

Mr. Bielby arose to a question of privilege, stating that the minority did not make a report because they did not deem it necessary, but that he differed from the majority report of the committee upon House Bill No. 89.

The yeas and nays on the motion to table were called for.

The following was the vote:

Yeas— Messrs. Bryant, Coulter, Hendry, Hind, Jenkins, King, Pirrong, Swearingen, Tuten and Wilkinson—10.

Nays—Messrs. Bailey 22d District, Bailey 16th District, Bielby, Dismukes, Drake, Dunn, Hammond, Hardee, Houstoun, Kirk, Randell, Schumacher, Smith, Stapleton and Yancey—15.

So the motion to table was lost.

The motion to reconsider was agreed to.

Mr. Dunn moved that Dr. Gaskins, Commissioner General to Paris, be invited to address the Senate upon the matter of the appropriation for the Paris Exposition;

Which was agreed to.

Messrs. Dunn and Yancey were appointed a committee to wait upon Commissioner-General Gaskins and extend the invitation.

Mr. Tuten moved that the Senate go into Executive Session;

Which was agreed to.

The doors were closed.

The doors were opened.

The special hour for the consideration of—

Senate Bill No. 45:

To be entitled an act to provide for the appointment of a County Board of Health in and for the several counties of the State of Florida,

Having arrived, Mr. Dunn moved that the further consideration of said bill be deferred, and that it be made the special order for Monday, 22d inst., at 11 o'clock A. M.;

Which was agreed to, and the special order fixed.

Messrs. Dunn and Yancey, the committee appointed to invite Commissioner-General Gaskins to address the Senate, appeared at the bar of the Senate and introduced General Gaskins, who, being invited to the President's stand, made a forcible address upon the importance of Florida being represented at Paris.

By permission, Mr. Schumacher introduced—

Senate Bill No. 99:

To be entitled an act to authorize the city of Jacksonville to issue bonds;

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on City and County Organization.

By permission, Mr. Hendry introduced—  
Memorial to Congress for the protection of the cattle interests of the United States;

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

Mr. Smith moved that the Senate adjourn until 10 o'clock Monday morning next;

Which was agreed to.

The Senate stood so adjourned.

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MONDAY, APRIL 22d, 1889.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

President *pro tem.* Kirk in the Chair.

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

Messrs. Bailey of 16th, Bielby, Brett, Bryant, Coulter, Dismukes, Drake, Dunn, Hammond, Hardee, Hendry, Hind, Houstoun, Jenkins, Kirk, Parkhill, Pirrong, Randell, Schumacher, Smith, Stapleton, Swearingen, Wilkinson and Yancey—24.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The Journal was corrected and approved.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS AND MEMORIALS.

Mr. Coulter introduced—  
Memorial to Congress asking for the establishment of Fish Hatcheries;

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

Mr. Schumacher introduced—  
Remonstrance of County Commissioners of Duval county against the passage of—

Senate Bill No. 35:

A bill to be entitled an act to change the boundary between the counties of Baker and Duval;

Which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on City and County Organization.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Coulter :

Senate Bill No. 100 :

To be entitled an act to promote and encourage the culture of oysters, and the industry of oyster farming and to protect persons engaged in the same,

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

By Mr. Drake :

Senate Bill No. 101 :

A bill to be entitled an act to define the legal time in the State of Florida,

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

By Mr. Dunn :

Senate Bill No. 102 :

An act to extend and enlarge the powers and duties of the Railroad Commissioners of the State of Florida, appointed under Chapter 3746 of the Laws of Florida, approved June 7th, 1887,

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

By Mr. Hendry :

Senate Bill No. 103 :

Authorizing the Internal Improvement Board to deed lands to certain public work,

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

By Mr. Kirk :

Senate Bill No. 104 :

To be entitled an act to punish employees of common carriers for the injury or destruction of baggage and freight,

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

By Mr. Parkhill :

Senate Bill No. 105 :

A bill to be entitled an act fixing the fees and compensation of the clerks of certain courts in this State for certain services,

Was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

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

SENATE CHAMBER,  
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., April 22, 1889. }

HON. J. B. WALL,

*President of the Senate :*

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

Senate Bill No. 28 :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 7, chapter 140, Laws of Florida,

Have had the same under consideration for correction of error in title; and having corrected the same, recommend that it do pass, as corrected.

Very respectfully,

E. M. HAMMOND,

Chairman Committee.

Also the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,  
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., April 22, 1889. }

HON. J. B. WALL,

*President of the Senate :*

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

Senate Bill No. 23 :

An act to repeal an act entitled an act to punish any one who sells, pledges or mortgages property subject to a statutory lien, with intent to defraud the lien-holder, also to punish any one who buys or receives such property with like intent; also

Senate Bill No. 47 :

A bill to be entitled an act authorizing the appointment of stenographers in the several Circuit Courts and Criminal Courts of this State; also,

Senate Bill No. 48 :

A bill to be entitled "An act to punish persons for breaking and entering a railroad car,"

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

Very respectfully,

E. M. HAMMOND,

Chairman of Committee.

Mr. Bailey, of 16th, Chairman of Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report :

SENATE CHAMBER,  
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., April 22, 1889. }

HON. J. B. WALL,

*President of the Senate :*

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

A bill to be entitled an act to establish a seal for the office of Commissioner of Agriculture of the State of Florida; also,

A bill to be entitled an act to constitute the Commissioner of Agriculture a member of the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of the State of Florida;

Beg leave to report that the same have been correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully

J. S. BAILEY,  
Chairman Committee.

Mr. Houstoun, Chairman of the Committee on Railroads and Telegraphs, submitted the following report :

SENATE CHAMBER,  
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., April 22, 1889. }

HON. J. B. WALL,

*President of the Senate :*

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

Senate Bill No. 2:

To be entitled an act to provide for the forfeiture of certain lands heretofore granted by the State of Florida for the purpose of aiding in the construction of railroads and cutting canals,

Beg leave to report that they have examined the same, and recommend its passage, with the following amendment:

Strike out all that portion of section 3 after the word grant, in line 26.

Very respectfully,

P. HOUSTOUN,  
Chairman Committee.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS ON THEIR SECOND READING.

House Bill No. 89:

To be entitled an act making appropriation for the purpose

of providing, maintaining and conducting a State exhibit at the Universal Exposition at Paris, France,

Was taken from its order on the calendar.

Mr. Hind moved that it be informally passed over until the return of Mr. Bailey of the 22d;

Which was agreed to, and House Bill No. 89 was informally passed over.

Senate Bill No. 92:

To be entitled an act to provide for the appointment of recorders in and for provisional municipalities and to define their jurisdiction and powers,

Was read the second time, and made the order for consideration at the special hour of 11 o'clock to-morrow.

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 the second time.

Mr. Hind moved that 200 copies of the bill be printed and that 4 o'clock this afternoon be made the special hour for its consideration;

Which was agreed to and the order was made.

Senate Bill No. 27:

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

Was passed over informally.

Senate Bill No. 71:

To be entitled an act to repeal an act to fix the license tax of stevedores,

Was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for its third reading.

Substitute for Senate Bill No. 21:

To be entitled an act to provide for an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Florida,

Was ordered to remain on its third reading and that 200 copies of the bill be printed.

The order was made.

Memorial to Congress:

To have appropriation for Orange Creek,

Was read the second time and ordered to be engrossed for its third reading.

Senate Bill No. 28:

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

Was read the second time.

Mr. Hammond moved that the amendments offered by the committee be adopted;

Which was agreed to and the amendments were adopted.

On motion of Mr. Hendry it remained on its second reading, and 200 copies ordered to be printed.

Senate Bill No. 48:

To be entitled an act to punish persons for breaking and entering a railroad car,

Was read the second time and ordered to be engrossed for its third reading.

Senate Bill No. 47:

To be entitled an act authorizing the employment of stenographers in the several Circuit Courts and Criminal Courts of the State,

Was read the second time.

On motion of Mr. Hind the bill remained on its second reading, and 200 copies were ordered printed.

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,

Was passed over informally.

Senate Bill No. 2:

To be entitled an act to provide for the forfeiture of certain lands heretofore granted by the State of Florida for the purpose of aiding in the construction of railroads and cutting canals,

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Hind moved that it remain on its second reading;

Which was agreed to, and Senate Bill No. 2 was so placed on the calendar.

#### CONSIDERATION OF BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 22:

Relating to the appointment of three citizens of this State to examine the oyster beds of this State,

Was read the third time.

Pending its consideration,

A message was received from the Governor.

Mr. Hind moved that Senate Joint Resolution No. 22 remain on its third reading;

Which was agreed to.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 26:

To amend the Constitution so as to provide for ten Circuit

Judges; also, to provide that the State shall be divided into ten judicial circuits,

Was read the third time,

And on motion of Mr. Bielby remained on its third reading.

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

Which was agreed to,

And the Senate went into executive session.

The doors were closed.

The doors were opened.

Mr. Swearingen offered the following resolution:

Amend Rule 4, governing executive sessions, by adding after "Secretary," "and Assistant Secretary."

Mr. Swearingen moved that the rules be waived and that the resolution be adopted.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote, and the resolution was adopted.

A message was received from the House of Representatives.

Mr. Randell moved to reconsider the vote by which 200 copies of Substitute for Senate Bill No. 21 was ordered to be printed;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Bielby moved that the bill be ordered to be engrossed. Which was agreed to, and the bill was again informally read for the information of the Senate.

The order for engrossment was reversed by consent, and the bill ordered to remain on its second reading.

On motion of Mr. Hind, ex-Senator Miller was invited with in the bar of the Senate.

By permission, Mr. Parkhill introduced—

Senate Bill No. 106:

To be entitled an act to extend the powers of the provisional municipality of Pensacola;

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

Mr. Parkhill requested that the Journal show that although he introduced the bill by request, he reserves the right to oppose its passage.

Mr. Yancey moved that the Senate take a recess until 4 o'clock, P. M.;

Which was agreed to.

So the Senate took a recess.

## CONFIRMATIONS.

W. D. Chipley, W. A. S. Wheeler, F. C. Brent, W. S. Keyser, J. M. Hilliard, to be Commissioners of the Provisional Municipality of Pensacola.

M. J. Fauria, to be County Commissioner for District One, Escambia county.

Alex. Grant, to be County Commissioner for District Two, Escambia county.

Charles M. Wilson, to be County Commissioner for District Three, Escambia county.

John A. McDavid, to be County Commissioner for District Four, Escambia county.

P. H. Williams, to be County Commissioner for District Five, Escambia county.

John J. Jelks, to be County Commissioner for District One, Hamilton county.

Wm. H. H. McLeod, to be County Commissioner for District Two, Hamilton county.

T. Albert Jennings, to be County Commissioner for District Three, Hamilton county.

Charles F. Cone, to be County Commissioner for District Four, Hamilton County.

John L. Parrish, to be County Commissioner for District Five, Hamilton County.

Bithaniel Faxes, to be County Commissioner for District One, Marion County.

Henry W. Long, to be County Commissioner for District Two, Marion County.

F. Stanton Perrin, to be County Commissioner for District Three, Marion County.

W. P. Williamson, to be County Commissioner for District Four, Marion County.

James F. Barron, to be County Commissioner for District Five, Marion County.

## FOUR O'CLOCK P. M.

The Senate resumed its session.

President *pro tem.* Kirk in the chair.

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

Messrs. Bailey of 22d, Bailey of 16th, Bielby, Brett; Dismukes, Hardee, Hendry, Hind, Jenkins, Kirk, Pirrong,

Randell, Schumacher, Smith, Stapleton, Swearingen, Tompkins and Wilkinson—18.

A quorum present.

Senate Bill No. 15:

To be entitled an act for the greater security of the moneys of the State and Improvement Fund having been made the special order for 4 o'clock P. M.,

Was taken up for consideration, and read the second time and ordered engrossed.

By permission Mr. Dunn introduced—

Senate Bill No. 107:

To be entitled an act prescribing the mode of procedure for the exercise of the powers of the eminent domain by cities and towns,

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

Mr. Dismukes moved that—

Senate Bill No. 21:

To be entitled an act to provide for an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Florida,

Be taken up for consideration;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote, and Senate Bill No. 21 was taken up.

Pending the consideration of which,

A message was received from the House of Representatives.

Mr. Dismukes offered the following amendment:

Amendment to Substitute Senate Bill No. 22: Amend by striking out all after the word "time," in line 30, in the amendment;

Which was adopted,

And Senate Bill No. 21 was ordered engrossed for its third reading.

Mr. Bryant moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 89 be taken up for consideration;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote, and—

House Bill No. 89:

To be entitled an act making an appropriation for the purpose of providing, maintaining and conducting a State exhibit at the Universal Exposition at Paris, France,

Was read the second time.

Mr. Bryant moved that it be indefinitely postponed.

On the motion to postpone the yeas and nays were called and the following was the vote:

Yeas—Messrs. Bailey 16th District, Brett, Bryant, Dismukes, Hardee, Hendry, Hind, Houstoun, Jenkins, Parkhill, Pirrong, Randell, Stapleton, Swearingen, Tompkins and Wilkinson—16.

Nays—Messrs. Bailey 22d District, Bielby, Dunn, Hammond, Kirk, Schumacher, Smith and Yancey—8.

So House Bill No. 89 was indefinitely postponed.

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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TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 1889.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

President *pro tem.* Kirk in the chair.

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

Messrs. Bailey of 22d District, Bailey of 16th District, Bielby, Brett, Bryant, Coulter, Dismukes, Drake, Dunn, Hammond, Hardee, Hendry, Hind, Houstoun, Kirk, Parkhill, Pirrong, Randell, Rosborough, Schumacher, Smith, Stapleton, Swearingen, Tompkins, Wilkinson and Yancey—26.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The Journal was corrected and approved.

Mr. Parkhill moved that the following communication be read:

Appropos to Senator Parkhill's attitude toward the bill, the following editorial leader appeared in the Pensacola News of this morning: "It strikes Senator Parkhill's constituency as rather singular that the gentleman should oppose the passage of the Jacksonville bill. Mr. Parkhill of Pensacola should regard with a more favoring eye a project to place Jacksonville in the admirable condition now enjoyed by Pensacola as an outcome of similar legislation. Mr. Parkhill, however, may have a perfect right to ignore the wishes of his constituents, but in so doing, he ceases to represent his constituency and should not be regarded as a representative of the people, who

entertain ideas in conflict with his own. The Senate may rest assured that prosperous, progressive, well-governed Pensacola is with her sister city of Jacksonville in the latter's effort for a better municipal administration."

Also the following was read:

PENSACOLA, Fla., April 15.

C. B. PARKHILL: Do as you think right in Jacksonville matter and do not mind petition from Pensacola. It is none of our business, and you are best judge in premises. I endorse your independence as expressed in telegram to Leonard.

S. R. MALLORY.

Also—

April 20th, 1889.

SENATOR PARKHILL.

As a young man serving his first term in the Senate, Senator Parkhill is doing himself much credit and winning a position as a progressive thinker and fearless defender of the rights of the people as he understands them.

His efforts to take off the stevedore license is a move in the right direction, and if it can be followed up by the abolition of the whole system of licenses the State would be greatly benefited, and an impetus be given to enterprise and labor that would throw Florida far forward in the march of improvement. These economic questions are rapidly coming to the front, and we are pleased to see that Mr. Parkhill is turning his attention to them.

We are also glad to see that Mr. Parkhill is soundly Democratic, and that he is not afraid to carry out and act upon his Democratic principles. This is clearly shown by his course on the Jacksonville bill to abolish home rule in that city, and place it like Pensacola, under the autocratic rule and control of the Governor of the State.

We assure Mr. Parkhill that he has with him the overwhelming majority of his constituents, and that upon that issue he could be triumphantly re-elected.

While upon this subject we take occasion to state that the use of the case of Pensacola as a precedent for the same course in reference to Jacksonville is not correct reasoning. The proposed object sought to be obtained in Pensacola was only temporary. We were told that as soon as the appointed rulers of Pensacola were fully installed, and by the time the next election under the charter came around, the special law would be repealed, and an election held under such auspices as would