amining into the condition of the Florida State College [and Experimental Station, beg to submit herewith our report on the experimental station, the report on the college having been already submitted:

We visited the station at Lake City, carefully examined the growing crops, fruit trees, cattle, agricultural implements, laboratory, etc., etc.

We found no crops of material value growing, except tobacco, of which there are various plots, each fertilized by different qualities of fertilizers (as reported by the director, Mr. J. P. DePass), with a view of ascertaining what grades are most available. The tobacco seemed to be doing well, but the quantity is very limited. The corn is of no value, and we pronounce it a failure. In our opinion, a different method of cultivation would yield better results upon the land used, it being very undulating and subject to washes, which the director reports do occur, and attributes the failure of crops to floods at a critical stage in their growth.

We think that the farm falls far short of what should be growing upon it, with the advantages allowed by the government appropriation. There are a number of peach and pear trees growing, upon which, we are informed, experiments are being made as the effects of cold and insects. There is nothing to praise or condemn in their condition. We found tobacco in different stages of preparation by a Cuban expert. This gentleman speaks very favorably of the possibilities of Florida tobacco, and we believe that the resources of the Station should be largely concentrated upon a systematic experiment on this very valuable crop, from the selection of seed of various varieties to the stage it reaches for manufacture into cigars. A satisfactory solution of this question might result in untold wealth to the State of Florida, and we earnestly call the attention of the new board of trustees to its consideration.

The cattle at the farm are in good condition, the calves being crosses of various breeds, apparently with good results. The agricultural implements seem to be of the latest patterns, with a view to labor-saving. The hogs are not doing well, and are evidently not the variety for this climate.

The laboratory seems well supplied with apparatus and chemicals for analyses, and the chemist in charge was busy analyzing phosphates and soils. The professor of natural science and entomology, we were informed, was in South Florida in the tomato fields, inquiring into the insects that are injurious to this valuable crop.

Upon the whole, our report upon the Experiment Station is unfavorable. Unfortunate differences have occurred between the director of the station, Dr. DePass, and Dr. Yoeam, the president of the college, under whose control the experiment station was placed by the board of trustees. The correspondence between these two gentlemen, and a consideration by this committee of the action of the board of trustees by resolutions transferring a plot of land to the director (that had been withdrawn from him by the president), on the ground that it was inexpedient at that time that the land should be withdrawn, gave rise to much discussion, which, in our opinion, was entirely uncalled for, and which these gentlemen, the board of trustees, could have explained to the public in a short card, had they, in our opinion, entertained a proper regard for the institution with which they were connected, and for the rights of the public to properly understand the situation.

At the request of this committee, the committee appointed to visit the Normal College at DeFuniak examined that sub-station and their report was embodied in a report to the Legislature made by that committee, to which you are respectfully referred.

Your committee, in order to save the expense of a trip to Fort Myers, for the purpose of examining that sub-station, accepted the report of Capt. Hendry, of the House of Representatatives, who says that the sub-station at that place is in good condition; fruit trees growing satisfactorily, the result of a plat planted in Irish potatoes being at the rate of 200 bushels of tubers per acre, and the result of a plat planted in sweet potatoes at the rate of 500 bushels per acre. The land is well fenced, and there is a good cottage, a good horse and wagon, and the necessary tools, etc., on the farm. Mr. Hendry therefore reports that the results obtained at this sub-station are satisfactory.

We find that the sum of $4,000 was appropriated to these sub-stations, $2,000 each.

Upon the whole, we think the management of the stations has been bad, and that the board of trustees relied too confidently upon those to whose care they entrusted their management.

The station is calculated to do vast good to Florida, and we commend its affairs to the board of trustees to be appointed.

Very respectfully,

J. F. BAYA,
J. S. OLYER,
J. L. McKINNON.

By permission—
Mr. Fleming, Chairman of the Committee on Public Lands, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., MAY 29, 1893.

Hon. W. H. Reynolds,
President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Public Lands, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 334:
To be entitled an act to enable owners of swamp and overflowed lands to drain and reclaim the same.
Have examined the bill and beg leave to return the same without recommendation.

Very respectfully,
F. A. Fleming,
Chairman Committee.

The bill accompanying the report was placed among the orders of the day.
The Senate resumed

Consideration of Bills on Second Reading.
The roll was called, and Mr. Marks called up:
Senate Bill No. 196:
A bill to be entitled an act to encourage and promote immigration in the various counties of Florida, and to provide for the assessment and collection of revenue for these purposes;
Which was read the second time in full.
Mr. Marks offered the following amendment:
Amend title by striking out “General Assembly” and inserting “Legislature.”
Mr. Marks moved that the amendment be adopted;
Which was agreed to, and the amendment was declared adopted.
The bill as amended was passed to the calendar of bills on third reading.
Mr. McKay called up:
Senate Bill No. 260:

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. 409:
To be entitled an act to amend section 5 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Jackson Mill Company, approved April 27, 1893.
And would respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,
Wm. Forsyth Bynum,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Mr. McKinne moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 409 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.
Mr. McKinne moved that the rules be further waived and that the bill be read the second time;
Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.
Whereupon the bill was read the second time in full and passed to the calendar of bills on third reading.
Mr. McLeran called up:
House Bill No. 291:
A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the estate of D. T. Elliott of Suwannee county;
Which was read the second time in full and passed to the calendar of bills on third reading.
Mr. McKinney called up:
House Bill No. 129:
A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of an agricultural station for the State of Florida and to grant certain lands for the endowment of the same;
Which was read the second time in full and passed to the calendar of bills on third reading.
Mr. Myers called up:
House Bill No. 174:
A bill to be entitled an act in relation to proof of the record of public instruments in counties where records have been lost or destroyed.
Mr. Myers moved that further consideration of the bill be postponed;
Which was agreed to, and further consideration of the bill was declared postponed.
Mr. Morrow called up:
House Bill No. 262:
A bill to be entitled an act to repeal sections 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923 and 924 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida;
Which was read the second time in full and passed to the calendar of bills on third reading.
Mr. Reeves called up:
Senate Bill No. 307:
A bill to be entitled an act to provide for school sub-districts in counties and towns and to provide for the levying and collection of taxes for the support of schools in such sub-districts;
Which was read the second time in full and passed to the calendar of bills on third reading.
Mr. Perrenot called up:
Senate bill No. 294:
A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Central Peninsula Muck Mining and Development Company;
Which was read the second time in full and passed to the calendar of bills on third reading.
Mr. Rosborough called up:

House Bill No. 209:
A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the redemption of tax sale certificates held by the State for taxes due for the year 1890, and previous years.
Mr. Wolfe moved that the bill remain on its second reading until to-morrow;
Which was agreed to, and so ordered.
Mr. Blitch called up:
House Bill No. 294:
A bill to be entitled an act to limit the pay of county officers and regulate the number of clerks or assistants employed and to fix the salaries of same;
Which was read the second time in full.
Mr. Wolfe moved to lay the bill on the table;
Which was withdrawn.
The bill was passed to the calendar of bills on third reading.
Mr. Smith called up:
House Bill No. 225:
A bill to be entitled an act declaring Bear creek, in Washington county, navigable;
Which was read the second time in full and passed to the calendar of bills on third reading.
Mr. St. Clair Abrams called up:
Senate Bill No. 251:
A bill to be entitled an act to enlarge the jurisdiction of the court of chancery in accordance with the power vested in the legislature by section 12, article 5, Constitution;
Was read the second time in full, together with the amendment offered by the Committee on Judiciary.
Which was as follows:
In the enacting clause between the words "of" and "Florida" insert the words "the State of."
Mr. Wolfe moved that the amendment of the committee be adopted;
Which was agreed to, and the amendment to the bill was declared adopted, and the bill with the amendment was ordered engrossed for its third reading.

Mr. Summers called up:
House Bill No. 181:
A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Harry Bonny Stout of Duval county, Florida;
64s
Which was read the second time in full and passed to the calendar of bills on third reading.

Mr. Thomas called up:

Senate Bill No. 275:
A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the appointment of deputy sheriffs, special constables, marshals and policemen, and to regulate the manner of making arrests;
Which was read the second time in full and passed to the calendar of bills on third reading.

Mr. Wadsworth called up:

House Bill No. 46:
A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 7 of an act approved May 31, 1889, entitled an act to regulate the practice of medicine, etc., the same being section 806, chapter 4, title 3, division 1, of the Revised Statutes of Florida;
Which was read the second time in full and passed to the calendar of bills on third reading.

Mr. Whidden called up:

House Bill No. 37:
To be entitled an act to protect and regulate the hunting and killing of the wild game birds, birds of song and plumage, animals the skins of which are valuable for fur, and for other purposes;
Which was read the second time in full and passed to the calendar of bills on third reading.

Mr. Calhoun, for Mr. Williamson, called up:

Senate Bill No. 207:
A bill to be entitled an act to amend sections 1362 and 1364 of chapter 2, of title 2 of the Revised Statutes of Florida.
Also,
Senate Bill No. 208:
A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 1370, article 1, chapter 4 of title 3 of part 2d of the Revised Statutes of Florida;
Which were taken up.

Mr. Calhoun moved that the rules be waived and that both bills be read the second time by their titles and passed to the calendar of bills on third reading without reference;
Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Whereupon the bills were read the second time by their titles and passed to the calendar of bills on third reading in their order.

Mr. McKay called up:

Senate Bill No. 227:
A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to amend chapter 4063 prescribing the time and places for holding circuit court in the sixth circuit;
Which was taken up.

Mr. McKay moved that the rules be waived and that the bill be read the second time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on third reading without reference;
Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Whereupon the bill was read the second time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on third reading in its order.

Mr. Wolfe called up:

House Bill No. 298:
A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Mercantile Phosphate Company and to define its business, powers, etc.;
Which was read the second time in full.

Mr. Wolfe 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:
Nay—None.
So the bill passed, title as stated, and was ordered certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. Calhoun moved that the rules be waived, and that Senate Bill No. 157 be taken up out of regular order on its third reading:
Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote and so ordered, and

Senate Bill No. 157:
A bill to be entitled an act to punish contractors and subcontractors who shall fail or refuse to pay laborers, employees and material men when the principal pays the said contractors or subcontractors,
Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

Upon its passage the vote was:


Nays—None.

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

Pending further consideration of bills on third reading,

Mr. Summers moved that the rules be waived and that the Senate recur to the consideration of messages from the House of Representatives;

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

Whereupon,

The following message was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 29, 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. 291:

To be entitled an act authorizing the guardian of an infant residing in a foreign country to receive control, remove, take charge of, manage and dispose of such infant’s property in this State.

And would respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Mr. Wolfe moved that the rules be waived, and that House Bill No. 291 be read the first time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on second reading without reference;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Whereupon the bill was read the first time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on second reading in its order.

Also the following message was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 29, 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. 340:

To be entitled an act in relation to the taking, damaging, injuring or destroying of private property or right of way by any corporation, municipality or individual to or for its or his use and ascertaining damages therefor.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Mr. Summers moved that the rules be waived, and that House Bill No. 340 be read the first time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on second reading without reference;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Whereupon the bill was read the first time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on second reading in its order.

Also the following message was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 29, 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. 374:

To be entitled an act to incorporate the Terra Ceia College and University Association.
And would respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

Wm. Forsyth Bynum,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Mr. Wolfe moved that the rules be waived, and that House Bill No. 374 be read the first time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on second reading without reference;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Whereupon the bill was read the first time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on second reading in its order.

Also the following message was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 29, 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. 351:
To be entitled an act to amend section 244 and to repeal section 245 of chapter 1, under title 5 of the Revised Statutes.

Very respectfully,

Wm. Forsyth Bynum,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Mr. Wolfe moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 351 be read the first time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on second reading without reference;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Whereupon the bill was read the first time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on second reading in its order.

Also the following message was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 29, 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. 319:
To be entitled an act for the relief of C. W. Hilliard and J. S. Bailey.

And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

Wm. Forsyth Bynum,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Mr. Wolfe moved that the rules be waived, and that House Bill No. 319 be read the first time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on second reading without reference;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Whereupon the bill was read the first time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on second reading in its order.

Also the following message was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 29, 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. 404:
To be entitled an act to incorporate the Florida Investment and Savings Bank, and to confer certain rights and privileges thereon.

And would respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

Wm. Forsyth Bynum,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.
Mr. Summers moved that the rules be waived, and that House Bill No. 404 be read the first time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on second reading without reference;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Whereupon the bill was read the first time by its title and passed to calendar of bills on second reading in its order. Also the following message was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 29, 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. 396:
To be entitled an act declaring St. Sebastian river navigable.

And would respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Mr. Morrow moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 396 be read the first time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on second reading without reference;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Whereupon the bill was read the first time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on second reading in its order. Also the following message was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 29, 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. 412:
To be entitled an act relating to the provisional municipality of Pensacola.

And would respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Mr. Wolfe moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 412 be read the first time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on second reading without reference;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Whereupon the bill was read the first time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on second reading in its order. Also the following message was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 29, 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
Mr. McKay moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 288 be read the first time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on second reading without reference;
Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.
Whereupon the bill was read the first time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on second reading in its order.
Also the following message was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., May 29, 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. 288:
To be entitled an act to limit the time in which certain suits may be maintained.

Very respectfully,

Wm. Forsyth Bynum,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Mr. McKay moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 386 be read the first time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on second reading without reference;
Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.
Whereupon the bill was read the first time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on second reading in its order.
Also the following message was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., May 29, 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. 23:

Very respectfully,

Wm. Forsyth Bynum,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.
To be entitled an act to legalize the incorporation of the Ocala Street and Suburban Railroad Company, and to confirm its corporate acts.

And would respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Mr. Borden moved that the rules be waived, and that House Bill No. 23 be read the first time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on second reading without reference;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Whereupon the bill was read the first time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on second reading in its order.

Also the following message was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 29, 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. 252:

To be entitled an act to amend chapter 5, article 3, section 2003, Revised Statutes.

And would respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Mr. Wolfe moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 252 be read the first time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on second reading without reference;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Whereupon the bill was read the first time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on second reading in its order.

Also the following message was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 27, 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. 266:

To be entitled an act to force railroad companies, other companies and other persons running cars or trains in this State to post marks and brands and color of live stock that may be killed or injured by engines or cars and to keep a record and to provide for the payment of the same.
And would respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

W. M. Forsyth Bynum,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Mr. McKay moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 392 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 the following message was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 29, 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. 392:

To be entitled an act to amend section 938, Revised Statutes.

And would respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

W. M. Forsyth Bynum,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Mr. Wolfe moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 392 be read the first time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on second reading without reference; which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Whereupon the bill was read the first time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on second reading in its order.

Also the following message was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 29, 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. 405:

To be entitled an act to prescribe rules and regulations for licensing teachers, to provide for uniform examinations, to secure fairness in examinations and in issuing teachers' certificates, and for other purposes.

And would respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

W. M. Forsyth Bynum,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Mr. Wolfe moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 405 be read the first time by its title and
passed to the calendar of bills on second reading without reference; Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote. Whereupon the bill was read the first time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on second reading in its order.

Also the following message was read:

House of Representatives, Tallahassee, Fl., May 29, 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. 295:
To be entitled an act for the protection of the manatee or sea cow.

And would respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

Wm. Forsyth Bynum,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Mr. Wolfe moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 341 be read the first time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on second reading without reference; Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote. Whereupon the bill was read the first time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on second reading in its order.

Also the following message was read:

House of Representatives, Tallahassee, Fl., May 29, 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. 341:
To be entitled an act in aid of the society for the prevention of cruelty to animals and to increase their efficiency.

And would respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

Wm. Forsyth Bynum,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Mr. Myers moved that the rules be waived and that House Joint Resolution No. 73 be read the first time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on second reading without reference; Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote. Whereupon the joint resolution was read the first time by its title and passed to the calendar of bills on second reading in its order.
Messages from the Governor.

The following message from the Governor was read:

STATE OF FLORIDA, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
Tallahassee, May 27, 1893.

Hon. W. H. Reynolds,
President of the Senate:

Sir—I have the honor to inform you that I have signed the following:

An act for the protection and preservation of the natural or public oyster beds within the jurisdiction of Santa Rosa county, Florida.

An act to incorporate the Tampa and Western Railroad Company, and to grant certain lands to the same.

An act to amend section 4 of an act 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 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.

And I have filed the same with the secretary of state.

Very respectfully,
HENRY L. MITCHELL,
Governor.

Mr. Myers moved that the rules be waived, and that the Senate take up House Bill No. 278 out of its regular order on its third reading;

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

House Bill No. 278:
A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the governor, comptroller and treasurer to deposit the public moneys with banks in this State,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

Upon its passage the vote was:
Yes—Messrs. Bays, Blitch, Genovar, Grady, Johnson, McKay, McKinne, McKinney, McLean, Morrow, Myers,


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

Mr. Rosborough asked unanimous consent to withdraw Senate Bill No. 302;

Which was granted.

Mr. Summers moved that the Senate take a recess until 8 o'clock this evening, and that upon reconvening the Senate proceed to the consideration of bills on third reading;

Which was agreed to, and the Senate thereupon, took a recess until 8 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

8 o'clock.

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. Bays, Blitch, Borden, Bristol, Broome, Browne, Calhoun, Farmer, Genovar, Grady, Johnson, Marks, McKay, McKinne, McKinney, McLean, Morrow, Myers, Perrenot, Reeves, Rosborough, Smith, St. Clair Abrams, Summers, Thomas, Wadsworth, Whidden and Wolfe—29.

A quorum present.

By permission—

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

SENATE CHAMBER,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 29, 1893.

Hon. W. H. REYNOLDS,
President of the Senate:

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

House Bill No. 322:
A bill to be entitled an act to establish and maintain a uniform course or series of text books to be used in the public schools of the State of Florida, and providing for the purchase and sale of the same.

Beg leave to report that they have considered the same, and have directed their chairman to recommend its passage.

Very respectfully,

L. J. Reeves,
Chairman of Committee.

The bill accompanying the report was placed among the orders of the day.

The Senate proceeded to the Consideration of Bills on Third Reading.

The roll was called and

Mr. Bristol called up:

Senate Bill No. 123:
A bill to be entitled an act providing for the discharge and relief of the bondmen of county officers;

Which was read the third time and put upon its passage.

Upon its passage the vote was:


Nays—None.

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

Mr. Broome called up:

House Bill No. 409:
A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 5 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Jackson County Mill Company, approved April 27, 1891;

Which was read the third time and put upon its passage.

Upon its passage the vote was:


Nays—None.

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

Mr. Calhoun called up:

House Bill No. 55:
A bill to be entitled an act to confer on married women in certain cases the right to dispose of real and personal property;

Which was read the third time and put upon its passage.

Upon its passage the vote was:


Nays—None.
So the bill passed, title as stated, and was ordered certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. Blitch called up:

House Bill No. 262:

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal sections 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923 and 924 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida;

Which was read the third time and put upon its passage.

Upon its passage the vote was:


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

Mr. Farmer called up:

Senate Bill No. 354:

A bill to be entitled an act to protect seamen from imposition, and to provide for the appointment of shipping agents;

Which was read the third time, together with the Senate amendment thereto, and put upon its passage.

Upon its passage the vote was:


Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Mr. Grady 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.

Mr. Fleming called up:

House Bill No. 265:

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Protestant Episcopal Church in the missionary jurisdiction of Southern Florida;

Which was read the third time and put upon its passage.

Upon its passage the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baya, Blitch, Broome, Browne, Fleming, Genovar, Grady, Johnson, Marks, McKay, McKinney, Mc-

Nays—None.

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

Mr. Marks called up:
Senate Bill No. 196:
A bill to be entitled an act to promote immigration in the various counties of Florida, and to provide for the assessment and collection of revenue for these purposes;

Which was read the third time and put upon its passage.

Upon its passage the vote was:


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

Mr. McLeran called up:
House Bill No. 221:
A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the estate of D. R. Elliott, deceased, of Suwannee county, Florida;

Which was read the third time and put upon its passage.

Upon its passage the vote was:

Nays—Mr. Wolfe—1.

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

Mr. Morrow called up:
Senate Bill No. 249:
A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Central Peninsula Muck Mining and Development company;

Which was read the third time.

Mr. Wolfe asked and granted unanimous consent to amend the title of the bill as follows: “And to define its business and powers,” and the Secretary was directed to make the change.

The bill was then put upon its passage.

Upon its passage the vote was:

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as amended.
Mr. Morrow 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.

Mr. Myers called up:

Senate Bill No. 166:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 936 of the Revised Statutes of Florida relating to the protection of ports and harbors;

Which was read the third time and put upon its passage.

Upon its passage the vote was:


Nays—None.

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

Mr. Reeves called up:

Senate Bill No. 307:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide school sub-districts in counties and towns, and to provide for the levying and collection of taxes for the support of schools in such sub-districts;

Which was read the third time and put upon its passage.

Upon call of the roll the vote was:


So the bill passed, title as stated.

Mr. Reeves 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.

Pending further consideration of bills on third reading

Mr. Genovar, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:
for the signature of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

Very respectfully,

F. B. GENOVAR,
Chairman Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, Fla., May 29, 1893.

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,
President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

An act to re-enact an act entitled an act to incorporate the Arcadia, Gulf Coast and Lakeland Railroad Company, and to grant certain lands to the same.

Also,

An act to require persons killing hogs or sheep for market, to exhibit the mark of such hogs or sheep.

Also,

An act prescribing the period of time for which a defendant shall be imprisoned for failing or refusing to give bond or comply with the judgment of the court in bastardy cases.

Also,

An act to prevent the sale of State property by the superintendents and presidents of State institutions.

Also,

An act to abolish the present corporation of Plant City, Fla., and to establish a municipal government for said town.

Also,

An act to authorize the municipality of Jacksonville, to issue bonds and provide for the payment thereof.

Also,

An act to allow husband or wife to testify in all criminal cases where one or the other is a defendant.

Also,

An act to prescribe the compensation to be paid jurors and witnesses serving in the courts of this State, and to provide for summoning defendants' witnesses.

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

Very respectfully,

F. B. GENOVAR,
Chairman of Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Enrolled Bills.

The President gave notice that he was about to sign

An act to fix the number and provide for the election of the municipal officers of the provisional municipality of Pensacola, Fla., and to prescribe their terms of office and regulate their compensation and duties.

Also,

An act to be entitled an act to define what cities shall im-
pound cattle and to prohibit the driving of them within the corporate limits.

Also,
An act to incorporate the Florida Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South.

Also,
An act to better protect the oyster beds of this State.

Also,
An act to prohibit the shooting, seining or trapping of fish in the waters of certain lakes in the county of Polk, and to provide a penalty for violation of the same.

Also,
An act to organize a county court in and for the county of Polk, to prescribe its jurisdiction and powers, to provide for the appointment of a prosecuting attorney and for the compensation of judge and county attorney.

Also,
An act to establish the Fernandina general hospital at Fernandina, Florida.

Also,
An act to protect the diamondback terrapin of Florida.

Also,
An act to amend section 8 of an act to incorporate the Chipola and Chippewa Lake Railroad company, approved June 5, 1891.

Also,
An act to prescribe the compensation to be paid jurors and witnesses serving in the courts of this state, and to provide for summoning defendants’ witnesses.

Also,
An act to prevent the sale of State property by the superintendents and presidents of state institutions.

Also,
An act to abolish the present corporation of Plant City, Fla., and to establish a municipal government for said town.

Also,
An act to require persons killing hogs or sheep for market to exhibit the mark of such hogs or sheep.

Also,
An act prescribing the period of time for which the defendant shall be imprisoned for failing or refusing to give bond or comply with the judgment of the court in bastardy cases.

Also,
An act to amend section 2 of chapter 4043 of the laws of Florida, an act entitled an act to provide for a board of phosphate commissioners and an inspector of phosphates, and for other purposes.

Also,
An act to regulate the manner in which writs of scire facias shall be served.

Also,
An act to establish the municipality of Port Tampa, provide for its government and prescribe its jurisdiction and powers.

Also,
An act to incorporate and organize a municipal government to be known as San Mateo City and to prescribe its duties and powers.

Also,
An act to amend section 1366 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the times of holding the circuit courts of the first judicial circuit of the State of Florida.

Also,
An act to incorporate the Arcadia, Gulf Coast and Lake-land Railroad company and to grant certain lands to the same.

Also,
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,
An act to punish fishing in the lakes of this State with seines or nets for a term of years.

Also,
An act to authorize the municipality of Jacksonville to issue bonds and provide for the payment thereof.

Also,
An act to allow husband or wife to testify in all criminal cases where one or the other is a defendant.

The acts were thereupon duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate, and ordered returned to the chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to convey to the Governor for his approval.

The Senate thereupon, on motion of Mr. Broome, adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M., Tuesday, May 30, 1893.