfully recommend that the bill do pass, as amended.

Very respectfully,

CHAS. DELANO,  
Chairman of Committee.

Which was read and adopted.

MESSAGES FROM THE ASSEMBLY.

The following message was received from the Assembly :

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, Fla., Feb. 28, 1883.

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. 263, to be entitled an act to incorporate the Laboring Society of Fernandina, Nassau county, Fla. ; also,

Assembly bill No. 114, to be entitled an act to incorporate the Ocklawaha Steamboat, Canal, Drainage and River Improvement Company,

And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
*Chief Clerk of the Assembly.*

Assembly bill No. 263, was read the first time and referred to the Judiciary Committee, and Assembly bill No. 114 was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also the following :

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, Feb. 28, 1883.

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. 227, to be entitled an act to incorporate the Florida Land and Colonization Company.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
*Chief Clerk of the Assembly.*

The bill was read and placed among the orders of the day.  
On motion, the Senate adjourned until ten o'clock A. M. tomorrow.

THURSDAY, March 1, 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, Bryson, Chandler, Cole, Cone, Cottrell, Crill, Delano, Dell; Duncan, Fortner, Greeley, Hankins, Hatcher, Hendricks, Landrum, Lesley, Mallory, Mann, Moughtien, McClellan, McKinne, Polhill, Powers, Proctor, Roberts, Sharpe, Sheppard, Speer and Swearingen—31.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

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

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Assembly bill No. 237:

To be entitled an act to provide for normal instruction,  
Was read the second time and ordered to lie over.

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

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., March 1, 1883.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

*President of the Senate:*

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

Assembly bill No. 229, to be entitled an act for the adoption of a child by Wm. A. Turner and Amy B. Turner, his wife; also,

Assembly bill No. 182, to be entitled an act for the relief of Theodore Collins, of Marion county,

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

Very respectfully,

S. R. MALLORY,  
Chairman of Committee.

Which was read, and Assembly bill No. 182 was read the first time; on motion, the bill was read the second time by its title; on motion of Mr. Chandler, the rule was waived by a two-thirds vote, and the bill was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Baker, Bryson, Chandler, Cottrell, Crill, Delano, Fortner, Greeley, Hatcher, Hendricks, Landrum, Lesley, Mallory, Polhill, Proctor, Roberts, Sharpe and Shepard—19.

Nays—Messrs. Hankins, Mountien, McKinne, Powers and Speer—5.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

The following message was received from His Excellency the Governor:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, Tallahassee, Fla., Feb. 28, 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 acts which originated in the Senate, to-wit:

An act to incorporate the Fort Meade, Keystone and Walk-in-the-Water Railroad Company; also,

An act fixing the liability of persons and corporations for damages resulting from the death of any one caused by the wrongful act, negligence, carelessness or default of such persons or corporations, or the agents thereof.

Very respectfully,

W. D. BLOXHAM, Governor.

Which was read.

The Committee on Railroads and Canals made the following minority report:

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., March 1, 1883.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

*President of the Senate:*

SIR—A part of your Committee on Railroads and Canals, to whom was referred—

Assembly bill No. 202,

Beg leave to dissent from the report of a part of said committee, and after careful consideration recommend that it do pass with the land grant as asked for.

Very respectfully,

JOHN T. LESLEY,

WM. BRYSON,

Committee.

Which was read.

Mr. Crill was called to the chair.

Assembly bill No. 229:

To be entitled an act for the adoption of a child by W. A. Turner and Amy B. Turner his wife.

Mr. McKinne moved the indefinite postponement of the bill.

The motion was withdrawn.

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

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Baker, Chandler, Crill, Duncan, Fortner, Greeley, Hankins, Hatcher, Hendricks, Landrum, Lesley, Mallory, McClellan, Polhill, Powers, Roberts, Sharpe, Shepard, Speer and Swearingen—21.

Nays—Messrs. Cottrell and Mountien—2.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Assembly bill No. 237:

To be entitled an act to provide for normal instruction,  
Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Baker, Chandler, Cottrell, Crill, Duncan, Fortner, Greeley, Hankins, Hatcher, Hendricks, Landrum, Mallory, Polhill, Powers, Proctor and Speer—17.

Nays—Messrs. Bryson, Sharpe and Sheppard—3.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Assembly bill No. 301:

To be entitled an act to incorporate the Fernandina and Amelia Beach Railway Company,

Was read the second time.

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

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Bryson, Chandler, Cole, Cottrell, Crill, Delano, Duncan, Greeley, Hankins, Hatcher, Landrum, Lesley, Mallory, 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.

Mr. Sharpe moved that the Senate do now elect a President *pro tem.*;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Sharpe then nominated Hon. J. G. Speer, Senator from the 20th District,

Who was unanimously elected President *pro tem.* of the Senate.

The following message was received from the Assembly:

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, March 1, 1883.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

*President of the Senate.*

SIR—I am directed by the Assembly to inform the Senate that the Assembly respectfully requests the Senate to return to the Assembly—

Senate bill No. 91, to be entitled an act to regulate the official printing and legal advertising in the several counties in this State.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
*Chief Clerk of the Assembly.*

Mr. Bryson moved that the Senate take up the message, and moved to reconsider the vote of yesterday in declining to return Senate bill No. 91 to the Assembly.

Mr. McKinne raised the point of order that it was not the same bill as it was when it was received from the Assembly.

The Chair ruled that the bill was in the possession of the Senate until it had been signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Mallory, Mr. Bryson was allowed to withdraw his motion;

Which was withdrawn.

Mr. Chandler offered the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Enrolled Bills be and the same is hereby instructed to present to the Speaker of the Assembly Senate bill No. 91, which has been reported as correctly enrolled.

Mr. Cottrell moved to lay the motion on the table.

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

Yeas—Messrs. Cottrell, Crill, Lesley, Polhill, Roberts, Speer and Swearingen—7.

Nays—Messrs. Allen, Baker, Bryson, Chandler, Cole, Delano, Duncan, Greeley, Hatcher, Hendricks, Mallory, Mountien, McClellan, McKinne, Pope, Proctor, Sharpe and Sheppard—18.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Bryson moved to adopt the resolution.

Mr. Lesley moved to lay the whole matter on the table;

Which was not agreed to.

On motion to adopt Mr. Chandler's resolution, Mr. Duncan raised the point of order that the resolution embodied the discharge of the regular duties of the committee;

Which was sustained by the chair, and the resolution was ruled out of order.

Mr. Bryson appealed from the decision of the chair.

The ruling of the chair was sustained.

Mr. Baker offered the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Senate be and he is hereby instructed to return to the Assembly, Senate enrolled bill No. 91, in compliance with the request of that body, for the purpose of curing an informality reported by the joint committee of the Senate and Assembly.

Mr. Chandler offered the following substitute:

WHEREAS, It is understood that an informality has occurred in the transmission of Senate bill No. 91 between the Assembly and Senate; and whereas, such informality was such as not to affect the merits of the bill, and was purely accidental,

*Resolved*, That the Senate disclaims any intention of discourtesy toward the Assembly;

Which was adopted.

Senate bill No. 185 :

To be entitled an act in relation to the one mill State tax for school purposes,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Baker, Bryson, Chandler, Cottrell, Crill, Duncan, Greeley, Hankins, Hatcher, Hendricks, Lesley, Mallory, Mountien, McClellan, McKinne, Polhill, Powers, Proctor, Sheppard, Speer and Swearingen—22.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

By leave, Mr. Lesley introduced a resolution employing and providing for the paying of extra Enrolling Clerks ;

Which was read the first time, and, on motion, the rule was waived, and the resolution read the second time.

On motion, the rule was waived, and the resolution was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Chandler, Duncan, Greeley, Hankins, Hendricks, Mallory, Mann, Mountien, McClellan, Polhill, Powers, Proctor, Sharpe, Sheppard Speer and Swearingen—17.

Nays—Mr. McKinne—1.

So the resolution passed.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

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

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., March 1, 1883.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

*President of the Senate :*

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

Senate bill No. 87, to be entitled an act granting the right of way and other privileges for a Steamboat and Barge Canal through the State of Florida to the Atlantic and Mexican Canal Company,

Beq leave to report that they have examined the same and find it to be correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

H. H. DUNCAN,  
Chairman of Committee.

Which was read.

Mr. Speer, Chairman of a Special Committee, made the following report :

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, March 1, 1883.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

*President of the Senate*

SIR : Your Special Committee appointed by the Senate to draft resolutions relative to the death of the late Hon. S. L. Niblack, beg leave to report that they have performed the duty assigned to them, and herewith submit resolutions in accordance with the Senate's instructions.

Very respectfully,

J. G. SPEER,  
WM. H. SHARPE,  
S. R. MALLORY,  
Committee.

The following resolution was adopted :

Resolution Relative to the death of Hon. S. L. Niblack.

WHEREAS, God in his wisdom has removed from this life S. L. Niblack, late a distinguished and most efficient member of this Senate; and whereas, the said S. L. Niblack, as a christian gentleman, a pure patriot, and a man faithful and true to every duty assigned to him, impressed himself on all who knew him, and throughout a life of earnest work and usefulness furnished an edifying example to his fellow citizens; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of Florida, That while bowing in humble submission to the decree of Providence, by which the late S. L. Niblack was removed from his life of active usefulness, this Senate deems it proper to put on record its high estimate of the life and character of the said S. L. Niblack, and to give expression to their appreciation of the great loss which our State and people have sustained in his death.

Be it further resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate forward a copy of this resolution to the family of the late S. L. Niblack.

Mr. Mallory moved the resolution be spread upon the journals ;

Which was agreed to.  
Assembly bill No. 101 :

To be entitled an act to provide for transferring the certificates of sale of certain lands sold for taxes to the Comptroller's office, and for the sale, redemption, cancellation and settlement of tax sale certificates,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Baker, Chandler, Cole, Cottrell, Delano, Duncan, Greeley, Hankins, Hatcher, Hendricks, Lesley,

Mallory, Mann, McClellan, McKinne, Polhill, Powers, Proctor, Sharpe, Sheppard and Speer—22.  
Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.  
Mr. Delano, Chairman of the Committee on Railroads and Telegraphs, made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., Feb. 28, 1883.

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

SIR—Your Committee on Railroads and Telegraphs, to whom was referred—  
Assembly bill No. 202, to be entitled an act to incorporate the Seville and Halifax River Railroad Company,  
Beg leave to report that they have had this bill under consideration and respectfully recommend that the same do pass, as amended.

Very respectfully,

CHAS. DELANO,  
Chairman of Committee.

Which was read.

A part of the Committee on Railroads and Telegraphs made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., March 1, 1883.

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

SIR—A part of your Committee on Railroads and Telegraphs to whom was referred—  
Assembly bill No. 202,  
Beg leave to dissent from the report of a part of said committee, and after careful consideration, recommend that it do pass with the land grant as asked for.

Very respectfully,

JNO. T. LESLEY,  
WM. BRYSON,  
Committee.

Which was read.

Mr. Bryson moved that the bill be read, and that the minority report be adopted.

Assembly bill No. 202:  
To be entitled an act to incorporate the Seville and Halifax River Railroad Company,  
Was read.

On motion to adopt the minority report, the yeas and nays, being called for, the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Baker, Bryson, Cole, Cone, Hankins, Hatcher, Lesley, Mallory, McKinne, Polhill, Sheppard and Swearingen—13.

Nays—Messrs. Chandler, Cottrell, Delano, Hendricks, Landrum, Mann, McClellan, Powers, Proctor, Roberts, Sharpe and Speer—12.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Delano moved to postpone the further consideration of the bill until four o'clock.

Mr. Mallory moved, as a substitute, to put the bill upon its final passage.

The vote was a tie and the President voted aye.

Mr. McKinne raised the point of order that it required a two-thirds vote to waive the rule;

Which was sustained.

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

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Mallory moved that it be made the special order for 10 o'clock to-morrow;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. McClellan moved to make Assembly bill No. 191 the special order for 4 o'clock P. M.

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

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Baker, Chandler, Cole, Cone, Cottrell, Delano, Duncan, Greeley, Hatcher, Lesley, Mann, McClellan, Polhill, Pope, Proctor, Sheppard and Speer—18.

Nays—Messrs. Bryson, Hankins, Hendricks, Landrum, Mallory, McKinne, Powers, Roberts and Swearingen—9.

At two o'clock the Senate went into Executive Session.

Ten minutes after 2 o'clock the doors of the Senate were opened.

The President and Secretary signed the following bills:

An act to incorporate the Florida Sugar Company; also,  
Joint resolution recommending the electors at the next general election to vote for or against a convention; also,

An act to amend an act passed December 15, 1855, empowering County Surveyors to appoint deputies; also,

An act to restore Thos. D. Andrews, of Nassau county, to his civil rights; also,

An act for the relief of Pierce Brown, of Jefferson county.

On motion, the Senate took a recess until 4 o'clock P. M.

FOUR O'CLOCK P. M.

The Senate resumed its session.

The President *pro tem.* in the chair.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names :

Messrs. Allen, Baker, Bryson, Chandler, Cole, Cone, Cottrell, Crill, Delano, Dell, Duncan, Fortner, Greeley, Hankins, Hatcher, Hendricks, Landrum, Lesley, Mallory, Mann, Moutien, McClellan, McKinne, Polhill, Pope, Powers, Proctor, Roberts, Sharpe, Sheppard, Speer and Swearingen—32.  
A quorum present.

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY.

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

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., Feb. 26, 1883.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

*President of the Senate :*

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

Assembly bill No. 191, to be entitled an act to amend Section twenty-three of the act approved February 4, 1869, entitled an act to provide for the incorporation of cities and towns; and to establish a uniform system of municipal government in this State,

Beg leave to report that they have considered the same, and return it herewith to the Senate without recommendation, the members of your committee being evenly divided in opinion as to the merits of the bill.

Very respectfully,

S. R. MALLORY,  
Chairman of Committee.

Which was read.

Assembly bill No. 191 :

To be entitled an act to amend Section 23 of an act approved February 4, 1869, entitled an act to provide for the incorporation of cities and towns, and to establish a uniform system of municipal government in this State,

Was read the second time.

Mr. Mallory offered the following amendment :

Strike out all of Section 3.

Mr. Bryson moved to postpone further consideration of the bill until 8 o'clock P. M.

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

Yeas—Messrs. Bryson, Cone, Fortner, Hankins, Mallory, McKinne, Polhill and Sheppard—8.

Nays—Messrs. Allen, Baker, Chandler, Cole, Cottrell, Crill, Greeley, Hatcher, Landrum, Lesley, Mann, McClellan, Pope, Powers, Proctor, Sharpe, Speer and Swearingen—18.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. McKinne moved to recommit the bill ;  
Which was not agreed to.

On motion to adopt Mr Mallory's amendment, the yeas and nays were called for.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Bryson, Cone, Cottrell, Hatcher, Landrum, Mallory, McKinne, Polhill, Sheppard and Swearingen—10.

Nays—Messrs. Allen, Baker, Chandler, Cole, Crill, Fortner, Greeley, Hankins, Lesley, Mann, McClellan, Pope, Powers, Proctor, Sharpe and Speer—16.

Which was not adopted.

Mr. McClellan moved that the rule be waived, and that the bill be read the third time and put upon its passage.

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

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Baker, Chandler, Cole, Cone, Cottrell, Crill, Delano, Greeley, Hankins, Hatcher, Lesley, Mann, McClellan, Pope, Powers, Proctor, Sharpe and Speer—19.

Nays—Messrs. Bryson, Fortner, Landrum, Mallory, McKinne, Polhill, Sheppard and Swearingen—8.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Mr. Cottrell moved to reconsider the vote just taken.

Waiving the rule, Mr. Baker moved to lay the motion on the table ;

Which was agreed to.

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

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Baker, Chandler, Cole, Cone, Crill, Delano, Greeley, Lesley, Mann, McClellan, Pope, Powers, Proctor, Roberts, Sharpe and Speer—17.

Nays—Messrs. Bryson, Cottrell, Fortner, Hankins, Hatcher, Hendricks, Landrum, Mallory, McKinne, Polhill, Sheppard and Swearingen—12.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Mr. Mallory offered the following amendment to the title of the bill :

An act to wring retroactive taxes from a helpless and tax-ridden people ;

Which was not adopted.

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

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., March 1, 1883.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

*President of the Senate :*

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

Senate bill No. 120, to be entitled an act to extend the limits of the city of Jacksonville and abolish conflicting municipal corporations, and to provide for a submission of the question to a vote of the people,

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

Very respectfully,

WM. BRYSON,  
Chairman Committee.

Which was read.

Mr. McKinne moved that the bill be put upon its passage; which was agreed to.

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

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Baker, Bryson, Chandler, Cole, Crill, Delano, Duncan, Greeley, Mallory, Mann, Mountien, Pope and Proctor—14.

Nays—Messrs. Cottrell, Hankins, Landrum, Lesley, McClellan, McKinne Polhill, Powers, Roberts, Sharpe, Sheppard, Speer and Swearingen—13.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Mr. Mallory moved to reconsider the vote just taken and to lay that motion on the table.

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

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Baker, Bryson, Chandler, Cole, Crill, Delano, Duncan, Greeley, Mallory, Mann, Mountien, Pope, Proctor and Speer—15.

Nays—Messrs. Cottrell, Hankins, Landrum, Lesley, McClellan, McKinne, Polhill, Powers, Roberts, Sharpe, and Swearingen—11.

Which was agreed to.

Ordered that the bill be certified at once.

The following message was received from the Assembly:

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, Fla., Feb. 28, 1883.

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 Nos. 3, 4 and 5, and refuse to concur in amendments Nos. 1 and 2, and respectfully request the appointment of a Committee of Conference, and have appointed Messrs. Blackwell, McClellan and Dennis, such Committee on part of the Assembly.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
*Chief Clerk of the Assembly.*

On motion of Mr. Pope, a Committee of Conference on Assembly bill No. 11, was appointed.

Messrs. Pope, Mallory and Sharpe were appointed such Committee on the part of the Senate.

The President resumed the chair.

Mr. Crill was excused from to-night's session.

MESSAGES FROM THE ASSEMBLY.

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, Fla., March 1, 1883.

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. 246, to be entitled an act for levying a tax for the years 1883 and 1884, with amendments thereto,

And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
*Chief Clerk of the Assembly.*

The amendments were concurred in, and the same ordered to be certified to the Assembly.

Also the following:

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, Fla., March 1, 1883.

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. 224, to be entitled an act to provide for the execution and acknowledgment of deeds to lands in the State of Florida; also,

Assembly bill No. 149, to be entitled an act to incorporate the Bank of the State of Florida; also,

Assembly bill No. 256, to be entitled an act to declare what shall be lawful fence or enclosure to lands.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
*Chief Clerk of the Assembly.*

Which was read, and Assembly bills Nos. 224 and 226 were referred to the Judiciary Committee, and Assembly bill No. 149 to the Committee on Corporations.

Also the following:

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, Fla., March 1, 1883.

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. 201, to be entitled an act to provide for the relief of the city of Pensacola.

Very respectfully,  
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
*Chief Clerk of the Assembly.*

Which was read, and the accompanying bill referred to the Committee on Corporations.  
Also the following :

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, Fla., March 1, 1883.

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. 93, to be entitled an act to grant certain lands to the Green Cove Spring and Melrose Railroad Company.

Very respectfully,  
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
*Chief Clerk of the Assembly.*

Which was read and referred to the Committee on City and County Organizations.  
Also the following :

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, Fla., March 1, 1883.

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. 267, to be entitled an act to establish the Pensacola Classical School.

Very respectfully,  
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
*Chief Clerk of the Assembly.*

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Education.

Also the following :

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, Fla., March 1, 1883.

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. 157, to be entitled an act to incorporate

the Peninsular Land Transportation and Manufacturing Company.

Very respectfully,  
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
*Chief Clerk of the Assembly.*

The bill was read the first and second times by its title.  
Also the following :

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, Fla., March 1, 1883.

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. 286, to be entitled an act to incorporate the Chattahoochee and Alabama Railroads, and to aid in the construction thereof.

Very respectfully,  
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
*Chief Clerk of the Assembly.*

Which was read and the accompanying bill referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Also the following :

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, Fla., March 1, 1883.

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. 164, to be entitled an act to incorporate the South Florida Railroad Company; also,  
Senate bill No. 158, to be entitled an act to incorporate the Tavares, Orlando and Atlantic Railroad Company.

Very respectfully,  
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
*Chief Clerk of the Assembly.*

Which was read and the accompanying bills ordered to be enrolled.

Also the following :

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, Fla., March 1, 1883.

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. 220, to be entitled an act to amend an act to grant certain lands to the East Florida Railroad Company, approved March 4, 1881; also,

Senate bill No. 219, to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Live Oak and Rowland's Bluff Railroad Company, approved February 25, 1881.

Very respectfully,  
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
*Chief Clerk of the Assembly.*

The bills were read and ordered to be enrolled.

Also the following:

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, Fla., March 1, 1883.

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. 230, to be entitled an act to legalize the town government of Archer; also,

Assembly bill No. 275, to be entitled an act to legalize the incorporation of the town of Sumterville, in the county of Sumter, and to declare the incorporation of the town of Sumterville valid and of full force and effect,

And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,  
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
*Chief Clerk of the Assembly.*

Which was read and Assembly bill No. 230 was referred to the Committee on City and County Organizations, and Assembly bill No. 275 was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also the following:

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, Fla., Feb. 28, 1883.

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. 290, to be entitled an act to legalize the town government of the town of Brooksville, Florida.

Very respectfully,  
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
*Chief Clerk of the Assembly.*

Also the following:

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, Fla., March 1, 1883.

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

SIR—I am directed by the Assembly to respectfully request

the Senate to return Assembly bill No. 286 to the Assembly for further consideration.

Very respectfully,  
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
*Chief Clerk of the Assembly.*

Ordered to lie over until 8 o'clock P. M. for investigation.  
Mr. Pope called up Assembly bill No. 263.

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

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., March 1, 1883.

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

SIR—Your Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred—

Assembly bill No. 263, to be entitled an act to incorporate the Laboring Society of Fernandina, Nassau county,

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

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

Which was read.

On motion, the rule was waived by a two-thirds vote, and the bill read the second time and on motion the rule was waived by a two-thirds vote and the bill was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Bake, Chandler, Cone, Delano, Duncan, Greerley, Hatcher, Hendricks, Landrum, Mallory, Mountien, Pope, Powers, Proctor, Sharpe, Sheppard and Speer—17.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

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

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., March 1, 1883.

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

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

Assembly bill No. 114, to be entitled an act to incorporate the Ocklawaha Steamboat, Canal, Drainage and River Improvement Company,

Report that they have considered the same and recommend its passage.

Very respectfully,

J. H. MCKINNE,  
Chairman of Committee.

The bill was read the first time.

On motion, the rule was waived by a two-thirds vote, and the bill read the second and third times and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Chandler, Cone, Cole, Cottrell, Delano, Greeley, Hankins, Hendricks, Landrum, Mann, Powers, Proctor, Sharpe, Sheppard and Speer—17.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Mr. Speer moved to strike out "head of Ocklawaha river" and insert "Lake Eustis" wherever it occurs in the title and body of the bill;

Which was agreed to by unanimous consent of the Senate. The following message was received from the Assembly

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, Fla., March 1, 1883.  
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. 128, to be entitled an act to amend Sections 3 and 6, of Chapter 3336, Laws of Florida, approved March 8, 1881, an act to incorporate the Tropical Peninsular Railroad Company, with amendments.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
*Chief Clerk of the Assembly.*

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

On motion, the Senate took a recess until 8 o'clock P. M.

EIGHT 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, Bryson, Chandler, Cole, Cone, Cottrell, Delano, Duncan, Fortner, Hankins, Hatcher, Hendricks, Landrum, Lesley, Mallory, Mann, Mountien, McClellan, McKinne,

Polhill, Pope, Powers, Proctor, Roberts, Sharpe, Sheppard, Speer and Swearingen—29.

A quorum present.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

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

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., March 1, 1883.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

*President of the Senate:*

SIR—Your Committee on Claims, to whom was referred—Assembly bill No. 144, to be entitled an act for the relief of James E. Sykes, late Tax Assessor of Holmes county, State of Florida, for the year 1869,

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

J. G. SPEER,  
Chairman of Committee.

The bill was read the second time.

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

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Bryson, Chandler, Cottrell, Fortner, Greeley, Hankins, Hatcher, Hendricks, Landrum, Mountien, McClellan, McKinne, Polhill, Proctor, Sheppard, Speer and Swearingen—18.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Senate bill No. 128 was passed over, subject to call.

Senate bill No. 228:

To be entitled an act to amend Chapter 3379, Laws of Florida, entitled an act for the relief of the heirs of Helen C. Racy, executrix and sole heir-at-law of William C. Racy, and of the minor children of Helen C. Racy, deceased, approved March 7th, 1881,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Chandler, Cottrell, Fortner, Greeley, Hankins, Hatcher, Hendricks, Landrum, McClellan, McKinne, Polhill, Powers, Proctor, Roberts, Sheppard, Speer and Swearingen—18.

Nays—Mr. Mountien—1.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

The following message was received from the Assembly:  
 ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, Fla., March 1, 1883.

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. 239, to be entitled an act to grant certain lands to the Jacksonville, St. Augustine and Halifax Railway Company; also,  
 Joint resolution employing and providing for the paying of extra Enrolling Clerks.

Very respectfully,  
 WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
*Chief Clerk of the Assembly.*

The bill and resolution were referred to the Committee on Enrolled bills.

The Senate concurred in the Assembly amendments to Senate bill No. 128.

Mr. Crill, Chairman of the Committee on Education, made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, February 28, 1883.

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

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

Assembly bill No. 245, to be entitled an act to provide for teachers' institutes,

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,  
 E. S. CRILL,  
 Chairman of Committee.

Which was read and adopted.

The bill was read the second time.

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

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Chandler, Cone, Cottrell, Duncan, Fortner, Greeley, Hankins, Hatcher, Hendricks, Landrum, McClellan, McKinne, Polhill, Powers, Proctor, Roberts, Sheppard and Speer—19.

Nays—Mr. Mountien—1.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Assembly bill No. 172, to be entitled an act for the relief of Tabitha J. S. Colson,

The bill was read the second time.

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

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Baker, Bryson, Cone, Cottrell, Fortner, Greeley, Hankins, Hatcher, Hendricks, McClellan, Polhill, Powers, Roberts, Sharpe, Sheppard and Swearingen—17.

Nays—Messrs. Chandler, Duncan, Mountien, McKinne, Pope, Proctor and Speer—7.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

The President and Secretary signed the following bills:

A bill for the relief of Theodore Collins, of Marion county; also,

A bill to provide for normal instruction; also,

A bill to incorporate the Fernandina and Amelia Beach Railroad Co.

Mr. Mallory, Chairman of the Committee on City and County Organizations, made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, March 1, 1883.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

*President of the Senate:*

SIR—Your Committee on City and County Organizations, to whom was referred—

Assembly bill No. 201, to be entitled act to provide for the relief of the city of Pensacola,

Beg leave to report that they have had the same under consideration, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

S. R. MALLORY,  
 Chairman of Committee.

On motion, the rule was waived by a two-thirds vote and the bill was read the second time by its title.

On motion, the bill was made the special order for 10:30 o'clock to-morrow.

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 State lands.

Mr. Baker moved that the consideration of the bill be set for fifteen minutes before twelve o'clock M. to-morrow.

Mr. Sharpe moved to lay the bill on the table.

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

Yeas—Messrs. Cottrell, Hankins, Hatcher, Mallory, Mountien, McKinne, Polhill, Powers, Sharpe and Speer—10.

Nays—Messrs. Baker, Bryson, Chandler, Cole, Cone, Delano, Duncan, Hendricks, Landrum, Mann, Pope, Proctor, Roberts, Sheppard and Swearingen—15.

Which was not agreed to.

On Mr. Baker's motion to postpone until fifteen minutes before twelve o'clock M. to-morrow, the yeas and nays being called, the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Bryson, Chandler, Cole, Cone, Delano, Duncan, Fortner, Greeley, Hendricks, Mann, Pope, Proctor and Sheppard—14.

Nays—Messrs. Cottrell, Hankins, Hatcher, Landrum, Mallory, Mountien, McKinne, Powers, Roberts, Sharpe, Speer and Swearingen—12.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. McKinne was called to the chair.

The following message was received from the Assembly:

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, Fla., March 1, 1883.

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 the amendments and adopted the report of the Committee of Conference on Senate amendments to Assembly No. 11, relative to amending the act to keep in good repair the public roads and highways of this State.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
*Chief Clerk of the Assembly.*

The President resumed the chair.

Mr. Sharpe moved that the Secretary be instructed to return to the Assembly Senate bill No. 286, in compliance with the request from the Assembly.

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

Yeas—Messrs. Cottrell, Delano, Duncan, Fortner, Hankins, Landrum, Mallory, McKinne, Powers, Sharpe, Speer and Swearingen—12.

Nays—Messrs. Baker, Bryson, Chandler, Cole, Cone, Greeley, Hatcher, Hendricks, Mann, Mountien, Pope, Proctor, Roberts and Sheppard—14.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. McKinne moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Mr. Baker moved to lay the motion on the table;

Which was agreed to.

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

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., March 1, 1883.

HON. L. W. BETHEL,

*President of the Senate:*

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

An act granting the right of way and other privileges for a steamboat or barge canal through the State of Florida to the Atlantic and Mexican Gulf Canal Company; also,  
An act for the assessment and collection of revenue.

Very respectfully,

H. H. DUNCAN, Chairman.

The President and Secretary signed the foregoing enrolled bills.

Mr. Swearingen moved to postpone the further consideration of Senate bill No. 286 until 12 o'clock to-morrow.

Mr. Bryson moved to lay the motion on the table;

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Bryson,

Assembly bill No. 286:

To be entitled an act to incorporate the Chattahoochee and Alabama Railroad, and to aid in the construction thereof,

Was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Mallory, the rule was suspended and the bill read the second time by its title.

Mr. Delano offered the following amendment:

That all grants of lands, except alternate sections, as provided in the general law for the incorporation of railroads and canals, amounting to 3,840 acres per mile, be stricken from the bill;

Which was not adopted.

Mr. Bryson moved to waive the rule, and that the bill be put upon its passage;

Upon which the yeas and nays were called for.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Bryson, Chandler, Cole, Cottrell, Fortner, Greeley, Hankins, Hatcher, Hendricks, Mallory, Mann, Mountien, Pope, Proctor, Roberts and Sheppard—17.

Nays—Messrs. Delano, Landrum, McKinne, Sharpe, Speer and Swearingen—6.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

The President *pro tem.* was called to the chair.

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

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Bryson, Cottrell, Hendricks, Mountien, McKinne and Speer—6.

Nays—Messrs. Baker, Delano, Duncan, Fortner, Greeley, Hankins, Hatcher, Landrum, Mallory, Mann, Pope, Powers, Sharpe and Swearingen—14.

So the bill did not pass.

The President resumed the chair.

The following message was received from the Assembly:

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, Fla., March 1, 1883.

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. 168, to be entitled an act to provide an institute for the blind, deaf and dumb in the State of Florida.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

*Chief Clerk of the Assembly.*

The bill was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills. Also the following:

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, March 1, 1883.

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. 185, to be entitled an act in relation to the one mill State tax for school purposes; also,

Senate bill No. —, to be entitled an act for the relief of M. Lively, of Tallahassee, Florida.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

*Chief Clerk of the Assembly.*

The bills were referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

The President and Secretary signed the following bills:

An act to provide for transferring the certificates of sale of certain lands sold for taxes to the Comptroller's office, and for the sale, redemption, cancellation and settlement of tax-sale certificates; also,

An act for the adoption of a child.

The President *pro tem.* was called to the chair.

Mr. Duncan called up—

Senate bill No. 251:

To be entitled an act to provide for investments by the

Board of Education of the State of Florida of moneys of the Common School Fund,

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

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Chandler, Cone, Delano, Duncan, Fortner, Greeley, Hankins, Hatcher, Hendricks, Landrum, Mallory, Proctor, Sharpe, Sheppard and Speer—16.

Nay—Mr. Bryson—1.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly at once. Senate bill No. 252:

To be entitled an act to provide for lending moneys of the Common School fund by the Board of Education upon promissory notes and writings obligatory secured by mortgage on lands situated in this State,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Chandler, Cone, Delano, Duncan, Fortner, Greeley, Landrum, Mallory, Proctor, Sharpe, Sheppard, Speer and Swearingen—14.

Nays—Messrs. Bryson, Hankins, Hatcher, Hendricks, McKinne, Pope and Roberts—7.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

Mr. Speer called up—

Assembly bill No. 157:

To be entitled an act to incorporate the Peninsular Land, Transportation and Manufacturing Company,

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

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Bryson, Cone, Delano, Duncan, Fortner, Greeley, Hankins, Hatcher, Hendricks, Mallory, Mann, Powers, Proctor, Roberts, Sharpe, Sheppard, Speer and Swearingen—18.

Nays—Mr. Landrum—1.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

The President and Secretary signed the following bills:

An act to provide for teachers' institutes; also,

An act for the relief of Helen C. Racy; also,

An act for the relief of James E. Sykes.

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

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., March 1, 1883.

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

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

Senate bill No. 218, to be entitled an act for the assessment and collection of revenue,  
 Beg leave to report that they have examined the same and find it to be correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,  
 H. H. DUNCAN,  
 Chairman of Committee.

Which was read.

The Assembly amendments to Senate bill No. 168 were concurred in, and the same ordered to be certified to the Assembly.

Substitute for Assembly bill No. 227:

To be entitled an act to incorporate the Florida Land and Colonization Company,

Was read the second time by its title, and, on motion, the rule was waived by a two-thirds vote, and the bill read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Cone, Delano, Duncan, Fortner, Greeley, Hankins, Hendricks, Landrum, Mallory, Mann, Powers, Proctor, Sharpe, Sheppard, Speer and Swearingen—16.

Nays—Mr. Roberts—1.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Substitute for Senate bill No. 226:

To be entitled an act to further provide for the government of cities and towns,

Was read the second time by its title.

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

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Chandler, Cone, Delano, Duncan, Fortner, Greeley, Hatcher, Mallory, Mann, Proctor, Sharpe, Sheppard and Swearingen—13.

Nays—Messrs. Bryson, Hankins, Hendricks, Landrum and Roberts—5.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

The following message was received from the Assembly:

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, Fla., March 1, 1883.

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. 161, to be entitled an act to incorporate the

Pine Hill Grange No. 41, Patrons of Husbandry, in Bradford county, Florida; also,

Senate bill No. 99, to be entitled an act to make an appropriation to cover rewards offered by the Governor for the arrest of fugitives from justice for the years 1883 and 1884.

Very respectfully,  
 WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
 Chief Clerk of the Assembly.

The bills were referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Bryson moved that the Assembly be requested to return to the Senate Assembly bill No. 122, to be entitled an act for the relief of Tabitha J. S. Colson, as the Senate desires to reconsider the action taken thereon;

Which was not agreed to.

Senate bill No. 213:

To be entitled an act authorizing incorporated cities and towns to establish and maintain a system of water works,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Bryson, Chandler, Cone, Delano, Fortner, Greeley, Hankins, Hendricks, Mallory, Mann, Proctor, Sharpe, Sheppard and Speer—14.

Nays—Messrs. Hatcher, Landrum, Powers and Swearingen—4.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Senate bill No. 162:

To be entitled an act for the relief of John L. Inglis,  
 Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Bryson, Chandler, Cone, Delano, Fortner, Greeley, Hankins, Hatcher, Landrum, Mallory, Mann, McKinne, Polhill, Pope, Powers, Proctor, Roberts, Sheppard, Speer and Swearingen—21.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Assembly.

Mr. Landrum moved that the Senate adjourn until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning;

Which was agreed to.