

By permission, Mr. Dunn introduced—

Senate Bill No. 22:

To be entitled an act to continue the rights, privileges and grants of the Silver Springs, Ocala and Gulf Railroad Company;

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

By Mr. Tuten:

Senate Bill No. 23:

To be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to punish anyone who sells, pledges or mortgages property subject to a statutory lien, with intent to defraud the lien holders, also to punish anyone who buys or receives such property with like intent;

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

Also,

Senate Bill No. 24:

To be entitled an act to repeal an act to suppress gambling houses and gambling;

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

On motion of Mr. Parkhill, the courtesies of the Senate chamber were extended to Mr. John E. Grady, of Apalachicola.

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

Which was agreed to.

The Senate stood so adjourned.

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TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 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 District, Bailey, of 16th District, Bielby, Brett, Bryant, Crosby, Dismukes, Drake, Dunn, Hammond, Hendry, Hind, Houston, Jenkins, Kirk,

Parkhill, Pirrong Rogers, Rosborough, Schumacher, Smith, Swearingen, Tompkins, Tuten, Wilkison and Yancey—27.

A quorum pre-ent.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The Journal was corrected and approved.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Dunn offered the following resolution:

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida, That the Comptroller and Treasurer are hereby requested to report to the Senate, at their earliest convenience, the amount of uncollected taxes and licenses due the State, and from what counties, corporations or other sources the same are due.

Mr. Hind moved that the resolution be adopted;

Which was agreed to and the Resolution adopted.

Mr. Hind offered Senate Joint Resolution No. 18, to authorize the Comptroller to cancel certain tax sale certificates.

On motion of Mr. Hind the rules were waived by a two-thirds vote, and Senate Joint Resolution No. 18 was read the first time by its title;

On motion of Mr. Hind the rules were further waived by a two-thirds vote, and Senate Joint Resolution No. 18 was read the second time;

On motion of Mr. Hind the rules were again waived by a two-thirds vote, and Senate Joint Resolution No. 18 was read the third time and put upon its passage;

Upon the passage of Senate Joint Resolution No. 18, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Bailey of 22d District, Bailey of 16th District, Bielby, Brett, Bryant, Crosby, Drake, Dunn, Hammond, Hendry, Hind, Houston, Jenkins, Kirk, Parkhill, Pirrong, Randell, Rogers, Schumacher, Smith, Swearingen, Tompkins, Tuten, Wilkinson and Yancey—26.

Nays—None.

So Senate Joint Resolution No. 18 to authorize the Comptroller to cancel certain tax sale certificates, passed, title as stated.

A message from the House of Representatives was received.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Hammond:

Senate Bill No. 25:

To be entitled an act to provide for the appointment of a State Inspector of Fertilizers ;

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

By Mr. Jenkins :
Senate Bill No. 26 :

To be entitled an act to amend section one of an act 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.

By Mr. Tuten :
Senate Bill No. 27 :

To be entitled an act to exempt widows from taxation on their homesteads ;

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

By Mr. Hammond :
Senate Bill No. 28 :

To be entitled an act to amend section 7, Chapter 140, Laws of Florida ;

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

CONSIDERATION OF MESSAGES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read :

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., April 8th, 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. 14, resolution accompanying.

Very respectfully,

B. R. MILAM,
Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Mr. Hammond, chairman of the Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report :

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., April 9th, 1889. }

HON. J. B. WALL,

President of the Senate :

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

Senate Bill No. 1 :

Entitled " A bill to be entitled ' An act to provide for the working and maintaining of the public roads and bridges in this State, and for the creating of the office of Superintendent of public roads, ' "

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report favorably thereon, with this amendment, to-wit: Strike out the whole of section 7 ; also,

Favorably on Senate Bill No. 7, entitled " A bill to be entitled ' An act to prescribe the times and places for holding the Circuit Courts of the Seventh Judicial Circuit. ' "

Very respectfully,

E. M. HAMMOND,
Chairman Committee.

Also the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., April 9th 1889. }

HON. J. B. WALL,

President of the Senate :

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

Senate Bill No. 9 :

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

Have had the same under consideration and report favorably thereon,

Also, favorably on Senate Bill No. 8, to be entitled " An act

to prescribe the per diem of jurors and witnesses in the Circuit Court."

Also, unfavorably on Senate Bill No. 12, to be entitled "An act to amend and regulate the practice and pleadings of the Circuit Courts in divorce proceedings.

Very respectfully,

E. M. HAMMOND,
Chairman Committee.

Also the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., April 9, 1889.

HON. J. B. WALL,

President of the Senate :

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

Senate Bill No. 11 :

Entitled: A bill 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 ;"

Have had the same under consideration and report favorably thereon, with the following amendments, to-wit :

Substitute the following for section two (2) of said chapter 3613, Laws of Florida :

"SEC. 2. That it shall be the duty of the County Commissioners to appoint a clerk for such market or place where such beef is offered, who shall be sworn, by any officer authorized to administer oaths, whose duty it shall be to inspect the ears and hides of all beef brought to such market, and shall keep a true and correct record of all marks, brands, colors, of such ears and hides, including a diagram of said marks and brands, as well as a description in words; and on the 30th day of each month shall place all such records in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, subject to inspection at all times; *Provided*, that in no case shall there be more than one such clerk in any election district."

Also, strike out section two (2) of said Senate Bill No. 11. to-wit: That this shall go into effect immediately upon

its approval by the Governor.

Very respectfully,

E. M. HAMMOND,
Chairman Committee.

On motion of Mr. Schumacher, Hons. Porcher L'Engle, A. Doggett and A. M. Barrs were invited within the bar of the Senate.

Mr. Rogers moved that Senate Bill No. 12 :

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

Be recommitted to the Judiciary Committee ;

Which was agreed to and the bill so referred.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Senate Bill No. 1 :

To be entitled an act to provide for the working and maintaining of the public roads and bridges in this State, and for the creating of the office of Superintendent of Public Roads,

Was read the second time.

Also the following amendment offered by the Judiciary Committee was read :

Strike out Section 7.

Mr. Bryant moved that the report of the Committee be adopted.

Mr. Swearingen offered as a substitute that 100 copies of Senate Bill No. 1, as amended by the committee, be printed, and that the bill remain on its second reading ;

Which was agreed to, and the order made.

The courtesy of the Senate was extended to Capt. Fenwick Taylor, Rev. N. B. Quarterman, Col. Burbridge and Major C. R. Bisbee.

Senate Bill No. 7 :

To be entitled an act to prescribe the time and places for holding the Circuit Court of the Seventh Judicial Circuit Court,

Was read the second time.

On motion of Mr. Hammond, the rules were waived by a two-thirds vote and Senate Bill No. 7 was read the third time and put upon its passage.

Upon the passage of the bill, the vote was:

Mr. President, Messrs. Bailey of 22d District, Bailey of 16th District, Bielby, Brett, Bryant, Coulter, Crosby, Dismukes, Drake, Dunn, Hammond, Hendry, Hind, Houston, Jenkins, Kirk, Parkhill, Randell, Rogers, Rosborough, Schumacher, Smith, Swearingen, Tompkins, Tuten, Wilkinson and Yancey—28.

Nays—None.

A message was received from the House of Representatives. The courtesy of the Senate was extended to Messrs. T. O. Summers and T. E. Buckman, of Jacksonville, on motion of Mr. Schumacher.

The courtesy of the Senate was also extended to Messrs. J. H. T. Bynum, Clerk Circuit Court, J. J. Robinson, Tax Collector, George Wolfe, Tax Assessor, and G. Potsdamer, Sheriff, all of Suwannee county, on motion of Mr. Rogers.

Senate Bill No. 9:

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

Was read the second time.

Mr. Hind moved that Senate Bill No. 9 remain on its second reading and that one hundred copies of same be printed;

Which was agreed to, and the order made.

On motion of Mr. Hind the rules were waived by a two-thirds vote, and the Secretary ordered to certify Senate Joint Resolution No. 18 to the House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 10:

To be entitled an act to prescribe the *per diem* of jurors and witnesses in the Circuit Court,

Was read the second time.

On motion of Mr. Coulter, Senate Bill No. 10 was read the third time under the suspension of the rules by a two-thirds vote and put upon its passage;

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 10, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Bailey of 16th District, Bielby, Bryant, Coulter, Crosby, Dismukes, Drake, Dunn, Hammond, Hendry, Houston, Jenkins, Kirk, Parkhill, Pirrong, Randell, Rogers, Rosborough, Schumacher, Smith, Swearingen, Tompkins, Wilkinson and Yancey—25.

Nays—Mr. Tuten—1

So Senate Bill No. 10, to be entitled an act to prescribe the *per diem* of jurors and witnesses in the Circuit Court, passed, title as stated.

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 in chapter 3613, Laws of Florida, approved February 16, 1885,

Was read second time, and by consent remained on its second reading to permit the Judiciary Committee to attach amendment to the same.

A message was received from the House of Representatives.

The courtesy of the Senate, on motion of Mr. Schumacher, was extended to Hons. P. McQuaid and J. P. Taliaferro.

Also, on motion of Mr. Houston, the courtesy was extended to Mr. B. A. Meginniss, of Leon.

By permission Mr. Rogers introduced

Senate Bill No. 29:

To be entitled an act to establish a seal for the office of the Commissioner of Agriculture for the State of Florida;

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

Also,

Senate Bill No. 30:

To be entitled an act making the certificates of the Commissioner of Agriculture receivable in evidence;

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

By permission, Senator Hammond introduced.

Senate Bill No. 31:

To be entitled an act to provide for levies upon and sale of stock in corporations;

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

Also,

Senate Bill No. 32:

To be entitled an act relating to the cancelation of mortgages;

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

On motion of Mr. Yancey the Committee on City and County Organization, was empowered to employ a clerk.

Mr. Hind moved that messages from the House be taken up for consideration; which was agreed to, and the following message from the House of Representatives was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., April 8th, 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 Bill No. 4.

An act to amend an act entitled an act to establish the municipality of Jacksonville, provide for its government and prescribe its jurisdiction and powers, approved May 31, 1887.

Very respectfully,

B. R. MILAM,

Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Yancey moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 4 be read the first time by its title, and that it be referred to Committee on City and County organization;

Which was agreed to, and House Bill No. 4, an act to amend an act entitled an act to establish the municipality of Jacksonville, provide for its government, and prescribe its jurisdiction and powers, approved May 31, 1887, was read the first time by its title and so referred.

Mr. Bielby moved that the Senate take a recess to 4 o'clock.

Which was agreed to.

So the Senate took a recess.

CONFIRMATIONS.

Cecil G. Butt, to be Judge of the Criminal Court of Record of Orange county, Florida.

J. H. Murphy, to be County Solicitor of the Criminal Court of Record of Orange county, Florida.

Moses Christmas, to be County Commissioner in and for District One for Jackson county.

Adam McNealy, to be County Commissioner in and for District Two for Jackson county.

W. H. Taylor, to be County Commissioner in and for District Three for Jackson county.

Alfred Nichols, to be County Commissioner in and for District Four for Jackson county.

G. W. Yarborough, to be County Commissioner in and for District Five for Jackson county.

E. C. Dunklin, to be County Commissioner for Citrus County, in and for District 1.

A. E. Willard, to be County Commissioner for Citrus county, in and for District 2.

J. T. Landrum, to be County Commissioner for Citrus county, in and for District 3.

M. T. Zellner, to be County Commissioner for Citrus county, in and for District 4.

J. D. Spooner, to be County Commissioner for Citrus County, in and for District 5.

J. M. Hedick, to be County Commissioner in and for District 1 for Hernando county.

C. C. Keathley, to be County Commissioner in and for District 2 for Hernando county.

Wm. E. Hope, to be County Commissioner in and for District 3 for Hernando county.

A. Church Croom, to be County Commissioner in and for District 4 for Hernando county.

W. H. Lane, to be County Commissioner in and for District 5 for Hernando county.

H. W. Coleman, to be County Commissioner in and for District 1 for Pasco county.

J. H. Pedrick, to be County Commissioner in and for District 2 for Pasco county.

E. A. Hill, to be County Commissioner in and for District 3 for Pasco county.

J. W. Jackson, to be County Commissioner in and for District 4 for Pasco county.

J. A. Smith, to be County Commissioner in and for District 5 for Pasco county.

FOUR 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, Bailey 16th District, Brett, Coulter, Crosby, Drake, Hardee, Hendry, Hind, Houston, Jenkins, Kirk, Pirrong, Randell, Rosborough, Smith, Swearingen, Tompkins and Wilkinson—20.

A quorum present.

By permission Mr. Wall introduced Senate Bill No. 33:

To be entitled an act providing for the contest of wills before the same are probated;

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

A message was received from the Governor.

By Mr. Hind:

Senate Bill No. 34:

To be entitled an act providing against trapping, snaring or killing of certain birds and animals, or offering the same for sale during certain seasons, and providing for the appointment of Game Commissioners;

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

On motion of Mr. Hendry the Senate went into executive session.

The doors were closed

The doors were opened.

Senator Drake offered:

Senate Memorial No. 1:

Asking Congress for a weekly mail route from Macclenny to Johnsonville, in Baker county, Florida;

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Hind moved that the rules be waived and that the Senate take action upon the Memorial at once;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Mr. Hind moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Memorial No. 1 be read the second time;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

The Memorial was read the second time.

On motion of Mr. Hind, the rules were further waived and the Memorial read the third time and put upon its passage.

Upon the passage of the Memorial, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Bailey of 22d District, Bailey of 16th District, Brett, Coulter, Crosby, Drake, Hammond, Hardee, Hendry, Hind, Houston, Jenkins, Kirk, Pirrong, Randell, Rogers, Rosborough, Smith, Swearingen, Tompkins and Wilkinson—22.

Nays—None.

So Senate Memorial No. 1 passed, title as stated.

Mr. Hendry 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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WEDNESDAY, April 10th, 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, Bailey of 16th, Bielby, Brett, Bryant, Coulter, Crosby, Dismukes, Dunn, Hammond, Hardee, Hendry, Houston, Jenkins, Kirk, Parkhill, Pirrong, Randell, Rogers, Rosborough, Schumacher, Swearingen, Tompkins, Tuten and Wilkinson—26.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The Journal was corrected and approved.

The Committee on Railroads and Telegraphs were excused from the morning session.