

being upon the motion of Mr. St. Clair Abrams to indefinitely postpone further consideration of Senate Bill No. 52.

Pending consideration of which—

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

Which was not agreed to.

By permission Mr. Summers introduced—

Senate Bill No. 132:

A bill to be entitled an act to require certain corporations to give to their discharged agents or employees the cause of their removal or discharge, when discharged or removed.

Mr. Summers moved that the rule be waived and that the bill be read the first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote,

Whereupon the bill was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

By permission Mr. Grady introduced:

Senate Bill No. 133:

A bill to be entitled an act to preserve and protect the natural oyster beds along the coast of Florida.

Mr. Grady moved that the rule be waived and that the bill be read the first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote,

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

The regular order was resumed, the question being upon the indefinite postponement of Senate Bill No. 52.

Upon which the yeas and nays were called.

The roll being called, the vote was as follows:

Y. as—Messrs. Baya, Borden, Broome, Browne, Fleming, Marks, McKay, McKinne, McKinney, McLeran, Reeves, Rosborough, St. Clair Abrams, Summers, Weeks, Williamson—16.

Nays—Messrs. Blitch, Bristol, Calhoun, Farmer, Genovar, Johnson, Myers, Perrenot, Thomas, Wadsworth, Wolfe—11.

Excused from voting, Mr. Grady, 1.

So the motion to indefinitely postpone further consideration of the bill was agreed to.

At 1:08 o'clock, on motion of Mr. Broome, the Senate went into executive session.

The Senate was cleared and the doors closed.

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

Mr. President, Messrs. Baya, Blitch, Borden, Bristol, Broome, Calhoun, Farmer, Fleming, Genovar, Grady, Johnson, Marks, McKay, McKinne, McLeran, Perrenot, Reeves, Rosborough, St. Clair Abrams, Summers, Thomas, Wadsworth, Weeks, Williamson, Wolfe—26.

A quorum present.

The Senate thereupon, on motion of Mr. Summers, adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M. Wednesday, April 19, 1893.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 1893.

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, Blitch, Borden, Bristol, Broome, Browne, Calhoun, Farmer, Fleming, Genovar, Grady, Johnson, Marks, McKay, McKinney, McKinne, McLeran, Myers, Reeves, Rosborough, St. Clair Abrams, Summers, Thomas, Wadsworth, Weeks, Whidden, and Wolfe—28.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The Journal was approved.

The secretary called the attention of the Senate to the fact that there appears two Senate bills numbered Senate Bill 105, and two numbered Senate Bill 106, and that in order to prevent confusion he had labeled the bill introduced by Mr. Marks on the 14th instant, to-wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 255, Revised Statutes of Florida,

As Senate Bill No. 105 A:

Also had labeled the bill introduced by Mr. Myers on the same date to-wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to require the clerk of the Supreme Court of this State to furnish reports of the decisions of said court to the United States Circuit Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit,

As Senate Bill No. 106 A.

Introduction of Resolutions.

By Mr. McKay:

Senate Memorial No. 3;

Which was read as follows:

Whereas, The aggregate tonnage of vessels entering and departing from the port of Key West, Florida, annually exceeds 600,000; and,

Whereas, There are no range lights for entering either the main ship or the southwest channel of Key West harbor; and,

Whereas, The imperative necessity for the establishment of such range lights has long existed; therefore, be it

Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Florida, That our Senators and Representatives in Congress be requested to urge upon Congress the importance and necessity of an appropriation by the General Government for the establishment of a sufficient number of range lights in the harbor of Key West commensurate with the demands of shipping at that port.

Resolved, further, That the Secretary of State be requested to furnish each of the Senators and Representatives in Congress from Florida and the United States Lighthouse Board at Washington a certified copy of this memorial.

Laid over under the rules.

Introduction of Bills.

By Mr. Browne:

Senate Bill No. 134:

A bill to be entitled an act to prescribe the times and places for holding the Circuit Courts in the 6th Judicial Circuit.

Mr. Browne moved that the rule be waived and that the bill be read the first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote,

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

By Mr. Genovar:

Senate Bill No. 135:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 4 of an act entitled an act in relation to the land grants of the Florida Coast Line Canal and Transportation Company and prescrib-

ing the duties of the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of the State of Florida in relation thereto, the right of settlement thereon, and the specifications for the construction of its waterways and the time of its completion from St. Augustine to Biscayne Bay, approved May 29, 1889.

Mr. Genovar moved that the rule be waived and that the bill be read the first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote,

Whereupon the bill was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Canals and Telegraphs.

By Mr. Thomas:

Senate Bill No. 136:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 212, Chapter 2, Article 2, of the Revised Statutes.

Mr. Thomas moved that the rule be waived and that the bill be read the first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote,

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

By Mr. McLeran:

Senate Bill No. 137:

A bill to be entitled an act to prevent the running of freight trains on the Sabbath day.

Mr. McLeran moved that the rule be waived and that the bill be read the first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote,

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

Also,

Senate Bill No. 138:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 1, Chapter 4015, Laws of Florida, approved June 8, 1891, entitled an "Act relating to jurors."

Mr. McLeran moved that the rule be waived and that the bill be read the first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote,

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

Also,

Senate Bill No. 139:

A bill to be entitled an act to further define the duties of

State's Attorneys as to prosecutions for violation of the revenue laws of the State of Florida.

Mr. McLeran moved that the rules be waived and that the bill be read the first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote,

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

By Mr. Browne:

Senate Bill No. 140:

A bill to be entitled an act repealing Section 14 of the Revised Statutes, the same originally being Chapter 3858, Act of June 3d, 1889; also providing for the inspection of fertilizers and establishing the office of State Chemist at the Agricultural College at Lake City, Florida.

Mr. Browne moved that the rule be waived and that the bill be read the first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote,

Whereupon the bill was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Consideration of Resolutions, Petitions and Memorials.

Senate Memorial No. 2:

Urging our senators and representatives in Congress to employ their best efforts to have Congress take favorable action looking to the early construction of the Nicaragua Canal.

Which was passed informally yesterday, owing to the temporary absence of Senator Thomas, who introduced the same,

Was taken up and read the second time.

Mr. Thomas moved that the resolution be adopted.

Upon which the yeas and nays were demanded.

Upon call of roll the vote was as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Baya, Browne, Calhoun, Farmer, Fleming, Johnson, Marks, McKay, Myers, Perrenot, Thomas and Wolfe—12.

Nays—Messrs. Blicht, Borden, Bristol, Broome, Genovar, Grady, McKinne, McKinney, McLeran, Reeves, Rosborough, St. Clair Abrams, Summers, Wadsworth, Weeks, Whidden, Williamson—17.

So the resolution was not adopted.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 37:

To appoint a joint committee to visit the convict camps and for other purposes,

Was read the first and second times, the rules being waived.

Mr. Weeks moved that the resolution be adopted;

Which was agreed to, and the resolution was declared adopted.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 17:

Relative to the appointment of a joint committee to examine the books and accounts of the phosphate commission,

Was read the first and second times, the rules being waived.

Mr. Fleming moved that the resolution be adopted;

Which was not agreed to, so the resolution was not adopted.

Messages from the House of Representatives.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 18, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

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. 11:

Providing for a joint committee to examine into the working of the State Board of Phosphate Commissioners,

And appointed Messrs. Cochran and Baltzell such committee on the part of the House.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Also the following:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 18, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

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

form the Senate that the House of Representatives has adopted—

House Concurrent Resolution No. 13:

To appoint a joint committee to investigate amount of phosphate being mined in this State and due a royalty subject to a late decision of the Supreme Court,

And appointed Messrs. Fortner and Goodbread such committee on part of the House.

And the House would respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives

The resolution referred to was laid over under the rules.

Also the following:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 18, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

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. 1:

To be entitled an act to incorporate the Jackson County Mill Company, with amendments,

And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

The amendment was as follows:

Strike out all after "shall" in Section 5, line 4, and insert "pay to the Secretary of State, when they obtain their charter under this act, such license as shall be required by law at that time."

Mr. McKinne moved that the amendment of the House be concurred in;

Which was agreed to, and the amendment was concurred in.

Also the following:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 18, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

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. 19:

To be entitled an act to incorporate the Marianna and Greenwood Telephone Company,

With amendments,

And would respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

The amendment was as follows:

At the end of Section 2 add "provided the powers granted in this charter shall not infringe upon, or conflict with, the rights and privileges of any private citizen or of any incorporated city or town.

Mr. McKinne moved that the amendment of the House be concurred in;

Which was agreed to, and the amendment was concurred in.

And,

The Secretary was directed to notify the House of the concurrence of the Senate to the amendments of the House to Senate Bills Nos. 1 and 19.

Also the following:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 18, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

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. 133:

To be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Carrabelle, Franklin county, Florida,

And would respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Mr. Reeves moved that the rule be waived and that House Bill No. 133 be read the first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote,

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

Also the following:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 18, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

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. 10:

Relative to appointing joint committee to visit State Insane Asylum at Chattahoochee,

And have appointed Messrs. Layne and Long such committee on part of the House.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Also the following:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 18, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed by a two-thirds vote—

An act entitled an act to amend Section 1 of an act making the Alafia river, in Hillsborough county, a navigable stream, approved January 30, 1885, being Chapter 3672, Laws

of Florida, which act passed the Senate May 21, 1891, and passed the House of Representatives June 5, 1891, and was disapproved by the Governor,

And respectfully transmit said act back to the Senate.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

The act referred to in the message was ordered delivered to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

By permission Mr. Marks introduced—

Senate Bill No. 141:

A bill to be entitled an act to make an appropriation to have the State of Florida properly represented at the Columbian Exposition at Chicago for the year 1893, and for the expenditure of said appropriation.

Mr. Marks moved that the rule be waived and that the bill be read the first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote,

Whereupon the bill was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Also,

Senate Bill No. 142:

A bill to be entitled an act to raise a fund to have the resources of the State of Florida properly exhibited at the Columbian Exposition and for the proper expenditure of said fund.

Mr. Marks moved that the rule be waived and that the bill be read the first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote,

Whereupon the bill was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Reports of Committees.

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

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 19, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate Bill No. 109:

To be entitled an act to compel drovers to have the marks and brands of their herds inspected before swimming or driving them across the Caloosahatchee River.

Beg leave to report that they have examined the same and recommend that it do pass.

Also,
Senate Bill No. 130:

An act to amend Chapter 4048, Section 3, Revised Statutes, relative to the records of marks and brands.

Beg leave to report that they have examined the same and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

W. C. THOMAS,

Chairman Agriculture Committee.

Which was placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Reeves, Chairman of Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 19, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate Bill No. 120:

To be entitled an act to provide for the election of members of the county boards of public instruction and to fix their compensation.

Beg leave to report that they have had the same under consideration, and have agreed to return the same, without recommendation.

Very respectfully,

L. J. REEVES,

Chairman Committee on Education.

Which was placed among the orders of the day.

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

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 18, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate Bill No. 78.

Also,

Senate Bill No. 110.

Also,

Senate Bill No. 111,

Beg leave to report that they have examined the same, and find that bills indentially the same have been reported to the Senate from this committee;

Therefore we report the same without recommendation.

Very respectfully,

C. J. PERRENOT,

Chairman of Committee

Which was placed among the orders of the day.

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

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 19, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate Bill No. 93:

Entitled "An act to amend Section 2124, Article 2, Chapter 2, of the Revised Statutes;"

Also,

Senate Bill No. 87:

Entitled "An act to discharge and release debtors from liability for debts contracted prior to an assignment for the benefit of creditors;

Also,

Senate Bill No. 86:

Entitled "An act to provide for the payment of jurors in

civil cases authorized to be tried by jury in the Circuit Court in vacation;"

Also,

Senate Bill No. 80:

Entitled "An act for the punishment of persons fraudulently altering, changing or defacing the mark or brands of lumber and timber;"

Also,

Senate Bill No. 83:

Entitled "An act to amend Section 2908 of the Revised Statutes of Florida,

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

Very respectfully,

J. EMMET WOLFE,

Chairman Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 19, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate Bill No. 88:

Entitled an act to incorporate the Florida Conference College.

Also,

Senate Bill No. 106:

Entitled an act to require the clerk of the Supreme Court of this State to furnish the reports of the decisions of said court to the United States Circuit Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit.

Also,

Senate Bill No. 115:

Entitled an act to authorize the judges of the Criminal Courts of Record in the various counties of the State, wherein such courts exist, to order and hold extra, special and adjourned terms of said courts whenever in their judgment the public welfare and the cause of justice require the same,

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

Very respectfully,

J. EMMET WOLFE,

Chairman of Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Which were placed among the orders of the day.

Pending consideration of reports of committees a committee from the House of Representatives appeared at the bar of the Senate and notified the Senate that at 12 o'clock M. the House would be ready to receive the Senate in joint session for the purpose of electing a United States Senator.

The committee thereupon retired.

The regular order was resumed and

Mr. McKay, Chairman of Committee on Fisheries, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 18, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Fisheries, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 47:

A bill to be entitled an act to prevent the use of purse or drag seines, and to prohibit the building and maintaining of dykes or pounds, in any stream, river or waters of this State, whereby shad may be prevented from running or passing up, or through the same, during their spawning season between December 1st and April 1st of every year.

Also,

Senate Bill No. 133:

A bill to preserve and protect the natural oyster beds along the coast of Florida,

Beg leave to report that they have examined the same and recommend their passage with the following amendments, to-wit:

In section 1, third line, after the word "April," strike out "fifteenth" and insert "thirtieth," and on fourth line of same section after the word "October," strike out "fifteenth" and insert "first."

Also,

Senate Bill No. 71:

An act for the protection of fish in the salt waters of the State of Florida.

Beg leave to report that they have examined the same and recommend that it do pass, with the following amendments, to-wit:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the following in lieu thereof:

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. That from and after the passage of this act, no seine, gill net or other nets except a common cast-net, shall be set or used for the taking of food fish for sale, within one mile of any pass or inlet, or continuation thereof from the Atlantic Ocean into any inland waters of this State.

Sec. 2. Any person guilty of the violation of this act shall be punished by fine not exceeding one hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding ninety days, or by fine and imprisonment, at the discretion of the court, and by confiscation of all boats, nets, seines or other appliances used in such unlawful act. Provided, That nothing in this act shall be so construed as to affect in any manner the right of fishermen on the Gulf Coast, including rivers and bays, in the capture of mullet and other fish, from using any seines or other nets they may think proper.

Sec. 3. All laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. This act shall take effect immediately on its signature by the Governor.

Very respectfully,

JAS. MCKAY,

Chairman of Committee

Which was placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Calhoun, Chairman Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 19, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate Bill No. 132:

Entitled an act to require certain corporations to give their

agents or employes the cause of their removal or discharge, when discharged or removed,

Beg leave to report that they have had said bill under consideration, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

BENJ. P. CALHOUN,

Chairman Committee.

Which was placed among the orders of the day.

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

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

Mr. Broome moved that the rules be further waived and that the Senate take up Senate Bill No. 85 out of its regular order;

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

Whereupon,

Senate Bill No. 85:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Rev. J. W. Posten of Gadsden county, Florida,

Was taken up out of its regular order, read the third time and put upon its passage.

Upon its passage the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baya, Blich, Borden, Bristol, Broome, Browne, Farmer, Fleming, Genovar, Grady, Johnson, Marks, McKay, McKinne, McKinney, McLeran, Myers, Perrenot, Reeves, Rosborough, St. Clair Abrams, Summers, Thomas, Wadsworth, Weeks, Whidden, Williamson—27.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Mr. Broome moved that the rules be further waived, and that the bill be immediately certified to the House of Representatives;

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

The regular order of business was then resumed.

And

Senate Bill No. 114:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to incorporate the trustees of the Presbyterian Church of St. Augustine,

Was read the second time in full.

Mr. Genovar moved that the rules be waived and that the bill be read the third time;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote and the bill was read the third time and put upon its passage.

Upon its passage the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baya, Blicht, Borden, Bristol, Browne, Calhoun, Farmer, Fleming, Genovar, Grady, Johnson, Marks, McKay, McKinne, McKinney, McLeran, Myers, Reeves, Rosborough, St. Clair Abrams, Summers, Thomas, Wadsworth, Weeks, Whidden and Williamson—26.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Mr. Genovar moved that the rules be further waived, and that the bill be immediately certified to the House of Representatives;

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

The regular order was resumed:

And

Senate Bill No. 112:

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a charitable and educational institution in the counties of Duval and Nassau and other counties in the State of Florida, under the name and title of St. Joseph's Convent,

Was read the second time in full.

Mr. Genovar moved that the rules be waived and that the bill be read the third time;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote and the bill was read the third time and put upon its passage.

Upon its passage the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baya, Blicht, Borden, Bristol, Browne, Calhoun, Farmer, Fleming, Genovar, Grady, Johnson, Marks, McKinne, McKinney, McLeran, Myers, Perrenot, Reeves, Rosborough, St. Clair Abrams, Thomas, Wadsworth, Whidden, Williamson and Wolfe—25.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Mr. Genovar moved that the rules be further waived, and that the bill be immediately certified to the House of Representatives;

Which was withdrawn.

11:50 O'CLOCK.

On motion of Mr. Myers the Senate took a recess until 12 o'clock.

At 12 o'clock 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, Blicht, Bristol, Broome, Browne, Calhoun, Farmer, Fleming, Genovar, Grady, Johnson, Marks, McKay, McKinne, McKinney, McLeran, Myers, Perrenot, Reeves, Rosborough, St. Clair Abrams, Summers, Thomas, Wadsworth, Whidden, Williamson, Wolfe—28.

A quorum present.

The President announced that the hour of 12 M. having arrived, the Senate would now proceed to the hall of the House of Representatives.

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

JOINT SESSION.

12 O'CLOCK M., APRIL 19, 1893.

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

President Reynolds 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, Blicht, Bristol, Broome, Browne, Calhoun, Farmer, Fleming, Genovar, Grady, Johnson, Marks, McKay, McKinne, McKinney, McLeran, Myers, Perrenot, Reeves, Rosborough, St. Clair Abrams, Summers, Thomas, Wadsworth, Whidden, Williamson, and Wolfe—28.

A quorum present.

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

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

Mr. Speaker, Messrs. Alexander, Baltzell, Berry, Bethel, Blocker, Bryan, Campbell, Clark, Cochran, Dell, Dees, Denham, Durrance, Dyal, Fletcher, Finlayson, Floyd, Forman, Fortner, Gaskins, Gainer, Gilchrist, Goodbread, Hall, Harp, Holland, Hamilton, Hooks, Jackson, Jennings, Johnson, Kelley, Layne, Lee, Long, Mathews, Means, Michelson, Morgan, Morse, McCaskill, McKinnon, Nelson, Nolan, Oliver, Parker, Pickett, Priest, Pompez, Rawls, Reid, Ross, Rowe, Rourke, Stewart, Shine, Vaughn, Ward, Wall, Wilder, Wilson, Williams and Zim—65.

A quorum present.

By direction of the President of the Senate the Secretary read that portion of the Senate Journal of April 18, 1893, relating to the election of a United States Senator by the Senate;

Which was as follows:

The President announced that the hour of 12 o'clock having arrived, it was incumbent upon the Senate to proceed to the election of a United States Senator to succeed the Hon. Samuel Pasco, whose term expired on the 4th of March, 1893.

Mr. Wolfe moved that the Senate do now proceed to the election of a United States Senator;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Myers nominated Hon. Samuel Pasco as United States Senator.

The roll was called and the vote stood as follows:

Those voting for Samuel Pasco were—

Mr. President, Messrs. Baya, Blitch, Bristol, Broome, Browne, Calhoun, Farmer, Fleming, Genovar, Grady, Johnson, Marks, McKay, McKinne, McKinney, McLeran, Morrow, Myers, Perrenot, Reeves, Rosborough, St. Clair Abrams, Summers, Thomas, Wadsworth, Whidden, Williamson, Wolfe—29.

The President announced that Hon. Samuel Pasco, having received a majority of the votes of the Senate for United States Senator, was duly elected by the Senate to that office for the term ending March 4, 1899.

By direction of the Speaker of the House of Representatives the chief clerk of the House read that portion of the

House Journal of April 18, 1893, relating to the election of United States Senator by the House;

Which was as follows:

The hour of 12 M. having arrived—

The Speaker announced that the hour fixed by law for the election of United States Senator having arrived, that the House would now proceed to the election of United States Senator.

Mr. Gaskins moved to vote for U. S. Senator;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Gaskins nominated Hon. Samuel Pasco, of Jefferson county, in a fine speech.

There being no other nominations the vote was ordered, and was as follows:

For Samuel Pasco:

Yeas—Mr. Speaker, Messrs. Alexander, Baltzell, Berry, Bethel, Blocker, Bryan, Campbell, Clark, Cochran, Daniel, Dell, Dees, Denham, Durrance, Dyal, Fletcher, Finlayson, Floyd, Forman, Fortner, Gaskins, Gainer, Gilchrist, Goodbread, Hall, Harp, Henry, Holland, Hamilton, Jackson, Jennings, Johnson, Jones, Kelley, Layne, Lee, Long, Mathews, Means, Michelson, Morgan, Morse, McCaskill, McKinnon, Nelson, Nolan, Oliver, Parker, Pickett, Priest, Pompez, Rawls, Reid, Ross, Rowe, Rourke, Stewart, Shine, Vaughn, Ward, Wall, Walker, Wilder, Wilson, Williams and Zim—66.

Nays—None.

Mr. Pompez made the following explanation of his vote:

Though I have the honor to represent the grand old party, the republican party, I will not hinder the nomination of Samuel Pasco from being unanimous, therefore I take pleasure in voting for Samuel Pasco, as he is an honorable democrat, and one who has the interest of Florida at heart, and who will try to put it as high as any state in the union.

The Speaker declared that Samuel Pasco had received 66 votes for United States Senator.

It was moved that the Senate be invited to meet the House in joint session in this hall to-morrow at 12 M. o'clock, to declare the result of the election for United States Senator and that a committee of three be appointed to notify the Senate of the action of the House;

Which was agreed to, and Messrs. Gaskins, Baltzell and Long were appointed as such committee.

The secretary stated that the total number of votes cast

for United States Senator was 95, of which Samuel Pasco had received 95 votes.

The President announced that it appearing from the Journals of the Senate and House of Representatives just read in the Joint Session that the Hon. Samuel Pasco did on yesterday receive ninety-five votes for United States Senator, and said ninety-five votes being a majority of the members of both houses, the Hon. Samuel Pasco is declared duly elected a Senator from the State of Florida to represent said State in the United States Senate for the term of six years from the 4th day of March, A. D. 1893.

Mr. Myers moved that the joint session do now adjourn;

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon the Senate withdrew in a body and returned to its chamber.

12:15 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. Baya, Blitch, Borden, Bristol Broome, Browne, Calhoun, Farmer, Fleming, Genovar, Grady, Johnson, Marks, McKay, McKinne, McKinney, McLeran, Myers, Perrenot, Reeves, Rosborough, St. Clair Abrams, Summers, Thomas, Wadsworth, Weeks, Whidden, Williamson and Wolfe—30.

A quorum present.

Mr. McKinne offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a joint committee of three from the Senate, and three from the House be appointed to notify the Hon. Samuel Pasco of his unanimous re-election to the U. S. Senate by the Legislature. That said committee also notify the Governor of the election of Hon. Samuel Pasco and request Senator Pasco to address the Legislature at some time convenient to himself.

Mr. McKinne moved that the resolution be adopted;

Which was agreed to, and the resolution was declared adopted.

The President appointed as such committee on the part of the Senate Messrs. McKinne, Grady and Browne.

At 12:20 o'clock, on motion of Mr. Wolfe, the Senate went into executive session.

The Senate was cleared and the doors closed.

At 12:30 o'clock the doors were opened.

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

Mr. President, Messrs. Baya, Blitch, Borden, Bristol, Broome, Browne, Calhoun, Fleming, Genovar, Grady, Johnson, Marks, McKay, McKinne, McKinney, McLeran, Myers, Perrenot, Reeves, Rosborough, St. Clair Abrams, Thomas, Wadsworth, Weeks, Whidden, Williamson, Wolfe—28.

A quorum present.

The regular order was resumed, the same being the consideration of bills on their second reading.

And

Senate Bill No. 119:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 258 of Chapter 1, of Part 1 of the Revised Statutes of Florida,

Was read the second time in full, together with the amendment offered by the Committee on Education.

The amendment was as follows:

Immediately after the words "Section 1" and before the word "when" insert the following, to-wit: "That Section 258 of Chapter 1, of Part 1 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows."

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

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

The bill with the amendments was ordered engrossed for its third reading.

Senate Bill No. 33:

A bill to be entitled an act to create and establish a State Bureau of Vital Statistics for the State of Florida and to increase the efficiency of the State Board of Health,

Was read the second time in full, together with the amendments offered by the Committee on Public Health.

The amendments were as follows:

That the words "commencing A. D. 1894" be added to Section 2.

That Section "4" be stricken therefrom.

That the words "established by the State Board of Health"

be inserted after the word "State" on line 3 in Section 5, and before the sentence following beginning "He shall have."

Also, on line 4 in Section 5, after the word "warrant" insert "except within the corporate limits of any city or town."

That the words "in a reasonable time" on lines 11 and 12 in Section 6 be stricken out, and the words "within ten days" be inserted between the word "done" on line 11 and the word "it" on line 12.

That the words "of a court of criminal record" on line 15 of Section 6 be transposed to read thus: "of a criminal court of record."

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

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

The bill with the amendments was ordered engrossed for its third reading.

Senate Bill No. 106 A:

A bill to be entitled an act relating to the catching of fish in the waters of the State of Florida for fertilizing purposes,

Was read the second time in full, and ordered engrossed for its third reading.

Senate Bill No. 91:

A bill to be entitled an act for the protection and preservation of the natural or public oyster beds within the jurisdiction of Santa Rosa County, Florida,

Was read the second time in full, and ordered engrossed for its third reading.

Senate Bill No. 105:

A bill to be entitled an act to legalize the incorporation of the town of Melbourne,

Also,

Senate Bill No. 101:

A bill to be entitled an act declaring the town of Eau Gallie, in the county of Brevard, to be a legally incorporated town and to change and define the boundaries of said town;

Were passed informally, the introducer of the bill not being present in the chamber.

Senate Bill No. 105A:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 255, Revised Statutes of Florida,

Was read the second time in full.

Mr. Marks offered the following amendment:

First. Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert—
Section 1. That Section 255, Revised Statutes of the State of Florida be amended so as to read as follows:

255. School Day, Month, Term and Year.—First. A school day shall comprise not less than five (5) and not more than six (6) hours, exclusive of recess. The time to be fixed by the supervisor of each school.

Second. A school month contains twenty days, exclusive of the first and last days of the week.

Third. A school term contains four school months.

Fourth. A school year contains two terms.

Amend the enacting clause to read: "Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida."

Amend title to read: "An act to amend Section 255 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida."

Mr. Borden offered the following amendment to the amendment:

In Section 1, line 4, strike out all after the word "five (5)" and before the word "inclusive."

Mr. St. Clair Abrams moved that the amendment to the amendment be laid on the table;

Which was agreed to, and so ordered.

Mr. Marks moved that the amendment be adopted;

Which was agreed to, and the amendment was declared adopted.

The bill with the amendments was ordered engrossed for its third reading.

The Senate thereupon, on motion of Mr. Calhoun, adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M. Thursday, April 20, 1893.

Confirmations.

Milton C. Allen, Apalachicola, Florida, to be public custodian for lost timber and lumber in and for the port of Apalachicola, Fla.

William B. Henderson, of Tampa, James P. Taliaferro, of Jacksonville, Warren E. Anderson, of Pensacola, to be members of the State Board of Health for the term of four years.