

THREE O'CLOCK P. M.

The Senate resumed its session.

The President in the Chair.

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

Mr. President, Messrs. Bailey 22d District, Bielby, Brett, Bryant, Crosby, Dismukes, Hammond, Hendry, Hind, Jenkins, Kirk, King, Pirrong, Randell, Rogers, Rosborough, Smith, Stapleton, Swearingen, Tompkins, Wilkinson and Yancey—23.

A quorum present.

The President announced the following committee :

Committee to Visit St. Augustine.

SENATORS KING, HIND,
YANCEY, SMITH.
STAPLETON.

Mr. King moved that Senator Smith be added to the committee to visit the Deaf and Dumb Institute ;

Which was agreed to, and the addition made.

The President announced the following committee :

On Census and Apportionment.

Senator YANCEY, Chairman.

SENATORS RANDELL, HIND,
PARKHILL, HOUSTOUN.

Mr. Hammond moved that the Senate go into executive session ;

Which was agreed to.

The doors were closed and the Senate went into executive session.

The doors were opened.

Mr. Yancy offered the following resolution :

Be it resolved, That one hundred copies of the Constitution be printed in pamphlet form for the use of the Senate.

Mr. Yancy moved that the resolution be adopted ;

Which was agreed to.

So the resolution was adopted.

A message was received from the House of Representatives and the accompanying documents were placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Randall moved that the courtesies of the Senate be extended to Capt. Mathews and to Mr. C. W. Stevens ;

Which was agreed to, and Capt. Mathews and Mr. Stevens were invited within the bar of the Senate.

A committee from the House appeared and announced that the Hon. A. P. Baskin had been elected Speaker *pro tem.* of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Yancey moved that the Senate adjourn until 10 o'clock to morrow morning ;

Which was agreed to.

The Senate stood so adjourned.

FRIDAY, APRIL 5th, 1889.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the Chair.

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

Mr. President, Messrs. Bailey, of 22d, Bielby, Brett, Bryant, Coulter, Crosby, Dismukes, Dunn, Hammond, Hendry, Hind, Houstoun, Jenkins, Kirk, King, Pirrong, Randell, Rogers, Rosborough, Smith, Stapleton, Swearingen, Tompkins, Wilkinson and Yancey—26.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The Secretary proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding day.

The Journal was corrected and approved.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS.

By Mr. Swearingen :

Senate Resolution No. 12 :

Relating to dispensing with the reading of the daily Journal.

By Mr. Houstoun :

Senate Resolution No. 13 :

Relating to the appointment of a committee to inquire into the forfeiture of charter rights of the railroads.

The Sergeant-at Arms was excused until Monday morning.
Senator Parkhill was excused for the day.

Mr. Swearingen moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Resolution No. 12 be read ;

Which was agreed to.

The resolution was read as follows :

Resolved, That after to-morrow, the 6th inst., the reading of the daily Journal shall be dispensed with, unless by special request of Senators.

Mr. Rogers moved its adoption.

Which was agreed to and the Resolution adopted.

Mr. Bryant moved that 200 copies of list of standing committees be printed ;

Which was agreed to.

Senate Resolution No. 13 was read :

Be it Resolved by the Senate, That a Committee of three be appointed to ascertain how many railroads, if any, have by non compliance with their charters, forfeited any of their rights or privileges, and to report the result of their investigations to the Senate as early as practicable.

Mr. Houstoun moved its adoption ;

Which was agreed to.

So the resolution was adopted.

By request of Senator Hammond the following was read for the information of the Senate :

Copy of a resolution adopted March 6th, 1889, by the Jacksonville Board of Trade.

Resolved, That in view of the fact that the Paris Universal Exposition of 1889 promises to be the greatest industrial exposition that the world has ever seen, and our National Government having officially recognized the same and appropriated \$200,000 for participation in it, and a State Commission having been appointed by the Governor, the Legislature is hereby most urgently requested to appropriate not less than \$5,000, to be expended by the State Commissioners for the production and maintenance of an exhibit illustrating Florida's resources and attractions.

J. E. HART, President.

CHAS. H. SMITH, Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Hammond it was referred to Committee on Appropriations.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Coulter :

Senate Bill No. 9 :

To be entitled an act for the protection of game, wild birds and birds of song and plumage ;

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Judiciary Committee : also,

Senate Bill No. 10 :

To be entitled an act to prescribe the per diem of jurors and witnesses in the Circuit Courts ;

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

By Mr. King :

Senate Bill No. 11 :

To be entitled an act to amend section five (5) of an act entitled an act regulating the sale of beef under circumstances therein provided for, Chapter 3613, Laws of Florida, approved February 16, 1885 ;

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

By Mr. Rogers :

Senate Bill No. 12 :

To be entitled an act to amend and regulate the practice and pleadings of the Circuit Courts in divorce proceedings ;

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

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS.

Senate Concurrent resolution No 8 was read as follows :

Be it Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring, That a committee of three (3) from the Senate, five (5) from the House, be appointed to visit the Insane Asylum of the State of Florida, to investigate its condition, record and management and report to this Legislature.

By consent Mr. Stapleton withdrew the resolution.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read :

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., April 4th, 1889. }

HON. J. B. WALL,

President of the Senate :

SIR: I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—
House Concurrent Resolution No. 2:

Relative to the appointment of a committee to investigate and report as to the condition of the convicts of the State ; also,

House Joint Resolution No 5 :

Relative to appointment of committee to visit the State Insane Asylum.

Very Respectfully,

B. R. MILAM,

Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

House Joint Resolution No 5 :

Relating to the appointment of a committee to visit the Insane Asylum was read.

Mr. Stapleton moved that the Senate concur in the resolution ;

Which was agreed to.

So the Senate concurred in House Joint Resolution No. 5.

The President appointed the following committee :

Committee to Visit Asylum—Senator Stapleton, chairman ; Senators Dunn and Dismukes.

House Resolution No. 2 :

Relating to the appointment of a committee to visit the convicts of this State,

Was read.

Mr. Rogers moved its adoption ;

Which was agreed to.

The following message from the House was read :

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., April 4th, 1889 }

HON. J. B. WALL,

President of the Senate :

SIR : I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Concurrent Resolution No. 0, as follows :

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That a committee of five, three from the House of Representatives and two from the Senate, be appointed respectively by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate, to visit the State Agricultural College at Lake City, and inquire into its status, and make such report as they, in their judgment, deem proper.

Very respectfully,

B. R. MILAM,

Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Bailey, 22d District, moved that the Senate do not concur in House Resolution No. 0, relative to the appointment of a committee to visit the State Agricultural College at Lake City ;

Which did not prevail.

Mr. Dunn moved that the Senate concur in the resolution ; Mr. Dunn withdrew the motion to concur ; Mr. Kirk moved to refer the resolution to the Committee on Education ;

Which was not agreed to

Mr. Yancey moved that the Senate do now concur ;

Which was agreed to.

The President appointed as a committee from the Senate to act with the committee from the House, to visit the State Agricultural College at Lake City, Senators Rogers and Tompkins.

The following message from the House was read :

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., April 4, 1889. }

HON. J. B. WALL,

President of the Senate :

SIR : I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has concurred in—

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4 :

Relating to the appointment of a committee of two from the Senate and three from the House to examine the records and accounts of the land office, and that Messrs. Gunn, Morgan and Norwood are appointed a committee on part of the House to act with the Committee of the Senate ; also

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1 :

Relating to appointment of a committee of both Houses to investigate the Treasurer's and Comptroller's accounts and books, and appointed Messrs. Baltzell and Stapler as House Committee.

Very respectfully,

B. R. MILAM,

Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Kirk moved that Messrs. Appleyard, of Orange, Blackburn, of DeSoto, Sparkman, of Hillsborough, and Alexander, of DeLand, be invited to seats within the bar of the Senate ;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Rogers, Chairman of the Committee on Agriculture submitted the following report :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., April 5, 1889. }

HON. J. B. WALL,

President of the Senate ;

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

Senate Bills Nos. 3 and 4 :

Beg leave to report they have had the same under consideration, and ask that three hundred copies each of said bills be printed for the use of the Senate.

Very respectfully,
ROBT. F. ROGERS,
Chairman Committee.

Mr. Bryant moved that the report be adopted and the order made;

Which was agreed to.

So the report was adopted.

The President announced the following committees:

Committee to Investigate Railroads—Senator Houston, Chairman; Senators Hammond and Swearingen.

Committee to investigate Conveyance of Internal Improvement Lands—Senator Pirrong, Chairman; Senators Yancey and Bielby.

The following confirmations were announced:

CONFIRMATIONS.

W. H. Milton, to be State Attorney for the 1st Judicial Circuit of Florida.

E. C. Love, to be State Attorney for the 2d Judicial Circuit of Florida.

T. A. McDonell, to be State Attorney for the 4th Judicial Circuit of Florida.

J. D. Beggs, to be State Attorney for the 7th Judicial Circuit of Florida.

Mr. Hind moved that the Senate take a recess until 3 o'clock P. M.;

Which was agreed to.

So the Senate took a recess.

THREE O'CLOCK P. M.

The Senate resumed its session.

The President in the Chair.

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

Mr. President, Messrs. Bailey of 22d District, Bielby, Brett, Bryant, Coulter, Crosby, Dismukes, Dunn, Hammond, Hendry, Hind, Houston, Jenkins, Kirk, King, Parkhill, Pirrong, Randell, Rogers, Rosborough, Smith, Stapleton, Swearingen, Tompkins, Wilkinson and Yancey—27.

A quorum present.

The Journal of the 3d inst. was authorized to be corrected so as to show that Messrs. Rosborough and Dunn were appointed by the President as a committee to act with a com-

mittee from the House to examine the records and accounts of the Land Office, authorized by Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4, which passed the Senate on April 3, 1889.

Mr. Kirk moved that the Senator from the 22d District be excused till to morrow morning;

Which was agreed to.

The Senator was excused.

Mr. Rogers moved that the courtesies of the Senate be extended to Mr. W. D. Holden;

Which was agreed to.

The courtesy was extended.

Mr. Houston moved that 200 copies of Senate Bill No. 2 be printed;

Which was agreed to.

The order was made.

Mr. Hammond moved that the committee appointed to investigate the forfeiture of all railroad grants be excused for the afternoon;

Which was agreed to.

The committee was excused from further attendance upon the afternoon session.

By permission Mr. Yancey introduced

Senate Bill No. 14:

To be entitled an act to provide for and regulate the payment of costs and expenses in certain cases of criminal prosecutions by the State;

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

Mr. Bielby moved to waive the rules and that all bills introduced to-day and hereafter during this session shall be read the first time by their titles only, unless otherwise ordered by the Senate;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

By permission Mr. Rosborough introduced

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. —:

Relating to appointment of a committee to visit the East Florida Seminary at Gainesville.

Mr. Rosborough moved the adoption of the resolution;

Which was agreed to.

So the resolution was adopted.

By Mr. Hind:

Senate Bill No. 15:

To be entitled an act for the greater security of the moneys of the State and Internal Improvement Fund,

Was read first time by its title and referred to Committee on Finance and Taxation.

The Secretary of the Senate appeared and reported that the

House of Representatives had refused to receive a message from the Senate, because it was not addressed to the Speaker *pro tem*.

Mr. Yancey moved that the President appoint a committee of three to confer with the Attorney-General immediately, upon the question raised by the refusal of the House to receive a communication from the Senate on account of its being addressed "to the Speaker of the House," while the Speaker *pro tem* is in the chair ;

Which was agreed to.

Messrs. Yancey, Rogers and Bielby were appointed as said committee.

Mr. Dunn moved that the Senate takes a recess for ten minutes to await the report of the committee ;

Which was agreed to.

So the Senate took a recess.

The Senate resumed its session.

Mr. Yancey asked that the committee appointed to confer with the Attorney-General, finding him absent from his office, be continued ;

Which was granted.

The President appointed Messrs. Kirk and Yancey as a committee on part of the Senate to act with the committee of the House to examine the Comptroller's and Treasurer's books under Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1.

Mr. Hind moved that the Senate adjourn until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning ;

Which was agreed to.

The Senate stood so adjourned.

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SATURDAY, APRIL 6th, 1889.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

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

Mr. President, Messrs. Bielby, Brett, Bryant, Coulter, Crosby, Dismukes, Dunn, Hammond, Hendry, Hind, Houstoun, Jenkins, Kirk, King, Parkhill, Pirrong, Randell, Rosborough, Schumacher, Smith, Stapleton, Swearingen, Tompkins, Wilkinson and Yancey—26.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Yancey moved that the courtesies of the Senate be extended to Mr. Percy Jackson, of Orlando ;
Which was agreed to and the courtesy extended.
The Journal was corrected and approved.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS.

By Mr. Randell :

Senate Joint Resolution No. 15 :

Relating to paying assessors for services rendered in the taking of the census for A. D. 1885.

Mr. Randell moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Joint Resolution No. 15 be read the first time by its title ;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote and the resolution was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Randell moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Joint Resolution No. 15 be read the second time ;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote and the resolution read the second time.

On motion of Mr. Randell, the rules were waived by a two-thirds vote and Senate Joint Resolution No. 15 was read the third time and put upon its passage.

Upon the passage of Senate Joint Resolution No. 15 the vote was :

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Bielby, Brett, Coulter, Crosby, Dismukes, Dunn, Hammond, Hendry, Hind, Houstoun, Jenkins, Kirk, King, Parkhill, Pirrong, Randell, Rosborough, Schumacher, Smith, Stapleton, Swearingen, Tompkins, Wilkinson and Yancey—25.

Nays—None.

So Senate Joint Resolution No. 15 passed, title as stated.

Mr. Houstoun moved that the courtesies of the Senate be extended to D. Hawkins, of Leon, and Judge Lawrence, of Boston, Mass ;

Which was agreed to and the courtesy extended.

Mr. Hind offered Senate Resolution No. 16, which, on motion of Mr. Hind, was read as follows :

That the Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate place on Senator's desk the reports of the Cabinet Officers and of the Railroad Commissioners.

Mr. Hind moved its adoption ;

Which was agreed to and the Resolution was adopted as read.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Dunn :

Senate Bill No. 13 :

To be entitled an act to exempt yachts used and employed exclusively as pleasure vessels from compulsory pilotage ;