

Relating to an amendment to the Constitution,
Was read the second time, and was ordered to be engrossed
for its third reading.

Senate Bill No. 61 :

To be entitled an act in relation to mortgages,

Was taken from the calendar and informally passed over.

The courtesies of the Senate chamber were extended to Col.
Courtman of Levy, and Messrs. C. Acosta and G. Holmes.

Senate Bill No. 57 :

An act entitled an act to fix the legal rate of interest in the
State of Florida, to define usury, and to provide for forfeitures
on notes and contracts for extortionate interest,

Was read the second time.

Mr. Rogers moved that the further consideration of Senate
Bill No. 57 be postponed until Wednesday next at 11 o'clock ;

Which was agreed to and the special order made.

Mr. Schumacher moved that the rules be waived and that—
House Bill No. 86 :

To be entitled an act to incorporate the Southern Savings
and Trust Company,

Be taken up out of its regular order and read the third
time ;

Which was agreed to by a two thirds vote.

The rules were waived and Senate Bill No. 86 was read the
third time and put upon its passage.

The roll being called on the passage of Senate Bill No. 86,
the vote was :

Yeas—Messrs Bailey of 22d, Bailey of 16th, Bielby, Brett,
Bryant, Coulter, Dismukes, Dunn, Hammond, Hardee,
Hind, Houstoun, Jenkins, Kirk, Pirrong, Randell, Rogers,
Rosborough, Schumacher, Smith, Stapleton, Swearingen,
and Wilkinson—23.

Nays—None.

So Senate Bill No. 86 passed, title as stated.

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

Which was agreed to.

The Senate stood so adjourned.

FRIDAY, April 26, 1889.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

President Wall 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, Brett, Bryant, Coulter, Dismukes, Drake,
Hammond, Hardee, Hind, Houstoun, Jenkins, King, Parkhill,
Pirrong, Randell, Rogers, Rosborough, Schumacher, Tomp-
kins, Wilkinson and Yancey—23.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The Journal was corrected and approved.

Senator Swearingen was excused on account of the illness
of his wife.

Mr. Dunn was also excused.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Hammond :

Senate Bill No. 117 :

To be entitled an act to amend section five of an act regulat-
ing conveyances of real estate and personal property and the
recording thereof, approved November 15th, 1828 ;

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

By Mr. Hardee :

Senate Bill No. 118 :

To be entitled an act in relation to the land grant of the
Florida Coast Line Canal and Transportation Company, and
prescribing the duties of the Trustees of the Internal Improve-
ment Fund of the State of Florida in relation thereto, the
right of settlement thereon, and the specifications for the con-
struction of its waterways and the time of its completion from
Saint Augustine to Biscayne Bay ;

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

By Mr. Hind :

Senate Bill No. 119 :

To be entitled an act to legalize conveyances of real estate in

the State of Florida, heretofore or hereafter executed in other States and Territories of the United States, in accordance with the laws of such other States and Territories ;

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

By Mr. Parkhill :

Senate Bill No. 120 :

To be entitled an act concerning executions ;

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

Also,

Senate Bill No. 121 :

An act concerning judgments and decess ;

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

Also,

Senate Bill No. 122 :

An act to provide for amendment of proceedings in cases of writs of error or appeal ;

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

Also,

Senate Bill No. 123 :

To be entitled an act to provide for the contesting of wills ;

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

Also,

Senate Bill No. 124 :

To be entitled an act to compel settlement of estates of decedents and minors ;

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

Also,

Senate Bill No. 125 :

To be entitled an act to amend section 51 of an act concerning wills, letters testamentary and letters of administration, and the duties of executors, administrators and guardians, approved November 28, 1828 ;

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

By Mr. Rogers :

Senate Bill No. 126 :

To be entitled an act to provide a fund for immigration purposes ;

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

By Mr. Tompkins :

Senate Bill No. 127 :

An act to regulate the sale of commercial fertilizers in this State ;

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

By Mr. Parkhill :

Senate Bill No. 128 :

An act relating to the competency of husband and wife to be witnesses ;

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

Also,

Senate Bill No. 129 :

An act relating to bonds in cases of writs of attachment and replevin ;

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

Also,

Senate Bill No. 130 :

An act relating to Court Commissioners ;

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

By permission Mr. Bryant offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That Senators be permitted to invite their friends to seats within the bar without a special resolution ;

Which was adopted.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read :

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., April 24, 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. 107 :

A bill entitled an act for the protection of keepers of livery, sale and feed stables,
And respectfully ask the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very Respectfully,

B. R. MILAM,

Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 107 :

Entitled an act for the protection of keepers of livery, sale and feed stables,

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

Mr. Yancey, Chairman of the Committee on City and County Organization, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., April 26, 1889. }

HON. J. B. WALL,

President of the Senate :

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

House Bill No. 4,

Have fully considered the same, and the majority of the committee have agreed to report the bill back to the Senate, without recommendation.

It is due to the committee to say that this conclusion was reached in view of the fact that much time had been spent in hearing the advocates and opponents of the bill, and the report of the sub-committee sent to Jacksonville, and the further fact that differences of opinion were developed between members of your committee on the details of the bill, and it was thought that time would be saved by not considering the matter further in committee.

Very respectfully,

D. H. YANCEY,

Chairman Committee.

Mr. Yancey moved that next Thursday, at 11 o'clock, A. M., be made the special order for the consideration of House Bill No. 4;

Which was agreed to and House Bill No. 4 was made the special order for 11 o'clock on that day.

Mr. Hind moved that Senate Bill No. 15 be made the special order for Thursday at 3 o'clock;

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Hind moved that Senate Bill No. 15 be made the special order for Friday next at 10 o'clock;

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Dismukes moved that Senate Bill No. 15 be made the special order for Wednesday next, at 10 o'clock.

Which was agreed to, and the special order entered.

Mr. Wilkinson, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., April 26, 1889. }

HON. J. B. WALL,

President of the Senate :

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

Senate Bill No. 50 :

An act to enlarge and extend the powers, rights and franchises of the Florida, Ocean and Gulf Canal Company, and to enact that the canal and property of said Company shall be exempt from taxation,

Beg leave to report that they have examined the same and find it to be correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

JOHN WILKINSON,

Chairman Committee.

Senate Bill No. 50 :

To be entitled an act to enlarge and extend the powers, rights and franchises of the Florida, Ocean and Gulf Canal Company, and to enact that the canal and property of said company shall be exempt from taxation,

Was passed to its third reading.

Mr. Yancey moved that the Senate adjourn.

The courtesies of the Senate Chamber were extended to Capt. E. M. L'Engle, Dr. W. M. Bostwick and Mr. Dexter Hunter during their stay in the city.

Col. Phillips, of Brooksville, and Mr. P. B. Mays, of Monticello, were invited within the bar of the Senate.

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

Mr. Rogers moved to amend that we adjourn until Wednesday next at 10 o'clock A. M.

The yeas and nays were called on Mr. Rogers' motion, and the vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Dismukes, Drake, Hardee, Hendry, Jenkins, Pirrong, Rogers, Schumacher, Tompkins and Tuten—10.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Bailey of 22d District, Bailey of 16th District, Bielby, Brett, Bryant, Coulter, Hammond, Hind, Houston, Kirk, King, Parkhill, Randell, Rosborough, Wilkinson and Yancey—17.

So the amendment was lost

Mr. Kirk raised the point of order that a motion to adjourn cannot be amended.

Mr. Yancey withdrew his motion to adjourn.

Mr. Bailey of 22d District, moved that the Senate adjourn until Monday morning at 10 o'clock ;

Which was not agreed to.

So the motion was lost.

Mr. Yancey was added to the Committee to Visit DeFuniak, in place of Mr. Houston.

Mr. Wilkinson was also added.

Mr. Bryant 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 27th, 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 16th District, Bielby, Brett, Coulter, Drake, Hammond, Hind, Houston, Kirk, King, Parkhill, Randell, Rosborough and Tompkins—15.

No quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion, Mr. Bryant was excused, having left on urgent business.

On motion, Mr. Jenkins was excused until Wednesday on account of sickness.

On motion, Mr. Pirrong was excused until Thursday.

On motion, Messrs. Dismukes and Hardee were excused.

On motion, Mr. Dunn was excused on account of illness.

On motion, Messrs. Schumacher and Wilkinson were excused.

Mr. Kirk moved that inasmuch as the only Senator in the city not present was Senator Dunn, and as he is ill, that no business could be transacted for the day, the Senate adjourn until Monday morning at 10 o'clock, and that the committees should go forward with their labors ;

Which was agreed to.

The Senate stood adjourned to Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

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MONDAY, APRIL 29th, 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 16th District, Bielby, Brett, Coulter, Drake, Dunn, Hammond, Hendry, Hind, Houston, Kirk, Rosborough, Smith and Tompkins—15.

No quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Houston, Mr. Bailey of the 22d District, was excused until Wednesday morning.

On motion Mr. King was excused on account of the sickness of his wife.

Mr. Bielby moved that the Senate adjourn until 10 o'clock Wednesday morning ;

Which was not agreed to.

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

Which was agreed to.

So the Senate took a recess.