

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

Which was agreed to, and at 12:25 the Senate was cleared and the doors closed.

At 1:25 the doors were opened.

By permission, Mr. Calhoun introduced—  
Senate bill No. 204:

To be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to revoke and and abolish the present municipal government of the city of Palatka in certain respects and to reorganize a city government therefor, approved May 31, 1889, and to extend the powers of the government thereof.

Mr. Calhoun moved that the rules be waived and that Senate bill No. 204 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote and Senate bill No. 204 was read first time by its title and referred to the Committee on City and County Organization.

By permission, Mr. Yancey introduced the following resolution:

When the introducer of any bill or resolution is absent from the Senate chamber when said bill or resolution is reached in its regular order, on its second or third reading, said bill or resolution shall be passed informally, upon the suggestion of such absence, unless otherwise ordered by the Senate, and the introducer shall have the right to call up the same out of its regular order at any time afterwards, provided the Senate is engaged in the order of business to which said bill or resolution properly belongs;

Which was read the first time in full.

Mr. Yancey moved that the resolution be adopted;

Which was agreed to and the resolution was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Summers the Senate adjournrd until 10 o'clock Friday morning, May 15, 1891.

#### CONFIRMATIONS.

To be county commissioners for Gadsden county:

D. M. Hinson, Mark W. Munroe, A. J. Rice, L. S. Owens and B. S. Gregory.

To be county commissioners for Alachua county:

Leroy N. Pearce, William J. Mathews, W. W. Scott, J. W. Carter and R. B. Weeks.

To be county commissioners for LaFayette county:

J. T. Cates, J. F. Wooten, L. J. Bell, Bry G. Stripling and T. S. Goodbread.

FRIDAY, May 15, 1891.

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. Baya, Borden, Bristol, Brett, Broome, Bryant, Calhoun, Coulter, Farmer, Hammond, Hardee, Johnson, King, Kirk, McKinne, Myers, Pirrong, Rogers, Rosborough, Smith of 30th, Smith of 31st, Summers, Swearingen, Thomas, Wadsworth, Wall, Wilkinson and Yancey—29.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The Journal was approved.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Kirk:

Senate bill No. 205:

To be entitled an act to require all applicants for liquor license to procure a certificate of good character and providing that all such liquor license may be revoked.

Mr. Kirk moved that the rules be waived and that Senate bill No. 205 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote and Senate bill No. 205 was read first time by its title.

Mr. Kirk moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate bill No. 205 be read second time in full;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote, and—  
Senate bill No. 205:

To be entitled an act to require all applicants for liquor license to procure a certificate of good character and providing that all such liquor license may be revoked,

Was read second time in full and passed to its third reading.

On motion of Mr. Bryant, Tennie Hough, one of the pages of the Senate, was excused for the day on account of sickness.

By Mr. Smith of 31st:

Senate bill No. 206:

To be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the trustees of the Presbyterian church of St. Augustine, approved June 2, 1887.

Mr. Smith of 31st, moved that the rules be waived and that Senate bill No. 206 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote and Senate bill

No. 206 was read first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Coulter:

Senate bill No. 208:

To be entitled an act to declare the 8th day of January of each and every year to be Arbor Day in the interest of forestry and the planting of forest, fruit and ornamental trees on public grounds, school and church premises and the public roads and for instruction in the valuable lessons to be derived.

Mr. Coulter moved that the rules be waived and that Senate bill No. 208 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote and Senate bill No. 208 was read first time by its title.

Mr. Borden moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate bill No. 208 be read second time in full;

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

Senate bill No. 208:

To be entitled an act to declare the 8th day of January of each and every year to be Arbor Day in the interest of forestry and the planting of forest, fruit and ornamental trees on public grounds, school and church premises and the public roads and for instruction in the valuable lessons to be derived,

Was read second time in full and passed to its third reading.

Mr. Coulter moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate bill No. 208 be read third time and put upon its passage;

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

Senate bill No. 208:

To be entitled an act to declare the 8th day of January of each and every year Arbor Day in the interest of forestry and the planting of forest, fruit and ornamental trees on public grounds, school and church premises and the public roads and for instruction in the valuable lessons to be derived,

Was read third time and put upon its passage.

Upon its passage the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baya, Borden, Bristol, Brett, Broome, Bryanton, Calhoun, Coulter, Farmer, Hammond, Hardee, Johnson, King, Kirk, Myers, Pirrong, Rosborough, Smith of 30th, Smith of 31st, Summers, Swearingen, Thomas and Wilkin-son—23.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated, and was ordered certified to the House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Kirk, the members of the Committee on Engrossed Bills were excused.

On motion of Mr. Kirk, the courtesy of the Senate was extended to Messrs. T. T. Wilson of Polk, Col. J. H. Humphries of Manatee and Col. McRae of DeSoto.

By permission, Mr. Borden, Chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,  
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 15, 1891. }

HON. J. B. BROWNE,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate bill No. 162:

To be entitled an act to consolidate the Florida Agricultural College, the Seminary East of the Suwannee river, the Seminary West of the Suwannee river, the Normal School for Whites and the Normal School for Colored People into one corporation to be known as the University of Florida, to be controlled by a board of five regents, to define the duties of said regents, to turn over to them the State library, the historical archives and whatever specimens of plants, fossils, archeological and historical relics and minerals belonging to the State, for the preservation and increase of the same and for the use of the people of the State, and to set apart and appropriate one-fourth of the revenue accruing annually from the one mill tax for the support and maintenance of public free schools for the support of said university,

And would respectfully report that, while the committee find merit in the bill, time and circumstances render its adoption at this time impracticable, and they recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,

W. J. BORDEN,  
Chairman of Committee.

A message was received from the House of Representatives. On motion of Mr. McKinne, the courtesy of the Senate was extended to Hon. Dennis Burns of Pensacola.

By permission Senator Bryant introduced:

Senate bill No. 207:

To be entitled an act to incorporate the Lakeland, Mohawk and Tavares Railroad Company, and to grant lands to the same.

Mr. Bryant moved that the rules be waived and that Senate bill No. 207 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote and Senate bill

No. 207 was read first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Railroads and Telegraphs.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read :

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 13, 1891. }

HON. J. B. BROWNE,

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. 41 :

To be entitled an act to confer police powers on all conductors in charge of passenger trains on the railroads in this State,

And respectfully ask the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Bryant moved that the rules be waived and that House bill No. 41 be read first time by its title ;

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

House bill No. 41 :

To be entitled an act to confer police powers on all conductors in charge of passenger trains on the railroads in this State,

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

Also the following :

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 13, 1891. }

HON. J. B. BROWNE,

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. 60 :

To be entitled an act regulating sentences in criminal cases,  
And respectfully ask the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Coulter moved that the rules be waived and that House bill No 60 be read first time by its title ;

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

House bill No. 60 :

A bill to be entitled an act regulating sentences in criminal cases,

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

Also the following :

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 14, 1891, }

HON. J. B. BROWNE,

President of the Senate :

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

Senate bill No. 32 :

To be entitled an act for the preservation of wild deer, birds and other game, with amendments adopted by the House of Representatives,

And respectfully ask the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Senate bill No. 32 :

To be entitled an act for the preservation of wild deer, birds and other game, together with House amendments thereto,

Was read.

Mr. Wall moved that the rules be waived and that the Senate concur to the House amendments ;

Which was agreed to, and the amendments offered by the House were concurred in, and the bill with amendments was ordered to be enrolled.

Also the following :

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 14, 1891. }

HON. J. B. BROWNE,

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. 66 :

To be entitled an act to prescribe a form for warranty deeds of conveyance to land,

And respectfully ask the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Wolfe moved that the rules be waived, and that House bill No. 66 be read first time by its title;

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

House bill No. 66 :

To be entitled an act to fix and define the qualifications of county judges in those counties in the State of Florida: wherein county courts are established,

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

Also, the following :

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 14, 1891. }

HON. J. B. BROWNE,

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. 75 :

To be entitled an act to legalize the incorporation of the town of Orange Park,

And respectfully ask the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Wolfe moved that the rules be waived, and that House bill No. 75 be read first time by its title;

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

House bill No. 75 :

To be entitled an act to legalize the incorporation of the town of Orange Park ;

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

Also the following :

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 14, 1891. }

HON. J. B. BROWNE,

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. 81 :

To be entitled an act to prohibit the leaving open pits and holes outside of enclosures,

And respectfully ask the concurrence of the Senate thereto.  
Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Coulter moved that the rules be waived and that House bill No. 81 be read first time by its title;

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

House bill No. 81 :

To be entitled an act to prohibit the leaving open pits and holes outside of enclosures ;

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

Also the following :

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 14, 1891. }

HON. J. B. BROWNE,

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. 86 :

To be entitled an act to declare the Santa Fe river navigable and to fix a penalty for obstructing the same,

And respectfully ask the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Baya moved that the rules be waived and that House bill No. 86 be read first time by its title ;

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

House bill No. 86 :

To be entitled an act to declare the Santa Fe river navigable, and to fix a penalty for obstructing the same,

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

Also the following :

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 14, 1891. }

HON. J. B. BROWNE,

President of the Senate :

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

House Concurrent Resolution No. 19 :

Relative to appointment of a joint committee to visit the State Insane Asylum,

And respectfully ask the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Concurrent Resolution No. 19:

Relative to the appointment of a joint committee to visit the State Insane Asylum,

Was read first time in full and went over under the rules.

Also the following:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 13, 1891. }

HON. J. B. BROWNE,

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. 33:

To be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the appointment of a board of examiners, and to regulate the practice of dentistry in the State of Florida, the same being Chapter 3711 of the Laws of Florida, approved June 7, 1887,

And respectfully ask the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Summers moved that the rules be waived, and that House bill No. 33 be read first time by its title;

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

House bill No. 33:

To be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the appointment of a board of examiners and to regulate the practice of dentistry in the State of Florida, the same being Chapter 3711 of the Laws of Florida, approved June 7, 1887,

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

Also the following:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 13, 1891. }

HON. J. B. BROWNE,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to in-

form the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Joint Resolution No. 36:

Asking amendment of the inter-state commerce law,

And respectfully ask the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Wolfe moved that the rules be waived and that House Joint Resolution No. 36 be read first time by its title;

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

House Joint Resolution No. 36:

Asking an amendment to the inter-state commerce law,

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

Also the following:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 15, 1891. }

HON. J. B. BROWNE,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate bill No. 12:

To be entitled an act regulating appeals from municipal and recorders' courts in this State, with amendments thereto, adopted by the House of Representatives,

And respectfully ask the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Senate bill No. 12:

To be entitled an act regulating appeals from municipal and recorders' courts in this State,

Was read, together with the House amendments thereto.

Mr. Wolfe moved that the Senate concur in the amendments offered by the House;

Which was agreed to, and the amendments offered by the House were concurred in,

And the bill, as amended, was ordered to be enrolled.

Also the following:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 14, 1891. }

HON. J. B. BROWNE,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 29:

To appoint a joint committee to examine the revised statutes of the State of Florida and report thereon,

And have appointed—

Messrs. Carter, Mays, Clark, McCaskill, Burford, Hicks, Thompson, Hoeker, Mann of Hernando, Young, Vann, Dougherty, Saulsbury, Atkinson and Buford such committee on part of the House.

Very Respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

By permission, Mr. Rogers introduced:

Senate bill No. 209:

To be entitled an act for the relief of Joshua J. Morgan of Suwannee county.

Mr. Rogers moved that the rules be waived, and that Senate bill No. 209 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote and Senate bill No. 209 was read first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Claims.

By permission, Mr. Wall introduced:

Senate Joint Resolution No. 210:

Memorializing Congress for certain appropriations.

Mr. Wall moved that the rules be waived, and that Senate Joint Resolution No. 210 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote, and Senate Joint Resolution No. 210 was read first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Commerce and Navigation.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Wolfe, Chairman of the Committee on Public Health, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, }  
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 14, 1891. }

HON. J. B. BROWNE,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Public Health, to whom was referred—

Senate bill No. 166:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to provide for the appointment of county boards of health in and for the several counties of the State of Florida, and define their powers, being Chapter 3859, Laws of Florida, approved June 7, 1889,

Beg leave to report that they have considered the same and recommend the accompanying bill as a substitute therefor.

Very respectfully,

J. EMMET WOLFE,  
Chairman of Committee.

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

SENATE CHAMBER, }  
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 15, 1891. }

HON. J. B. BROWNE,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate bill No. 193:

To be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to establish the municipality of Key West and provide for its government and prescribe its jurisdiction and powers,

Beg leave to report that they have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do pass with the following amendment:

In line 21, section 4, after the word city, strike out all down to and inclusive of the word dismissed, in line 30 of said section.

Very respectfully,

O. J. H. SUMMERS,  
Chairman of Committee.

Mr. Summers moved that the amendment by the committee be adopted:

Which was agreed to and the amendment was adopted.

A message was received from the Governor.

Mr. Calhoun moved that the rules be waived and that the Senate proceed to the consideration of bills on third reading;

Which was agreed to and so ordered.

Senate Memorial No. 158:

A memorial to the Congress of the United States, in reference to the passage of an act to define lawful money, and to establish its legal tender character with respect to all debts and obligations hereafter made and entered into,

Was read third time and put upon its passage,

Upon its passage the vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Baya, Bristol, Bryant, Calhoun, Coulter, Farmer, Hardee, Johnson, King, McKinne, Myers, Pirrong, Rogers, Rosborough, Smith of 30th, Smith of 31st, Swearingen, Thomas, Wadsworth, Wall, Wilkinson, Wolfe and Yancey—23.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Mr. Thomas moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Memorial No. 158 be certified to the House of Representatives at once ;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote and so ordered. Senate Joint Resolution No. 142 :

Senate joint resolution, directing and empowering the Attorney-General to institute legal proceedings to compel settlement of indebtedness to the State by different railroads and canal companies,

Was read third time and put upon its passage.

Upon its passage the vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Baya, Bristol, Broome, Bryant, Calhoun, Coulter, Farmer, Johnson, King, Pirrong, Rogers, Rosborough, Smith of 30th, Smith of 31st, Summers, Swearingen, Thomas, Wadsworth, Wall and Yancey—20.

Nays—Messrs. Hardee and Myers—2.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Mr. Pirrong moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Joint Resolution No. 142 be certified to the House of Representatives at once ;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote and so ordered. Senate bill No. 161 :

A bill to be entitled an act relating to the construction and maintenance of switch and track connections between railroads, and providing for enforcing the same by proper penalties and proceedings,

Was read third time and put upon its passage.

Mr. Wolfe asked and was granted unanimous consent to change the word "at" on fourth page to "as."

Upon its passage the vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Baya, Bristol, Broome, Bryant, Calhoun, Coulter, Farmer, Hardee, Johnson, King, McKinne, Myers, Pirrong, Rosborough, Summers, Swearingen, Thomas, Wadsworth, Wall, Wilkinson, Wolfe and Yancey—22.

Nays—Mr. Smith of 31st—1.

So the bill passed, title as stated, and was ordered certified to the House of Representatives.

By permission, Mr. Kirk, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report :

SENATE CHAMBER,  
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 15, 1891. }

HON. J. B. BROWNE,

President of the Senate :

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

Senate bill No. 7 :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Chapter 3681 of the Laws of Florida, approved June 13, 1887, entitled an act for the assessment and collection of revenue.

Also,

Senate bill No. 138 :

A bill to be entitled an act making an appropriation for East Florida Seminary.

Also,

Senate bill No. 129 :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the title and section 4 of an act entitled an act to provide for the payment of a capitation or poll tax as a prerequisite for voting, and prescribing the duties of tax collectors and supervisors of registration in relation thereto, being Chapter 3850, Laws of Florida, approved May 25, 1889,

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

Very respectfully,

BENJ. F. KIRK,  
Chairman of Committee.

On motion, the courtesy of the Senate was extended to the Hon. R. H. M. Davidson during his stay in the city.

The President appointed the following named Senators on the Joint Committee to examine the revised statutes of the State of Florida and report thereon :

Senators Yancey, Hammond, McKinne, Myers, Wolfe, Wall, Calhoun, Summers, Smith of 31st and Pirrong.

Mr. Pirrong, at his own request, was excused from serving on the special committee to examine the report of the commission to revise the statutes of England and Florida, and the President announced that he would fill the vacancy at some future time.

Senate bill No. 160 :

A bill to be entitled an act to punish false billing, false weighing, false classification of freights and other fraudulent practices by shippers and railroad companies,

Was read third time and put upon its passage.

Upon its passage the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baya, Borden, Bristol, Broome, Bryant, Calhoun, Coulter, Drake, Farmer, Hardee, Johnson, King, Kirk, McKinne, Pirrong, Rosborough, Smith of 30th, Smith of 31st, Summers, Swearingen, Thomas, Wadsworth, Wall, Wilkinson, Wolfe and Yancey—26.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated, and was ordered certified to the House of Representatives.

A message was received from the Governor.

The following message from the Governor was received:

STATE OF FLORIDA, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }  
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 14, 1891. }

Gentlemen of the Legislature:

I have received to-day the report of the committee appointed under the act approved January 1, 1889, entitled "An act to provide for the revision and consolidation of the public statutes."

I herewith transmit this report, together with the printed revision being the result of the labors of the committee, with the exception of the fourth division thereof embracing the criminal law, which has not yet come from the printer, but I am assured will be ready in a few days. It will then be added to that which is now placed before you.

Realizing the limited time for further labor by the present Legislature, I will not incur the delay necessary even to a hasty examination of the work which, from the character, intelligence and ability of the gentlemen who compose the commission, I submit with great confidence that it has been well done.

I also submit herewith for your consideration a proposed bill prepared by the committee to put said revision in force if it shall meet your approval.

FRANCIS P. FLEMING.

The report of the commission appointed to revise, consolidate, simplify and arrange the Statutes of England and of the Territory and the State of Florida, together with the bill prepared by them and the accompanying documents, were referred to the joint committee to examine the reports of the commission.

Senate bill No. 159:

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate seven hundred dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to carry out the purposes of Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 27.

Was read third time and put upon its passage.

Upon its passage the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Bristol, Broome, Bryant, Calhoun, Drake, Hardee, King, Kirk, McKinne, Pirrong, Rosborough, Smith of 30th, Smith of 31st, Summers, Thomas, Wadsworth, Wall, Wilkinson, Wolfe and Yancey—20.

Nays—Messrs. Coulter, Farmer, Johnson, Myers and Swearingen—5.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Mr. Calhoun moved that the rules be waived and that Senate bill No. 159 be certified to the House of Representatives at once;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote and so ordered.

Mr. Browne moved that the rules be waived and that the Senate recur to consideration of bills on second reading;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote and so ordered.

Mr. Browne moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate bill No. 193 be read second time;

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

Senate bill No. 193:

To be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to establish the municipality of Key West and to provide for its government and prescribe its jurisdiction and powers.

Was read second time in full together with the amendments offered by the Committee on City and County Organization, which had been previously adopted, and the bill with the amendments was ordered engrossed for its third reading.

#### SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

The hour having arrived for the special consideration of—  
Senate bill No. 62:

To be entitled an act for the levy of an immigration tax, and to provide for the collection, arrangement and display of the products and resources of the State of Florida at the World's Columbian Exposition of 1893.

The same was read the second time in full.

Mr. McKinne moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed. Pending consideration of which—

A committee from the House of Representatives appeared at the bar of the Senate and notified the Senate that the House was ready to receive them in joint session.

The committee thereupon retired.

The President announced that the hour of 12 M. had arrived and the Senate would now proceed to the House of Representatives' hall.

The Senate thereupon marched in a body to the hall of the House of Representatives.

## TWELVE O'CLOCK M.

JOINT SESSION, May 15, 1891.

At 12 o'clock the Senate entered the hall of the House of Representatives and was received by the House.

President Browne in the chair.

The President ordered the Secretary of the Senate to call the roll of the Senate.

Upon call of the roll the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Messrs. Baya, Borden, Bristol, Brett, Broome, Bryant, Calhoun, Coulter, Drake, Farmer, Hammond, Hardee, Johnson, King, Kirk, McKinne, Myers, Pirrong, Rogers, Rosborough, Smith of 30th, Smith of 31st, Swearingen, Thomas, Wadsworth, Wall, Wilkinson, Wolfe and Yancey—31.

A quorum present.

By request of the President, the Speaker of the House ordered the roll of the House called.

Upon call of the roll the following members answered to their names:

Mr. Speaker, Messrs. Atkinson, Baker, Baltzell, Bates, Berry, Bethel, Beville, Blich of Marion, Blich of Levy, Brown, Buford, Burford, Canty, Carleton, Carson, Clark, Coulter, Dougherty, Haddock, Hicks, High, Hocker, Hollinger, Jenkins, Johns, King, Langford, Lavender, Mann of Hernando, McRea, McSwain, Monroe, Morgan, Newlan, Overstreet, Parker, Pittman, Priest, Richbourg, Robertson, Rye, Shine, Sparkman, Stapler, Summerlin, Trammell, Turnbull, Usina, Vann, Vaughn, Whitehurst, Whitner, Wilson and Young—54.

A quorum present.

Mr. Summers moved that the reading of the Journals of the Senate and House in joint session, held May 14, 1891, be dispensed with;

Which was agreed to and so ordered.

Mr. Rogers moved that the joint session proceed to vote for a United States Senator;

Which was agreed to, and so ordered.

The vote of the Senate was:

For Wilkinson Call—Messrs. Bryant, Calhoun, Coulter, Pirrong, Rosborough, Smith of 30th, Swearingen, Thomas, Wadsworth, Wolfe and Yancey—11.

For D. H. Mays—Messrs. Borden, Bristol, Brett, Drake, Farmer, Hammond, Kirk and Myers—8.

For T. A. LaFar—Mr. President, Messrs. Johnson, King and Wilkinson—4.

For R. H. M. Davidson—Messrs. Baya, Broome and McKinne—3.

For D. H. Yancey—Mr. Hardee—1.

For R. W. Davis—Mr. Rogers—1.

For H. F. Dutton—Mr. Smith of 31st—1.

For B. P. Calhoun—Messrs. Summers and Wall—2.

The vote of the House was:

For Mr. Call—Mr. Speaker, Messrs. Berry, Bethel, Blich of Levy, Brown, Buford, Carson, Haddock, Hicks, Johns, King, Langford, Lavender, Monroe, Morgan, Pittman, Priest, Rye, Summerlin and Wilson—20.

For A. C. Berry—Mr. Vaughn—1.

For Mr. Mays—Messrs. Baker, Baltzell, Beville, Blich of Marion, Burford, Dougherty, High, Hocker, Hollinger, Jenkins, Mann of Hernando, McRae, McSwain, Newlan, Robertson, Turnbull, Whitner and Young—17.

For Dr. LaFar—Messrs. Parker, Sparkman and Trammell—3.

For R. H. M. Davidson—Messrs. Bates, Canty and Whitehurst—3.

For T. L. Wilson—Mr. Clark—1.

For Mr. Hocker—Messrs. Overstreet and Richbourg—2.

For R. W. Davis—Mr. Shine—1.

For F. P. Fleming—Mr. Vann—1.

Upon call of the roll,

Mr. Coulter stated that he was paired with Mr. Goode.

Mr. Stapler stated that he was paired with Mr. Atkinson.

The Secretary announced that the total number of votes cast for United States Senator was 78.

Of which—

Mr. Call received 31 votes.

Mr. Mays received 25 votes.

Mr. Davidson received 6 votes.

Dr. LaFar received 7 votes.

Mr. Yancey received 1 vote.

Mr. Davis received 1 vote.  
 Mr. Dutton received 1 vote.  
 Mr. Berry received 1 vote.  
 Mr. Calhoun received 1 votes,  
 T. F. Wilson received 4 votes.  
 Mr. Hocker received 1 vote.  
 Mr. Fleming received 1 vote.  
 The president declared there was no election.  
 Mr. Rogers moved that the joint session adjourn until 12  
 o'clock Saturday, May 16, 1891;  
 Which was agreed to.  
 Whereupon the Senate withdrew to its chamber.

12:20 O'CLOCK.

At 12:20 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. Baya, Borden, Bristol, Brett, Broome,  
 Bryant, Calhoun, Coulter, Drake, Farmer, Hammond, Hardee,  
 Johnson, King, Kirk, McKinne, Myers, Pirrong, Rogers, Ros-  
 borough, Smith of 30th, Smith of 31st, Summers, Swearingen,  
 Thomas, Wadsworth, Wall, Wilkinson, Wolfe and Yancey  
 —31.  
 Consideration of the motion of Mr. McKinne, that Senate  
 bill No. 62 be indefinitely postponed, was resumed;  
 Which was withdrawn.  
 Mr. Calhoun moved that the bill be made special order for  
 11 o'clock Wednesday, May 20, 1891;  
 Which was agreed to and so ordered.  
 Mr. Wall moved that Senate bill No. 98 be made the special  
 order for 11 o'clock to-morrow;  
 Which was agreed to and so ordered.  
 By permission, Mr. Yancey, Chairman of the Committee on  
 Judiciary, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, }  
 TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 15 1891. }

HON. J. B. BROWNE,

*President of the Senate:*

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

Senate bill No. 182:

To be entitled an act creating the office of court commis-  
 sioner and fixing the compensation therefor,

Have had the same under consideration and recommend  
 that it do pass, with the following amendments, to-wit:

In line 2, section 2, strike out the word "five" and insert  
 "fifteen."

Strike out all after line 4, in section 2, and insert in lieu  
 thereof: "to be paid by the party applying for the writ of in-  
 junction or habeas corpus, the same to be taxed, as are other  
 costs of suit, on the final disposition of the cause."

Very respectfully,

D. H. YANCEY,  
 Chairman of Committee.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }  
 TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 15, 1891. }

HON. J. B. BROWNE,

*President of the Senate:*

SIR—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—  
 Senate bill No. 172:

To be entitled an act to define lobbying and to prescribe the  
 measure of punishment for persons convicted of the same,

Have had the same under consideration and recommend  
 that it do pass with the following amendments, to-wit:

In lines 12 and 14, section 1, strike out the word "colloca-  
 tion" and insert the word "collation."

In line 17, section 1, strike out the words "defined as" and  
 insert the word "deemed."

Strike out all after the word "the" in line 3 of section 2 to  
 the close of the section, and insert in lieu thereof, "county  
 jail for a term not exceeding one year."

Very respectfully,

D. H. YANCEY,  
 Chairman of Committee.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }  
 TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 15, 1891. }

HON. J. B. BROWNE,

*President of the Senate:*

SIR—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—  
 Senate Bill No. 171:

To be entitled an act to encourage the propagation of  
 sponges in the Florida waters, and grant certain rights and

privileges to Thos. A. Hine, Ralph Monroe, and Jefferson B. Browne, and to punish any persons for infringing on the same,

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do pass, with the following amendments, to-wit:

In line 3, section 2, strike out the word "thirty" and insert "twenty."

In line 5, section 4, strike out the word "thirty" and insert "twenty."

Very respectfully,  
D. H. YANCEY,  
Chairman of Committee.

Also the following

SENATE CHAMBER,  
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 15, 1891. }

HON. J. B. BROWNE,

*President of the Senate:*

SIR—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—  
Senate bill No. 184:

To be entitled an act to authorize and regulate the selling of pools in this State,

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that it do pass with the following amendment, to-wit:

In line 6, section 2, strike out the word "any" and insert the word "every."

Very respectfully,  
D. H. YANCEY,  
Chairman of Committee.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,  
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 15, 1891. }

HON. J. B. BROWNE,

*President of the Senate:*

SIR—Your Committee on Judiciary, whom was referred—  
Senate bill No. 165:

To be entitled an act to protect depositors, who deposit money or other valuables in banks, trust companies or other corporations who propose to receive deposits.

Also,

Senate bill No. 168:

To be entitled an act for the protection and preservation of certain birds of plumage in this State.

Also,

Senate bill No. 170:

To be entitled an act to provide for the collection of taxes

assessed under and in pursuance of an act to provide for the assessment and collection of taxes on railroads and the properties thereof for the years 1879, 1880 and 1881, as to which there was no assessment, being Chapter 3558, Laws of Florida,

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

Very respectfully,  
D. H. YANCEY,  
Chairman of Committee.

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

SENATE CHAMBER,  
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 15, 1891. }

HON. J. B. BROWNE,

*President of the Senate:*

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

Senate Bill No. 127:

A bill to be entitled 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.

Also,

Senate bill No. 122:

A bill to be entitled an act to enforce the payment of taxes by bankers and brokers,

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

Very respectfully,  
B. F. KIRK,  
Chairman of Committee.

By permission, Mr. Wall introduced—

Senate bill No. 211:

To be entitled an act prescribing the mode of procedure for the exercise of the right of eminent domain by water works companies.

Mr. Wolfe moved that the rules be waived, and that Senate bill No. 211 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote, and Senate bill No. 211 was read first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By permission, Mr. Wall introduced—

Senate bill No. 212:

To be entitled an act to incorporate the Tampa Bay Jockey Club, and to grant certain privilege to the same.

Mr. Wall moved that the rules be waived, and that Senate bill No. 212 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote, and Senate bill No. 212 was read first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

By permission (by request), Mr. Bristol introduced—

Senate bill No. 213 :

To be entitled an act to amend section 2 of an act approved March 8, 1877, entitled an act to amend sections 11, 12, 13, 16, 17, 18, 19, 23 and 29 of an act entitled an act to provide for the incorporation of cities and towns, and to establish a uniform system of municipal government in this State, approved February 4, 1869.

Mr. Bristol moved that the rules be waived, and that Senate bill No. 213 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote, and Senate bill No. 213 was read first time by its title and referred to the Committee on City and County Organization.

Mr. McKinne moved that Senate bill No. 173 be taken up and put upon its second reading;

Which was agreed to and so ordered, and—

Senate bill No. 173 :

To be entitled an act to require railroad companies to publish lists containing a description of all stock killed by engines or cars of said companies, and providing penalties therefor,

Was read second time in full, together with the amendments offered by the Committee on Railroads and Telegraphs.

Mr. Wolfe moved that the amendments of the committee be adopted;

Which was agreed to, and the amendments to the bill were adopted.

Mr. McKinne moved the bill be passed informally;

Which was agreed to, and so ordered.

By permission, Mr. Drake, Chairman of the Committee on Privileges and Elections, submitted the following report :

SENATE CHAMBER, }  
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 15, 1891. }

HON. J. B. BROWNE,

*President of the Senate :*

SIR—Your Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred—

Senate bill No. 179 :

Beg leave to report that they have considered the same, and return it for the consideration of the Senate.

Very respectfully,

W. A. DRAKE,  
Chairman of Committee.

Mr. Calhoun moved that the Senate do now go into executive session;

Which was agreed to and at 1:50 o'clock the Senate was cleared and the doors closed.

At 1:37 o'clock the doors were opened.

Mr. Hammond asked and was granted unanimous consent to take up—

Senate bill No. 7 :

To be entitled an act to amend Chapter 3681, of the Laws of Florida, approved June 13, 1887, entitled an act for the assessment and collection of revenue;

Which was read third time and put upon its passage.

Upon its passage the vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Baya, Borden, Broome, Calhoun, Hammond, Johnson, Kirk, Myers, Pirrong, Rosborough, Smith of 31st, Summers, Wadsworth, Wilkinson, Wolfe and Yancey—16.

Nays—Messrs. Rogers and Swearingen—2.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Mr. Kirk moved that the rules be waived and that Senate bill No. 7 be immediately certified to the House of Representatives;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote and so ordered. On motion of Mr. Smith of 31st, the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock Saturday, May 16, 1891.

#### CONFIRMATIONS.

To be County Commissioners for Pasco county :

B. C. Campbell, T. F. Williams, L. S. Bradham, W. H. Hagar and J. W. Clark.

To be County Commissioners for DeSoto county :

W. J. Altman, J. R. Durrance, E. A. Furgerson, R. C. Hendry and David D. Mahon.

To be County Commissioners for Suwannee county :

J. J. Robinson, W. S. Hodge, John H. Grant, W. A. Tison and James English.