

Resolved, That in order that State Commissioner Sebring may be able to address the whole Legislature at the same time in regard to the Florida exhibits at New Orleans, the Senate do adjourn to convene in the Assembly Hall at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Mallory moved to lay the amendment on the table ;
Which was agreed to.

Mr. Mann withdrew his resolution.

The committee from the Assembly appeared at the bar of the Senate, and invited the Senate to meet the Assembly in their hall to hear General Sebring on the New Orleans Exposition.

On motion of Mr. Mann, the invitation was accepted.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Senate Bill No. 32 :

To secure a copy of the original field notes of the exterior lines of townships,

Was ordered to be referred to Mr. Crill, member of the committee, in the absence of the chairman of the committee on County and City Organization.

Senate Bill No. 13 :

To provide for taking the census of the State of Florida for the year 1885,

Was read the second time.

The admendments offered by the committee on State Affairs were adopted.

Mr. Martin moved that the bill lay on the table on its second reading and that 125 copies be printed;

Which was agreed to.

Senate Bill No. 28 :

To be entitled an act for the relief of Henry Macon,

Was read the second time and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion, General Sebring was invited to a seat on the Senate floor.

Substitute for Senate Bill No. 29 :

To be entitled an act to admit certified copies of certain written instruments in evidence ;

Ordered that 150 copies each of the bill and the substitute be printed.

Mr. Cooper moved that the bill and substitute lay on the table on its second reading, to be printed ;

Which was agreed to.

Senate Bill No. 3 :

To be entitled an act to repeal Chapter 350, Laws of Florida, entitled an act in relation to the duties of the Comptroller and Treasurer of this State, approved January 4, 1851,

Was read the second time and ordered to be engrossed.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

Senate Bill No. 21 :

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—Messrs. Bryson, Cooper, Delano, Hendricks, Jones, Landrum, Lee, Lesley, Mann, Orman and Williams—11.

Nays—Messrs. Baker, Chandler, Cole, Cottrell, Gaskins, Hankins, Mallory, Mountien, Neel, Proctor, Sammis, Sheppard and Speer—13.

So the bill was lost.

Mr. Mallory moved to reconsider the vote just taken.

Senate went into executive session.

Doors opened.

Mr. Cooper offered following resolution :

Resolved, That the Senate being informed of the death of the Honorable George C. Powers, late Senator from the 31st District, the Senate as a token of respect for the memory of the said deceased Senator do now adjourn until to-morrow morning at ten o'clock ;

Which was adopted.

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

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TUESDAY, January 13, 1885.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

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

Messrs. Baker, Bryson, Burnam, Chandler, Cole, Cooper, Cottrell, Crill, Delano, Gaskins, Hankins, Hendricks, Jones, Landrum, Lee, Lesley, Mallory, Martin, Mountien, Neel, Orman, Proctor, Roberts, Sammis, Sheppard, Speer, Stripling, Whidden and Williams—29.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

READING OF JOURNAL.

Mr. Stripling moved the following :

That hereafter the reading of the journal shall be dispensed with and in lieu thereof that the President shall announce the correction of the journal as in order.

Mr. Stripling withdrew the motion by leave.

On motion the reading of the journal was dispensed with for to-day, same corrected and approved.

Mr. Martin offered the following :

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to have a list of the Senate, the officers and attaches, with their respective post-office addresses printed for the use of this body.

Mr. Mountien moved to indefinitely postpone the same ;

Which was not agreed to.

Upon motion for its adoption, motion prevailed.

Mr. Whidden offered the following resolution :

WHEREAS, There are several of the incorporated towns of the State that are injured in the operations of the law with relation to the sale of intoxicating liquors, by reason of the fact that persons residing outside the corporate limits of their towns are permitted to sign petitions for the license to sell liquors in the limits of the towns ; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That the Special Committee on Temperance be instructed to consider and report what legislation is necessary to remedy the evil complained of, with power to bring in such amendments to the existing law as may be necessary for the purpose ;

Which was read and adopted.

The following message was received from the Assembly :

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, January 12, 1885.

HON. H. M. MABRY,

President of the Senate :

SIR : I am directed by the Assembly to inform the Senate that the Assembly has passed the following resolution to wit :

Resolved, That a committee to consist of two from the Senate and three from the Assembly be appointed for the purpose of examining the State Land Office and matters connected therewith, and they be authorized to employ such clerical aid as they may deem necessary, and send for persons and papers and respectfully ask the concurrence of the Senate therein.

W. H. REYNOLDS,

Chief Clerk of the Assembly.

Which was read.

Mr. Chandler offered the following, and moved its adoption :

That the Secretary of the Senate be and he is hereby instructed to request the Clerk of the Assembly to certify to the Senate the resolution of the Assembly relative to appointment of a joint committee to examine the State Land Office.

The yeas and nays were called for.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Chandler, Cooper and Proctor—4.

Nays—Messrs. Burnam, Cottrell, Crill, Gaskins, Hankins, Jones, Landrum, Lee, Lesley, Mallory, Martin, Mountien, Neel, Orman, Roberts, Sammis, Sheppard, Speer and Strippling—19.

So the motion was lost.

The President announced that the message was a resolution.

Mr. Crill offered the following amendment :

That the Senate concur in the action of the Assembly with the following amendment : "strike out the part relating to clerical aid."

Mr. Martin offered the following :

Resolved, That a committee of two be appointed on the part of the Senate to act in concurrence with a similar committee on the part of the Assembly to examine the records, &c., of the State Land office ; *provided* said committee shall not be allowed clerical aid for such purpose.

On motion, it was laid on the table.

Mr. Crill's amendment was then adopted.

The following message was received from the Assembly :

ASSEMBLY HALL, Tallahassee, Fla., Jan. 12, 1885.

HON. M. H. MABRY,

President of the Senate :

SIR : I am directed by the Assembly to inform the Senate that the Assembly has passed the following resolution, to wit :

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed, two on the part of the Senate and three on the part of the Assembly, to examine the office of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, and report the condition of the same to this Legislature,

And respectfully ask the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,

W. H. REYNOLDS,

Chief Clerk of the Assembly.

Which was read, concurred in and ordered to be certified to the Assembly.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., January 13, 1885.

HON. M. H. MABRY,

President of the Senate :

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

Senate Bill No. 40, to be entitled an act to legalize the corporation of the town of Kissimmee City, and to legalize its acts and doings,

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

Very respectfully,
CHARLES DELANO,
Chairman Committee.

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

Also the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., Jan. 13, 1885.

HON. M. H. MABRY,
President of the Senate :

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

Senate Bill No. 38, to be entitled an act providing for the appointment of administrators,

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 the accompanying bill placed among the orders of the day.

Also the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, January 13, 1885.

HON. M. H. MABRY,
President of the Senate :

SIR : Your Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred Senate bill No. 7, to be entitled an act to amend Section 8, sub-Chapter 8, of Chapter 1637, 1868, Laws of Florida ; also,

Senate bill No. 10, to be entitled an act to amend sections 1 and 2 of sub-Chapter 6, of Chapter 1637, of an act approved August 6, A. D. 1868 ; also,

Senate bill No. 12, to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act, approved February 3, 1874, Chapter 1986, Laws of Florida ; also,

Senate bill No. 16, to be entitled an act to require Justices of the Peace to give bond ; also,

Senate bill No. 37, to be entitled an act to provide for contesting the validity of wills in the County Courts of this State,

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

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

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

Also the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., January 12, 1885.

HON. M. H. MABRY,
President of the Senate :

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

Senate Bill No. 17, to be entitled an act to amend section 51, sub-chapter 4, Chapter 1637, act of August 6, 1868, Laws of Florida ; also,

Senate Bill No. 20, to be entitled an act to amend sections 2 and 3 of sub-chapter 1637 of the Laws of Florida, being an act entitled an act to provide for the punishment of crime and proceedings in criminal cases ; also,

Senate Bill No. 22, to be entitled an act in relation to the adoption of children,

Respectfully report that they have examined the same, and find them correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,
WILLIAM BRYSON,
Chairman Committee.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Which was read, and the accompanying bills placed among bills for third reading.

Mr. Mallory moved to lay Senate Bill No. 21 on the table subject to call.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Crill :

Senate Bill No. 48 :

To be entitled an act to designate the times for holding the terms of the Circuit Court for the Fifth Judicial Circuit of Florida ;

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

By Mr. Crill :

Senate Bill No. 49 :

To be entitled an act in relation to the duties of city and town assessors and boards of aldermen ;

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

By Mr. Mallory :

Senate Bill No. 50 :

To be entitled an act to provide a rule of compensation to the owners of cattle and other stock which are hereafter injured or killed on the lines of railroads in this State, under circumstances therein stated ;

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

By Mr. Speer :

Senate Bill No. 51 :

To be entitled an act to amend Chapter 2, Section 7, McClellan's Digest ;

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

By Mr. Burnam :

Senate Bill No. 52 :

To be entitled an act to fix the liabilities of railroads for damages to stock and freight, to regulate the practice in such cases and to provide a penalty for violation of this act ;

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

By Mr. Speer :

Senate Bill No. 53 :

To be entitled an act to amend Section 7, Chapter 46, McClellan's Digest ;

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

A message was received from the governor.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Senate Bill No. 7 :

To be entitled an act to amend section 8, sub-chapter 8, of Chapter 1637, 1868, Laws of Florida,

Was read the second time.

Mr. Mallory moved the indefinite postponement of the bill.

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

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Burnam, Chandler, Cooper, Cottrell, Hendricks, Leslev, Mallory, Mann, Mountien, Proctor, Sammis, Sheppard, Speer and Stripling—15.

Nays—Messrs. Bryson, Cole, Crill, Delano, Gaskins, Hankins, Jones, Landrum, Lee, Neel, Orman, Roberts, Whidden and Williams—14.

The motion prevailed.

Senate Bill No. 10 :

To be entitled an act to amend section 182 of sub-chapter 6 of Chapter 1637 of an act, approved August 6, 1868,

Was read the second time.

Mr. Mallory moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed ; Upon which the yeas and nays were called for.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Bryson, Burnam, Chandler, Cooper, Cottrell, Crill, Delano, Gaskins, Hankins, Lee, Mallory, Mountien, Proctor, Sammis, Sheppard, Speer, Stripling, Whidden and Williams—20.

Nays—Messrs. Landrum, Mann, Neel, Orman and Roberts—5.

So the motion prevailed.

Senate Bill No. 12 :

To be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act, approved February 3, 1874, Chapter 1986, Laws of Florida,

Was read the second time.

Mr. Mallory moved the indefinite postponement of the bill.

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

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Chandler, Cooper, Cottrell, Crill, Hankins, Mallory, Martin, Proctor, Sammis and Stripling—11.

Nays—Messrs. Bryson, Burnam, Delano, Gaskins, Landrum, Lee, Mann, Sheppard, Whidden and Williams—10.

So the motion prevailed.

Senate Bill No. 37 :

To be entitled an act to provide for contesting wills in the County Courts in this State,

Was read the second time.

Mr. Mallory moved to indefinitely postpone the bill ;

Which was agreed to.

Senate Bill No. 16 :

The committee to whom the bill was referred made an adverse report.

Mr. Mallory moved that the bill lie upon the table subject to call owing to the absence of the introducer.

Senate Bill No. 38 :

To be entitled an act to provide for the appointment of administrators,

Was read, and, upon motion, ordered to lay upon the table for a second reading, and 125 copies to be printed.

The Committee on Corporations made the following report :

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., Jan. 13, 1885.

HON. M. H. MABRY,
President of the Senate :

SIR: Your Committee on Corporations to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 44:

To be entitled an act to legalize the incorporation of the town of DeLand, in the county of Volusia, and to declare the incorporation of the town of DeLand valid and of full force and effect,

Beg leave to report that they have carefully prepared an amendment for the same which they respectfully recommend do pass.

Very respectfully,

CHAS. DELANO, Chairman.

The original bill and substitute was then read.

Mr. Crill moved that the substitute be adopted;

Which was agreed to, and ordered to be engrossed.

Senate Bill No. 39:

To be entitled an act prescribing the number of jurors in county courts,

Was read.

The Committee on Judiciary made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., Jan. 13, 1885.

HON. M. H. MABRY,
President of the Senate :

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

Senate Bill No. 39, to be entitled an act prescribing the number of jurors in county courts,

Beg leave to report that they have considered the same and recommend that it do pass with the following amendment to the title, to-wit: after the word "in" in the title, insert the following, viz: "*cases of forcible entry and unlawful detainer in.*"

Very Respectfully,

S. R. MALLORY,
Chairman Committee.

Amendment adopted and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

Senate bill No. 41:

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

Was read the second time and committee offered an amendment.

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, January 13, 1885.

HON. M. H. MABRY,
President of the Senate :

SIR: Your Committee on Corporations to whom was referred—

Senate bill No. 41, to be entitled an act to incorporate the Kissimmee City Street Railway Company,

Beg leave to report that having carefully considered the same, recommend that the bill do pass with the following amendment:

Amendment—Strike out Section 4.

Very respectfully,

CHAS. DELANO,
Chairman Committee.

Which was adopted, and bill as amended ordered to be engrossed.

Senate Bill No. 40:

To be entitled an act to legalize the corporation of the town of Kissimmee City and legalize its acts and doings,

Was read the second time and ordered to be engrossed.

Senate Bill No. 9:

To be entitled an act to amend Section 51, sub-Chapter 4 of Chapter 1637, being an act, approved August 6, 1868, Laws of Florida,

Was read.

The Judiciary Committee made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, Tallahassee, Fla., Jan. 13, 1885.

HON. M. H. MABRY,
President of the Senate :

SIR: Your Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 9, to be entitled an act to amend Section 51, sub-Chapter 4 of Chapter 1637, being an act, approved August 6, 1868, Laws of Florida,

Beg leave to report that they have had the same under consideration and recommend the adoption of the substitute herewith reported in lieu thereof.

Very respectfully,

S. R. MALLORY, Chairman.

The substitute was then read and ordered to be passed over. The President handed to the Secretary the following invitation:

To the Honorable the President and Members of the Senate of the State of Florida:

GENTLEMEN—The officers of the Grand Division Sens of

Temperance of Florida, together with the members of Floral City Division, No. 50, do hereby tender your honorable body a cordial invitation to be present at a public meeting to be held this evening, in the Baptist Church of this city, at 7 o'clock.

JAMES M. FAIRLIE, Grand Scribe.

J. B. COLLINS, Grand Deputy.

JANUARY 15, 1885.

Which was read.

Mr. Stripling moved that the invitation be accepted;

Which was agreed to.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The following bills were introduced:

By Mr. Delano:

Senate Bill No. 54:

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

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

By Mr. Stripling:

Senate Bill No. 55:

To be entitled an act to regulate proceedings before Justices of the Peace in criminal cases;

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

Mr. Mann moved to adjourn until 10 o'clock to-morrow.

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

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Burnam, Chandler, Cottrell, Hankins, Lesley, Mann, Mountien and Proctor—9.

Nays—Messrs. Cooper, Crill, Delano, Gaskins, Jones, Lee, Mallory, Neel, Orman, Roberts, Samms, Sheppard, Speer, Stripling and Williams—15.

So the motion was lost.

Mr. Baker moved to go into executive session:

Motion prevailed.

Doors opened.

Mr. Baker offered the following:

Resolved, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be instructed to provide comfortable seats outside the bar for the accommodation of visitors, and twelve additional chairs for use inside of the bar;

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Martin, the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

CONFIRMATIONS.

JANUARY 9, 1885.

Geo. G. McWhorter, to be Chief Justice Supreme Court.

A. J. Russell, to be Superintendent of Public Instruction.

W. H. Milton, to be State Attorney for First Judicial Circuit.

E. C. Love, to be State Attorney for Second Judicial Circuit.

Geo. W. Epperson, to be Sheriff for Bradford county.

J. W. Vanbuskirk, to be Sheriff for Baker county.

J. P. Galloway, to be Sheriff for Sumter county.

J. L. Bryan, to be County Judge for Orange county.

F. T. Hardeman, to be Collector of Revenue of Orange county.

JANUARY 10, 1885.

Geo. P. Raney, to be Associate Justice Supreme Court.

Wm. D. Barnes, to be Comptroller of the State of Florida.

David Lang, to be Adjutant-General of the State of Florida.

R. G. Baker, to be County Judge of Franklin county.

J. G. Webb, to be County Judge of Manatee county.

Warren F. Scott, to be Collector of Revenue of Nassau county.

H. E. Carlton, to be Collector of Revenue of Manatee county.

Thos. Gordon, to be Harbor Master for the port of Apalachicola.

JANUARY 13, 1885.

S. A. Parramore, to be Sheriff for Madison county.

Robert M. Witherspoon, to be County Judge for Madison county.

Thomas T. Ellison, to be Assessor of Taxes for Madison county.

R. F. Hosford, to be County Judge for Liberty county.

A. J. Wooldridge, to be Clerk of the Circuit Court for Liberty county.

F. D. Perry, to be Sheriff for Liberty county.

J. H. Lee, to be Collector of Revenue for Hamilton county.

James W. Bumseal, to be Collector of Revenue for Baker county.

James Stephens, to be Collector of Revenue for Levy county.

D. C. Hull, to be Assessor of Taxes for Sumter county.

William M. Brown, to be County Judge of Hamilton county.

J. F. McDonnell, to be Judge of Levy county.

Wm. H. Bingham, to be Sheriff for Levy county.
R. E. Williams, to be Collector of Revenue for Holmes county.

WEDNESDAY, January 14, 1885.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the Chair.

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

Messrs. Baker, Bryson, Burnam, Chandler, Cole, Cooper, Cottrell, Crill, Delano, Gaskins, Hankins, Hendricks, Jones, Landrum, Lee, Lesley, Mallory, Mann, Martin, Mountien, McKinne, Neel, Orman, Proctor, Roberts, Sammis, Sheppard, Speer, Stripling Whidden and Williams—31.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

READING OF THE JOURNAL.

On motion of Mr. Martin, the further reading of the journal was dispensed with.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Martin:

Senate Bill No. 56:

To be entitled an act relating to the question of changing the seat of Government of the State of Florida from Tallahassee to Gainesville, Alachua county, Florida;

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to Committee on Legislative Expenses.

By Mr. Bryson:

Senate Bill No. 57:

To be entitled an act to prohibit dealers in general merchandise from selling drugs and medicines in any incorporated town where there is a regular drug store;

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Speer:

Senate Bill No. 58:

To be entitled an act to make an appropriation to aid Florida's exhibit at the World's Exposition at New Orleans;

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also,

Senate Bill No. 59:

To be entitled an act to confirm the organization of the Jacksonville and Atlantic Railroad Company and enlarge its powers;

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Railroads and Telegraphs.

Also,

Senate Bill No. 60:

To be entitled an act to create a body corporate and politic, under the name and style of "The Trustees of the Preachers' Relief Fund" of the Florida Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South;

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. McKinne:

Senate Bill No. 61:

To be entitled an act in relation to Railroads in this State and provide a remedy for Railroads which have been deteriorated, and to appoint a receiver;

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

By Mr. Delano:

Senate Bill No. 62:

To be entitled an act to amend Section 11 of an act entitled an act to provide for the creation of corporations and to prescribe their general powers and liabilities, approved August 8, 1868;

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Delano:

Senate Bill No. 63:

To be entitled an act to grant additional powers and privileges to the Palatka and Indian River Railway Company;

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to Committee on Railroads and Telegraphs.

By Mr. Mallory:

Senate Bill No. 64:

To be entitled an act to regulate the issue and return of executions;

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

By Mr. Stripling:

Senate Bill No. 65:

To be entitled an act to create a Superintendent of the Penitentiary and to prescribe his duties;