

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

The Senate thereupon, on motion of Mr. St. Clair Abrams, adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M., Friday, June 2, 1893.

FRIDAY, JUNE 2, 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, Blich, Borden, Bristol, Broome, Browne, Calhoun, Farmer, Fleming, Genovar, Grady, Johnson, Marks, McKay, McKinne, McKinney, McLeran, Mor-row, Myers, Perrenot, Reeves, Rosborough, Smith, St. Clair Abrams, Summers, Thomas, Wadsworth, William-son and Wolfe—30.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The Journal was corrected and approved.

Mr. Genovar, Chairman Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., JUNE 2, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate :

SIR—Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills,

Beg leave to report that they have examined the following acts:

An act to abolish the present municipal government of the town of Madison, Florida, and to provide a town government therefor.

Also,

An act in relation to the liability of life insurance companies and fire insurance companies in the State of Florida.

Also,

An act in relation to collecting freights by common carriers doing business in this State for consignees of goods, wares and merchandise.

Also,

An act to authorize and empower the Florida Coast Line Canal and Transportation company to surrender and relinquish to the United States its control and chartered rights over and in that portion of its waterway along the Indian river, between Goat creek and Jupiter inlet, and to relieve the said company from its obligation to maintain the said waterway between the points above mentioned, when the United States shall assume the control and improvement thereof. Whereas, an appropriation of fifteen thousand dollars was made for the improvement of Indian river, Florida, between Goat creek and Jupiter inlet, in the first session of the Fifty-second Congress of the United States; and whereas, the said Florida Coast Line Canal and Transportation company has no power under its charter to relinquish and surrender any portion of its waterways to the United States; and whereas, it will be greatly to the interest of the people residing along said waterway and beneficial to commerce and to the public interests of the State at large to have the said waterway improved from time to time as the needs of commerce may require: Now, therefore, in order to make available the appropriations already made and such as may hereafter be made by Congress for the purpose aforesaid.

Also,

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.

Also,

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.

Also,

A Joint Resolution:

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Florida.

Also,

An act to amend section 244, and to repeal section 245 of chapter 1, under title 5 of the Revised Statutes of Florida.

Also,

An act to suppress the illegal sale of spirituous, vinous and malt liquors, and to prescribe a rule of evidence therein;

And find them correctly enrolled, and they have been signed by Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House, and are re-

spectfully presented for the signatures of President and Secretary of Senate.

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 abolish the present municipal government of the town of Madison, Florida, and to provide a town government therefor.

Also,

An act in relation to the liability of life insurance companies and fire insurance companies in the State of Florida.

Also,

An act in relation to collecting freights by common carriers doing business in this State, for consignees of goods, wares and merchandise.

Also,

An act to authorize and empower the Florida Coast Line Canal and Transportation company to surrender and relinquish to the United States its control and chartered rights over and in that portion of its waterway along the Indian river, between Goat creek and Jupiter inlet, and to relieve the said company from its obligations to maintain the said waterway between the points above mentioned, when the United States shall assume the control and improvement thereof.

Whereas, an appropriation of fifteen thousand dollars was made for the improvement of Indian river, Florida, between Goat creek and Jupiter inlet, in the first session of the fifty-second congress of the United States; and

Whereas, the said Florida Coast Line Canal and Transportation company has no power under its charter to relinquish and surrender any portion of its waterways to the United States; and

Whereas, it will be greatly to the interest of the people residing along said waterways and beneficial to commerce and to the public interests of the State at large, to have the said waterways improved from time to time as the needs of commerce may require.

Now, therefore, in order to make available the appropria-

tion already made and such as may hereafter be made by congress for the purpose aforesaid.

Also,

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.

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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.

Also,

A Joint Resolution:

Proposing an amendment to the constitution of the State of Florida.

Also,

An act to amend section 244, and to repeal section 245 of chapter 1, under title 5, of the Revised Statutes of Florida.

Also,

An act to suppress the illegal sale of spirituous, vinous and malt liquors, and to provide a rule of evidence therein.

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.

Introduction of Resolutions, Petitions and Memorials.

By Mr. Genovar:

Senate Resolution No. 73;

Which was read as follows:

Whereas, under a resolution adopted by the Senate several weeks ago, directing the Secretary of the Senate to prepare and revise daily a calendar of bills on their respective readings, providing for compensation without mentioning amount, and

Whereas, it is the sense of this body that all errors found in the pamphlet journal should be indexed and appended to said pamphlet journal, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate is hereby instructed to index and append such errors to the pamphlet journal, and that he be allowed for this work, together with the work of preparing and revising the daily calendar of the Senate, the sum of one hundred dollars, and that the

Sergeant-at-Arms is herewith instructed to enter the same on the pay roll.

Mr. Genovar moved that the resolution be adopted.

Mr. McKinne offered the following amendment:

Strike out all that portion of the resolution which referred to the indexing of the corrections of the pamphlet journal;

Which was accepted.

Mr. Genovar moved that the resolution as amended be adopted;

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

Mr. McKinne moved to reconsider the vote by which the resolution was adopted;

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

Whereupon,

Mr. McKinne moved to re-insert that portion of the resolution stricken out referring to indexing errors in pamphlet journal and that the resolution with this insertion be adopted;

Which was agreed to unanimously.

Messages from the House of Representatives.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 2, 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. 307:

To be entitled an act to provide for school and towns, and to provide for the levying and collection of taxes for the support of schools in such sub-districts.

Also passed,

Senate Bill No. 260:

To be entitled an act to incorporate the Bay Shore Driveway.

Also passed,

Senate Bill No. 305:

To be entitled an act to require railroad companies in this State to erect cattle guards and crossings on their lines of railroad in certain cases.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Senate Bills Nos. 307, 260 and 305, accompanying above message, were referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills to be enrolled.

Also the following message was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 2, 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. 218:

To be entitled an act to incorporate the South American and International Railroad company and to grant certain lands to aid in the construction of the same.

Also have had,

House Bill No. 209:

Relative to cancellation of tax sale certificates, re-engrossed and revised.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 218, accompanying above message, was ordered to be referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills to be enrolled.

Also the following message was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 1, 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. 237:

To be entitled an act to prevent the discrimination in the carrying of passengers and freight by railroad, steamboat and other transportation companies.

Also passed,

Senate Bill No. 230:

To be entitled an act providing a penalty for the larceny of logs or timber of less than one hundred dollars in value.

Also passed,

Senate Bill No. 208:

To be entitled an act to amend section 1370, article 1, chapter 4 of title 3 of part 2, Revised Statutes of Florida, with an amendment thereto.

And would respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate thereto as amended by the House.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Senate Bills Nos. 237 and 230, referred to in the above message, were ordered to be referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills to be enrolled.

Also the following message was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 1, 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. 406:

To be entitled an act to authorize the Governor to hold the annual encampment of the State troops, and for other purposes.

Also passed,

Senate Bill No. 272:

To be entitled an act to aid in the maintenance and support of a home for disabled and indigent ex-Confederate soldiers and sailors.

Also passed,

Senate Bill No. 282:

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

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Senate Bills Nos. 272 and 282, referred to in above message, were referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills to be enrolled.

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—

Senate Bill No. 174:

To be entitled an act preventing the shipment of partridges and quails killed or entrapped in the State of Florida.

Also passed,

Senate Bill No. 227:

To be entitled an act to amend an act to amend chapter 4062, prescribing the times and places for holding circuit courts in the sixth judicial circuit, with amendments and an amendment to the title thereof.

And would respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Senate Bills Nos. 174 and 227, referred to in above message, were referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills to be enrolled.

Also the following message was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 1, 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. 124:

To be entitled an act prescribing a punishment for receiving, removing, buying or otherwise disposing of personal property upon which a lien exists.

Also passed,

Senate Bill No. 117:

Confirm, enlarge and extend the power, rights and franchise of the St. Augustine Bridge company.

Also concurred in,

Senate amendments to House Bills numbered 392 and 139.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Senate Bills Nos. 124 and 117, referred to in above message, were referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills to be enrolled.

Mr. McKay moved that the amendment of the House to Senate Bill No. 208 be concurred in;

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

The Secretary was directed to notify the House of the concurrence of the Senate thereto, and the bill was ordered referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Calhoun moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 209 be read the third time and put upon its passage;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Whereupon,

House Bill No. 209 (transmitted with message):

A bill to be entitled an act relative to cancellation of tax sale certificates,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

Upon its passage the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baya, Blitch, Borden, Bristol, Browne,

Calhoun, Fleming, Johnson, McKinne, McKinney, McLeran, Morrow, Perrenot, Rosborough, Smith, St. Clair Abrams, Thomas, Wadsworth and Wolfe—19.

Nays—None.

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

Mr. Wolfe moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 406 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.

Mr. Genovar, Chairman of Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 1, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

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

An act to abolish the present municipal government of the town of Madison, Florida, and to provide a town government therefor.

Also,

An act in relation to the liability of life insurance companies and fire insurance companies in the State of Florida.

Also,

An act in relation to collecting freights by common carriers doing business in this State for consignees of goods, wares and merchandise.

Also,

An act to authorize and empower the Florida Coast Line Canal and Transportation Company to surrender and relinquish to the United States its control and chartered rights over and in that portion of its waterway along the Indian river, between Goat creek and Jupiter inlet, and to relieve the said company from its obligations to maintain the said waterway between the points above mentioned, when the United States shall assume the control and improvement thereof.

Whereas, An appropriation of fifteen thousand dollars was made for the improvement of Indian river, Florida, between Goat creek and Jupiter inlet, in the first session of the 52d Congress of the United States; and,

Whereas, The said Florida Coast Line Canal and Transportation Company has no power under its charter to relinquish and surrender any portion of its waterways to the United States; and,

Whereas, It will be greatly to the interest of the people residing along said waterway and beneficial to commerce and to the public interests of the State at large to have the said waterway improved from time to time as the needs of commerce may require;

Now, therefore, in order to make available the appropriation already made and such as may hereafter be made by Congress for the purpose aforesaid.

Also,

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.

Also,

An act to authorize 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.

Also,

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Florida.

Also,

An act to amend section 244, and to repeal section 245, of chapter 1, under title 5, of the Revised Statutes of Florida.

Also,

An act to suppress the illegal sale of spirituous, vinous and malt liquors and to provide a rule of evidence therein.

Beg leave to report that they have delivered the above acts to the Governor.

Very respectfully,

F. B. GENOVAR,

Chairman Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Genovar, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 2, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

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

An act to incorporate the Central Peninsular Muck Mining and Development company and to define its business and powers.

Also,

An act to provide for the specific performance of certain kinds of contracts made by railroad companies.

Also,

An act concerning verification of the records of deeds and other instruments of writing.

Also,

An act for the protection of sheep and to prohibit dogs roaming at large.

Also,

An act to amend section 15, article 1, chapter 2, of the Revised Statutes.

Also,

An act to amend section 1335 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the distribution of Supreme court reports.

Also,

An act to amend section 843, chapter 7 of the Revised Statutes of Florida, providing for inquiry as to lunacy and insanity.

Also,

An act to amend section 1666, chapter 2, article 1, of the Revised Statutes of Florida, as to right to writ of garnishment.

Also,

An act to establish and keep in good repair the public roads and highways in the counties of Walton and Holmes in this State.

And beg leave to report them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

F. B. GENOVAR,

Chairman Committee on Enrolled Bills.

The acts accompanying the report were referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills for examination and signature.

Messages from the Governor.

The following message from the Governor was read:

STATE OF FLORIDA, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
TALLAHASSEE, June 1, 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 to amend chapter 3781 of the laws of Florida, entitled an act to revoke and abolish the present municipal government of the town of DeLand, and to organize a city government for said town.

An act for the relief of the First National Bank of Gainesville.

An act to amend sections 1363 and 1364, of chapter 3, of title 3, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, defining the fifth and sixth judicial circuits of Florida.

An act to organize and establish a county court in and for the county of Suwannee, to provide for the compensation of the judge of said court, and to provide for the appointment of a prosecuting attorney for said court and to fix his compensation.

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

Very respectfully,

HENRY L. MITCHELL,
Governor.

Also the following:

STATE OF FLORIDA, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
TALLAHASSEE, June 2, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Senate bill entitled an act for the relief of James M. Driver and W. H. Bigham, is herewith returned without my approval.

There is nothing in this bill to show why any sum of money

should be refunded to the parties asking relief. The fact that they procured a license to sell spirituous wines or malt liquors, and that the circuit court subsequently enjoined them from selling, is no evidence that the claim of these parties is just. It may be that the license to sell was procured through some improper method, and if so the money should not be returned to them, or it may be that the injunction should not have been granted, and if so, the parties obtaining the injunction are liable upon their bond. The case is probably still pending before the court awaiting a determination, and if so, the proceedings of the court should not be interfered with.

Very respectfully,

HENRY L. MITCHELL,
Governor.

The President put the question:

Shall the act pass, the objection of the Governor thereto to the contrary notwithstanding?

Upon its passage the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Blich, Borden, McKay, McKinney, McLeran, Rosborough, Summers and Wadsworth—8.

Nays—Messrs. Baya, Broome, Browne, Farmer, Fleming, Johnson, McKinne, Reeves, Smith and Thomas—10.

So the act not having received the required two-thirds vote, failed to pass over the Governor's objections, and the veto was sustained.

Mr. Baya, Chairman of Committee on Conference on Revenue Bill, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 2, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Conference on Revenue Bill respectfully recommend that the Senate do concur in House amendments Nos. 19, 6, 7, 13, 16, 20, 22, 25, 27, 30, 31, 32, 33 and 39, all of which are herewith attached.

And recommend that the House recede from House amendments Nos. 2, 21, 28 and 34, all of which are herewith attached.

Very respectfully,

J. F. BAYA,
Chairman of Committee,

The amendments accompanying the report were as follows:
House Amendment No. 19:

In section 21, line 22, after the word "above," strike out the remainder of the sentence to the period after the word "conveyances" and insert in lieu thereof, the words "describing the same by reference to deed of record, giving the book and page of record as appears in the office of the clerk of the circuit court and if the deed conveying such tract is not recorded, upon its production to the assessor he may describe the land as being that tract, lot, piece or parcel described in a deed executed by the grantor, naming him, to the grantee, naming him, therein, and bearing date, giving date shown by the deed, and such description shall be valid and sufficient for all purposes of the assessment."

Also No. 6,

In section 9, line 178, after the word "dollar," insert "all traveling picture or book agents shall pay a license tax of ten dollars."

Also No. 7,

In section 9, paragraph 11, line 180, after the word "of," insert the word "religious."

Also No. 13,

In section 9, line 229, after the word "profit," insert "in incorporated cities and towns."

Also No. 16,

In section 15, line 11, after the word "of," strike out "May" and insert "April."

Also No. 20,

Strike out section 22 and insert in lieu thereof the following: "The assessor shall ascertain by personal inspection where not already sufficiently acquainted therewith, the value of the lands, and assess them at their full cash value, and set down in the assessment rolls following and opposite the description of the lands, the name of the owner or person in whose name the return is made, and when the land has not been returned, and when the assessor has no means of discovering the name of the owner, the assessor shall enter the word 'unknown' in the column of the assessment roll provided for the name of owners or persons making return. The assessment books as provided by the comptroller, shall contain an alphabetical index in which the assessor shall be required to indicate the name and post office address if it can be ascertained of each person whose name appears upon the assessment roll, and shall indicate opposite such name as

indexed, the pages upon which any tax or taxes may be found to be assessed."

Also No. 22,

In section 25, line 12, after the word "come" strike out "Provided said lands have not been sold since last assessed."

Also No. 25,

In section 36, line 16, strike out "May" and insert "April."

Also No. 27,

In section 43, line 4, after the word "in" strike out "May" and insert "April."

Also No. 30,

In section 25, line 3, after the word "years" insert "or that any land was illegally sold for taxes."

Also No. 31,

And in line 5, same section, after the word "omitted," insert "or was so illegally sold."

Also No. 32,

In section 49, line 2, strike out "May" and insert "April."

Also No. 33,

In section 51, line 1, after the words "day of," strike out "May" and insert "April."

Also No. 39,

Strike out Senate amendments of section 48 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

In section 48, line 30, page 2 of said section, after the words "appurtenances" strike out "including all Pullman, Mann, Wagner or other sleeping and parlor cars hauled by them over their respective lines" and at the end of said section insert the following:

"All sleeping and parlor car companies operating their cars in this State, shall on or before the first day of January, 1894, and annually thereafter, report under oath of the secretary or other officer of such company, the total amount of their gross receipts derived from business done between points in this State and at the same time shall pay into the State treasury the sum of one dollar and fifty cents upon each one hundred dollars of such gross receipts, and if any such company shall fail to make such report and to pay the tax thereon as herein provided, the comptroller shall estimate the amount of such gross receipts from such information as he may be able to obtain and shall add 10 per cent. to the amount of such taxes as a penalty for the failure of such company to make report, and shall proceed to collect such tax, together

with all costs and penalties thereon, the same as other delinquent taxes are collected."

Also No. 2,

In section 9, line 99, after the word "farm," strike out all of paragraph, and insert "manufacturers of cigars or tobacco shall pay a license tax of twenty-five cents for each workman employed in their establishments or places of business."

Also No. 21,

In section 24, line 2, after the word "may," strike out the remainder of the section and insert the following:

"Allow such assistance to the assessor as may be deemed necessary or advisable, upon his application and such help or assistance shall be paid for by the counties where allowed; the amount to be fixed by the county commissioners, to be paid out of the fees or compensation allowed the county assessors in the same manner. When the owner or person making the return of any real estate discovers any error in the assessment or is dissatisfied with the valuation placed thereon by the assessor and shall make complaint thereof to him, the same shall be noted and reported by the assessor to the county commissioners to be reviewed and equalized by them at their meeting held for that purpose."

Also No. 28,

In section 48, line 20, after the word "thereof," insert "and the value of the terminal facilities in their respective counties, which terminal facilities shall be described with sufficient definiteness to enable the assessor to ascertain what lots or tracts of lands are included in that description."

Also No. 34,

In section 58, line 12, after the word "application" strike out all the remainder of line 12, all of line 13, 14 and all of line 15 to "the" and insert "for reduction to the clerk of the circuit court and shall proceed substantially in the same manner as in the redemption of lands sold for State and county taxes."

Mr. Baya moved that the Senate concur in the following House amendments to Senate Bill No. 284, to-wit: Amendments Nos. 19, 6, 7, 13, 16, 20, 22, 25, 27, 30, 31, 32, 33 and 39;

Which was agreed to, and the foregoing House amendments as numbered were concurred in.

Mr. Baya moved that the report of the committee be adopted as to amendments Nos. 2, 21, 28 and 34.

Mr. Wolfe moved to amend by inserting that the Senate do not concur in amendment No. 28.

Mr. Baya moved to amend the amendment of Mr. Wolfe's by striking out the word "not."

Upon which the yeas and nays were demanded.

Upon call of the roll the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baya, Bristol, Broome, Farmer, Fleming, Johnson, Marks, McKay, McKinne, McKinney, McLeran, Morrow, Myers, Perrenot, Reeves, Smith, Thomas, Wadsworth and Williamson—19.

Nays—Messrs. Blitch, Borden, Browne, Calhoun, Genovar, Grady, Rosborough, St. Clair Abrams, Summers and Wolfe—10.

So the amendment to the amendment was adopted and House amendment No. 28 was concurred in.

The question recurred upon the original motion of Mr. Baya that the Senate adopt the report of the committee of conference as to Nos. 2, 21, 28 and 34;

Which was agreed to, and the report of the committee was adopted.

Consideration of Bills on Third Reading.

Mr. Rosborough called up:

House Bill No. 414:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize and empower the council of any city or town in this State to enter into an agreement or agreements with gas, electric light or water works companies;

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

Upon its passage the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baya, Blitch, Borden, Bristol, Browne, Farmer, Fleming, Johnson, McKay, McKinne, McKinney, Morrow, Myers, Rosborough, Smith, St. Clair Abrams, Thomas and Wadsworth—18.

Nays—None.

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

Mr. Rosborough moved that the Senate take up messages from the House;

Which was agreed to, and so ordered.

Whereupon,

The following message was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., JUNE 1, 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. 105A:

To be entitled an act to amend section 255, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida,

With the following amendment to the title:

After the word "Florida," insert: "And to define and declare what number of hours shall comprise a school day;" also, to amend the bill by striking out "supervisor of each school" in the seventh line and insert "board of public instruction of each county."

And would respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Mr. Rosborough moved that the Senate concur in the House amendments to Senate Bill No. 105 A;

Which was agreed to, and the amendments were concurred in, and the Secretary directed to notify the House of the concurrence of the Senate therein.

The bill was then referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also the following message was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., JUNE 2, 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. 208:

To be entitled an act to amend section 1370, article 1, chapter 4, title 3, part 2, of the Revised Statutes.

Also passed,

Senate Bill No. 237:

To be entitled an act to prevent the discrimination in the carrying of passengers and freight by railroad, steamboat and other transportation companies.

Also passed,

Senate Bill No. 230:

To be entitled an act providing a penalty for the larceny of logs or timber of less than one hundred dollars in value.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Senate Bills Nos. 208, 237 and 230 were referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills to be enrolled.

Also the following message was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., JUNE 1, 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 directed me to deliver to the Senate the enclosed amendments to Senate Bill No. 212, making appropriations for the expenses of the State government.

House Amendments to Senate Bill No. 212:

1. In Section 1 strike out \$8,000.00 and insert \$6,750.00
2. For Clerk in Attorney General's office, strike out \$500 and insert \$450.
3. For State troops, strike out \$3,000 and insert \$2,000.
For salaries in Executive Department, 1894, strike out \$16,000.00 and insert \$13,500.00.
For Attorney-General, 1894, strike out one thousand and insert seven hundred and fifty.
In Executive Department, six months 1895, strike out \$8,000 and insert \$6,750.00.
In Attorney-General's office, strike out \$500.00 and insert \$375.00.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Mr. McKinne moved that the amendments transmitted with the message be referred to the Conference Committee on Senate Bill No. 212;

Which was agreed to, and so ordered.

Mr. Smith called up:

House Bill No. 415:

To be entitled an act to authorize the Governor to issue pilot licenses to James McKay and others to pilot vessels carrying United States mails;

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

Upon call of the roll the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Blich, Fleming, Genovar, Johnson, Marks, McKay, McKinney, McLeran, Morrow, Reeves, Rosborough, Smith, St. Clair Abrams, Thomas and Wadsworth—15.

Nays—Messrs. Baya, Bristol, Broome, Browne, Calhoun, Grady, McKinne, Perrenot, Williamson and Wolfe—10.

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

Mr. McKay moved that the vote by which the Senate passed House Bill No. 415 be reconsidered.

Mr. Reeves moved to lay the motion to reconsider on the table;

Which was agreed to and the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Mr. Baya moved that the Senate take up

Messages from the House of Representatives;

Which was agreed to and so ordered.

Whereupon,

The following message was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 2, 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. 196:

To be entitled an act to encourage and promote immigration in the various counties of Florida, and for other purposes.

Also passed,

Senate Bill No. 295:

To be entitled an act conferring upon water works companies the right of eminent domain.

And declined to pass,

Senate Bill No. 245:

To be entitled an act to establish an Industrial College for the education of white girls and to appropriate money for the same.

Also declined to pass,

Senate Bill No. 87:

To be entitled an act to discharge and release debtors from liabilities for debts contracted prior to an assignment for the benefit of creditors.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Senate Bills Nos. 196 and 295 were referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also the following message was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 2, 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 receded from House amendments to—

Senate Bill No. 284:

Relative to the assessment and collection of revenue.

Numbers 2, 21, 28 and 34 as incorporated in the report of the joint committee of conference and have adopted the said report.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Mr. St. Clair Abrams moved that the Senate reconsider the action by which the additional amendments to Senate Bill No. 212, reported in message from House above referred to;

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

Mr. St. Clair Abrams moved that the Senate concur in the House amendments to Senate Bill No 212, previously reported from the House;

Which was agreed to, and the House amendments to Senate Bill No. 212 were concurred in.

Mr. St. Clair Abrams called up:

Senate Bill No. 252:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize judges of criminal courts of record to employ stenographers in civil cases;

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

Upon its passage the vote was:

Ye.s—Messrs. Borden, Bristol, Browne, Fleming, Genovar, Johnson, Marks, Myers, McKay, Rosborough, St. Clair Abrams, Summers, Thomas and Williamson—14.

Nays—Messrs. Farmer, McKinne, McKinney, Smith and Wadsworth—5.

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

Mr. St. Clair Abrams introduced the following resolution, Mr. Myers in the chair:

Be it resolved, That the thanks of the Senate are due and are hereby tendered to the Hon. W. H. Reynolds for the very able and dignified and courteous manner in which he has presided over the deliberations of the Senate during the session just ending; be it further

Resolved, That the best and heartiest wishes of the Senate go with the Hon. W. H. Reynolds to his home; that his career in all his undertakings may be as successful as has been his official career as President of the Senate.

Mr. Broome moved that the resolution be adopted;

Which was agreed to unanimously by a rising vote.

The President announced that the hour of 12:30 o'clock had arrived, and that the Senate would go into executive session under the rule.

Whereupon the chamber was cleared, and the doors closed.

At 1:50 o'clock the doors were opened.

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

Mr. President, Messrs. Baya, Blitch, Borden, Genovar, Johnson, Marks, McKinney, McLeran, Morrow, Myers, Perrenot, Reeves, Rosborough, St. Clair Abrams, Summers, Thomas, Williamson and Wolfe—18.

A quorum present.

The Senate thereupon, on motion of Mr. Genovar, took a recess until 4 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

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

A quorum present.

Mr. Genovar, Chairman of Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., JUNE 1, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

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

An act to incorporate the Central Peninsular Muck Mining and Development company and to define its business and powers.

Also,

An act to provide for the specific performance of certain kinds of contracts made by railroad companies.

Also,

An act concerning verification of the records of deeds and other instruments in writing.

Also,

An act for the protection of sheep and to prohibit dogs roaming at large.

Also,

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An act to amend section 15, article 1, chapter 2 of the Revised Statutes.

Also,

An act to amend section 1335 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the distribution of the supreme court reports.

Also,

An act to amend section 843, chapter 7, of the Revised Statutes of Florida, providing for enquiring as to lunacy and insanity.

Also,

An act to amend section 6 of an act entitled an act to amend an act to provide for and encourage the organization of a corps of volunteer militia and enforce their discipline and to further provide for and encourage the organization and discipline of said corps.

Also,

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.

Also,

An act to amend section 1666, chapter 2, article 1 of the Revised Statutes of Florida as to right to writ of garnishment.

Also,

An act to establish and keep in good repair the public roads and highways in the counties of Walton and Holmes in this State.

Also,

An act disallowing fees in cases before committing magistrates, when informations are not filed nor indictments found.

Also,

An act to repeal sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 11 of an act entitled an act to revoke and abolish the charter of the town of Gainesville in certain respects and to reorganize a city government therefor, being chapter 4092, approved May 8, 1891.

Also,

An act requiring the county commissioners of the several counties to inspect certain county offices, to cause reports of the transactions of the same to be made, and authorizing them, under certain circumstances, to have the unfinished work of such officers completed.

Also,

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution.

Also,

An act to amend sections 891, 893, 897, 898, 899, 900, 902, 906, 907 and 910, and to repeal sections 892, 894 and 901 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the inspection of fertilizers.

Also,

A concurrent resolution requesting the senators and members of the House of Representatives from Florida in the congress of the United States to procure an investigation by congress of the conduct and judicial acts of Charles Swayne, judge of the United States district court for the northern district of Florida.

Be it left to report them correctly enrolled and that they have been signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of House and are presented for signature of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

Very respectfully,

F. B. GENOVAR,

Chairman Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Enrolled Bills.

The President gave notice that he was about to sign:

An act to amend section 1666, chapter 2, article 1, of the Revised Statutes of Florida, as to right to writ of garnishment.

Also,

An act to establish and keep in good repair the public roads and highways in the counties of Walton and Holmes in this State.

Also,

An act disallowing fees in cases before committing magistrates when informations are not filed nor indictments found.

Also,

An act to repeal sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 11, of an act entitled an act to revoke and abolish the charter of the town of Gainesville in certain respects and to reorganize a city government therefor, being chapter 4092, approved May 8, 1891.

Also,

An act requiring the county commissioners of the several

counties to inspect certain county offices; to cause reports of the transactions of the same to be made and authorizing them under certain circumstances to have the unfinished work of such offices completed.

Also,

An act to incorporate the Central Peninsular Muck Mining and Development company, and to define its business and powers.

Also,

An act to provide for the specific performance of certain kinds of contracts made by railroad companies.

Also,

An act concerning verification of the records of deeds and other instruments in writing.

Also,

An act for the protection of sheep and to prohibit dogs roaming at large.

Also,

An act to amend section 15, article 1, chapter 2 of the Revised Statutes.

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An act to amend section 1335 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the distribution of the Supreme court reports.

Also,

An act to amend section 843, chapter 7 of the Revised Statutes of Florida, providing for inquiry as to lunacy and insanity.

Also,

An act to amend section 6 of an act entitled an act to amend an act to provide for and encourage the organization of a corps of volunteer militia and to enforce their discipline and to further provide for and encourage the organization and discipline of said corps.

Also,

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.

Also,

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution.

Also,

An act to amend sections 891, 893, 897, 898, 899, 900, 902, 906, 907 and 910, and to repeal sections 892, 894 and 901 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the inspection of fertilizers.

Also,

A concurrent resolution requesting the Senators and members of the House of Representatives from Florida in the Congress of the United States to procure an investigation by Congress of the conduct and judicial acts of Charles Swayne, judge of the United States district court for the Northern district of Florida.

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.

Mr. Bitch introduced—

Senate Resolution No. 74;

Which was read as follows:

Resolved, That the action of the Secretary in ordering 500 copies of the daily Journal for the use of the Senate at the beginning of this session is hereby confirmed by this body.

Mr. Bitch moved that the resolution be adopted;

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

Mr. Myers, Chairman of Committee on Internal Improvement Fund, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 2, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your joint committee appointed under Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 43, beg leave to report that they have examined into the subject of such resolution, and recommend the passage of the accompanying concurrent resolution as embodying the views of the committee on the subject.

Very respectfully,

FRED. T. MYERS,

Chairman Senate Committee.

The resolution accompanying the report was read the first and second times as follows:

Senate Concurrent Resolution:

Relating to the Internal Improvement Fund, and certain proposed litigation in relation thereto.

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

That the Attorney-General is hereby directed not to institute legal proceedings under the Senate joint resolution passed by the Legislature in 1891, there being no lands due as stated in the Senate report referred to therein, from any railroad or canal company to the State of Florida, and that the course of the Attorney-General in refraining from such litigation as directed by said resolution, is hereby approved and the trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund are hereby directed to make such investigation as may be necessary, and to take such legal advice as they think fit, to determine if any lands are due and owing to such Internal Improvement Fund by any railroad or canal companies in the State, and if they have good reason to believe so, then to institute legal proceedings to recover the same.

Mr. Myers moved that the resolution be adopted;

Which was agreed to, and the resolution was declared adopted, and ordered certified to the House at once.

Mr. Thomas called up:

House Bill No. 198:

A bill to be entitled an act to enable indigent persons to obtain credit and to secure persons lending money or making advances on goods and chattels, wares or merchandise;

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

Upon its passage the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baya, Blich, Fleming, Johnson, Marks, McKay, McKinne, McKinney, McLeran, Morrow, Myers, Perrenot, Reeves, Rosborough, Smith, Thomas and Wadsworth—17.

Nays—Mr. Borden—1.

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

Mr. Baya called up committee amendment for:

House Bill No. 155:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the appointment of a State inspector of illuminating oils and fluids and define his duties;

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

Upon its passage the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baya, Blich, Borden, Bristol, Fleming, Genovar, Johnson, Marks, McKay, McKinney, McLeran,

Morrow, Perrenot, Reeves, Rosborough, Smith, Thomas and Wadsworth—18.

Nays—None.

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

Mr. Genovar, Chairman of Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 2, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to whom was referred—

An act to incorporate the Central Muck Mining and Development company and to define its business and powers.

Also,

An act to provide for the specific performance of certain kinds of contracts made by railroad companies.

Also,

An act concerning verification of the records of deeds and other instruments in writing.

Also,

An act for the protection of sheep and to prohibit dogs running at large.

Also,

An act to amend section 15, article 1, chapter 2 of the Revised Statutes.

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An act to amend section 1335 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the distribution of the Supreme court reports.

Also,

An act to amend section 843, chapter 7 of the Revised Statutes of Florida, providing for inquiry as to lunacy and insanity.

Also,

An act to amend section 6 of an act entitled an act to amend an act to provide for and encourage the organization of a corps of volunteer militia and enforce their discipline, and to further provide for and encourage the organization and discipline of said corps.

Also,

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.

Also,

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution.

Also,

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Also,

An act to amend section 1666, chapter 2, article 1, of the Revised Statutes of Florida, as to right to writ of garnishment.

Also,

An act to establish and keep in good repair the public roads and highways in the counties of Walton and Holmes in this State.

Also,

An act disallowing fees in cases before committing magistrates when informations are not filed nor indictments found.

Also,

An act to repeal sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 11 of an act entitled an act to revoke and abolish the charter of the town of Gainesville in certain respects, and to reorganize a city government therefor, being chapter 4092, approved May 8, 1891.

Also,

An act requiring the county commissioners of the several counties to inspect certain county offices, to cause reports of the transactions of the same to be made and authorizing them, under certain circumstances, to have the unfinished work of such offices completed.

Also,

Concurrent resolution requesting the senators and members of the House of Representatives from Florida in the Congress of the United States to procure an investigation by congress of the conduct and judicial acts of Charles Swayne, judge of the United States district court for the northern district of Florida, and beg leave to report that the same have been delivered to the governor.

Very respectfully,

F. B. GENOVAR,

Chairman of Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Wadsworth called up:

House Bill No. 68:

A bill to be entitled an act in relation to paying certain witnesses who appear before grand juries;

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

Upon its passage the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baya, Blich, Borden, Bristol, Johnson, Marks, McKay, McKinne, McKinney, McLeran, Morrow, Reeves, Rosborough, St. Clair Abrams, Wadsworth and Wolfe—16.

Nays—Mr. Summers—1.

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

Mr. St. Clair Abrams, Chairman of Committee of Conference, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., JUNE 2, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Special Committee appointed to confer with a similar committee of the House on the House amendments to—

Senate Bill No. 212:

A bill to be entitled an act making appropriations for the expenses of the State government for six months of the year 1893 and for the year 1894, and for six months of the year 1895.

Beg leave to report as a result of such conference that the said committee do recommend that the Senate do concur in the following amendments to said bill:

In Section 1:

Lines 6 and 7, strike out "twenty-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$27,500)" and insert "twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000)."

Line 7, strike out "sixty-five thousand dollars (\$65,000)" and insert "fifty-five thousand dollars (\$55,000)."

Lines 32 and 33, strike out "fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500)," and insert "seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750)."

Lines 33 and 34, strike out the words and figures "for pay

ing sheriffs for executing writs of habeas corpus, one thousand dollars (\$1,000)."

In section 2:

Line 5, strike out "fifty-five thousand dollars (\$55,000)" and insert "fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000)."

Lines 5 and 6, strike out "one hundred and thirty thousand dollars (\$130,000)," and insert "one hundred and ten thousand dollars (\$110,000)."

Lines 26 and 27, strike out "for paying sheriffs for executing writs of habeas corpus one thousand dollars (\$1,000)."

Line 29, strike out "three thousand dollars (\$3,000)" and insert "fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500)."

In section 3:

Lines 5 and 6, strike out "twenty-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$27,500)," and insert "twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000)."

Lines 6 and 7, strike out "sixty-five thousand dollars (\$65,000)" and insert "fifty-five thousand dollars (\$55,000)."

Line 31, strike out "fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500)," and insert "seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750)."

And your committee further recommend that the House do recede from the following amendments:

In section 1:

Lines 8 and 9, strike out "twenty-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$27,500)," and insert "twenty-two thousand five hundred dollars (\$22,500)."

Line 31, strike out "fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500)," and insert "seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750.00)."

Line 35 strike out "fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000)," and insert "thirty-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$37,500)."

In Section 2:

Lines 6 and 7, strike out "fifty-five thousand dollars (\$55,000)," and insert "forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000)."

Lines 25 and 26, strike out "three thousand dollars (\$3,000)" and insert "fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500)."

Lines 30 and 31 strike out "one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000)." and insert "seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000)."

In Section 3:

Lines 7 and 8, strike out "twenty-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$27,500)" and insert "twenty-two thousand five hundred dollars (\$22,500)."

Line 29, strike out "fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500)" and insert seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750)."

Line 33, strike out "fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000)," and insert thirty-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$37,500)."

Very respectfully,

ALEX. ST. CLAIR ABRAMS,

Chairman Senate Conference Committee.

Mr. St. Clair Abrams moved that the report of the committee be adopted;

Which was agreed to, and the report was adopted and the Secretary was directed to inform the House of the action of the Senate.

Mr. St. Clair Abrams called up:

Senate Bill No. 248:

A bill to be entitled an act to prevent unjust discrimination in the rates charged for the transportation of passengers and freights by railroad companies and other common carriers, and to prohibit railroad companies and other common carriers in this State from charging other than just and reasonable rates, and to prevent the granting of any rebate, discounts, overweightes and other special terms or favors to any person firm or corporation, and to provide for damages for violating the conditions of this act, and to punish violations of the same, and to prescribe a mode of procedure and rules of evidence in all cases;

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

Upon its passage the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Blich, Borden, Broome, Genovar, McKinney, McLeran, Rosborough, St. Clair Abrams, Summers, Wadsworth and Wolfe—11.

Nays—Messrs. Baya, Bristol, Fleming, Johnson, Marks, McKay, Morrow, Myers and Perrenot—9.

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

Mr. Summers moved that the Senate take up messages from the House;

Which was agreed to, and so ordered.

Whereupon,

The following message was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 2, 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. 167:

To be entitled an act for the protection of discharged employes and to prevent black-listing and other purposes.

Also passed,

Senate Bill No. 301:

To be entitled an act to define a school year and to provide for the opening and closing of school terms.

Also passed,

Senate Bill No. 297:

To be entitled an act to increase the facilities and improve the transportation throughout the State, and to incorporate the Florida Grand Trunk Railway company.

Also adopted,

Senate Concurrent Resolution:

Relative to the death of General E. Kirby Smith.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

The bills and resolution transmitted with the message were referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also the following message was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 2, 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 receded from House amendments—

Section 1, lines 8 and 9, strike out "27,500" and insert "22,500."

Line 31, strike out "1,500 dollars" and insert "750 dollars."

Line 35, strike out "50,000 dollars" and insert "37,500 dollars," in section 1.

And in Section 2:

In lines 6 and 7, strike out "55,000 dollars" and insert "45,000 dollars."

Lines 25 and 26, strike out "3,000 dollars" and insert "1,500 dollars."

Lines 30 and 31 strike out "100,000 dollars" and insert "75,000 dollars."

And in section 3:

Line- 7 and 8, strike out "27,500 dollars" and insert "22,500 dollars."

Line 29 strike out "1,500 dollars" and insert "750 dollars."

Line 33 strike out "50,000 dollars" and insert "37,500 dollars."

And would respectfully request that the Senate do concur in the following House amendments:

Section 1:

Lines 6 and 7, strike out "27,500 dollars" and insert "25,000 dollars."

Line 7 strike out "65,000 dollars" and insert "50,000 dollars."

In lines 32 and 33 strike out "1,500 dollars" and insert "750 dollars."

In lines 33 and 34, strike out for paying sheriffs executing writs of habeas corpus "1,000 dollars."

In section 2:

In line 5, strike out "55,000 dollars" and insert "50,000 dollars."

In lines 5 and 6, strike out "130,000 dollars" and insert "110,000 dollars."

In lines 26 and 27, strike out "for paying sheriffs executing habeas corpus, 1,000 dollars."

In line 29, strike out "3,000 dollars" and insert "1,500 dollars."

In Section 3:

In lines 5 and 6, strike out "27,500 dollars" and insert "25,000 dollars."

Lines 6 and 7, strike out "65,000 dollars" and insert "55,000 dollars."

In line 31, strike out "1,500 dollars" and insert "750 dollars."

Said amendments to—

Senate Bill No. 212:

Relative to appropriations for State expenses.

The House has also adopted the report of the Committee of Conference.

Very respectfully,
 WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
 Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Also the following message was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
 TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 2, 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—

House Joint Resolution No. 78:

Relating to the adjustment of the Perrine grant.

Also adopted,

House Concurrent Resolution No. 80:

Requesting the Secretary of the Interior not to cause the Fort Jupiter Military Reservation to be sold at public sale, and for other purposes.

Very respectfully,
 WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
 Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 78 was read the first and second times, the rules being waived, and on motion of Mr. McKay was adopted.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 80 was read the first and second times, the rules being waived, and on motion of Mr. Wolfe was adopted.

Mr. Summers called up:

House Bill No. 406:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Governor of the State of Florida to hold the annual encampment of the Florida State troops or any battalion or battalions thereof for the year A. D. 1893, in the city of Chicago, during the World's Columbian exposition;

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

Upon its passage the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baya, Blitch, Calhoun, Fleming, Genovar, Johnson, Marks, McKay, McKinney, McLeran, Morrow, Smith, Summers, Thomas, Wadsworth and Wolfe—16.

Nays—Messrs. McKinne and Myers—2.

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

Mr. Summers, Chairman of Special Committee to investigate several departments, submitted the following report:

TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 2, 1893.

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—House Joint Resolution No. 68, introduced by Mr. Wilder, of Hillsborough, was referred to joint committee to investigate the several departments, under the supervision of the commissioner, but our time devoted to the work for which the committee was specially appointed covered almost the entire session, hence we have had but a few days to look into the important matters embraced in said Joint Resolution No. 68; therefore we respectfully submit the following:

We find that no certificates have issued to private individuals.

As regards certificates, etc., we report as follows:

Time was too short to accomplish anything under the second paragraph of said resolution.

Under third paragraph we report that only the alternate sections within six miles of roads have been withdrawn from sale, and no lands have been withdrawn since the expiration of original charters.

Under paragraph four we find that there are 1,182,088.55 acres in the State not on the tax books which have been certified to railroads. These lands have not yet been patented to the State.

Number of Entry.	Date of Entry.		By whom Entered.	Amount Embraced in Certificate.	Amount that has been patented since certificates were issued.	Balance of land embraced in certificates not patented.
	Month.	Day.				
18,909	March	16	1889	108,971.18	45,000.18	68,911.18
18,816	Oct	4	1888	415,748.65	89,717.02	826,081.63
18,888½	D c.	31	1888	361,680.99	361,680.99
18,901	Feb.	15	1889	155,748.82	155,748.82
18,835	Dec	31	1888	184,400.00	184,400.00
18,775 to 18,780	June	22	1888	148,614.81	16,000.00	132,614.81
18,945	August	6	1890	10,227.12	2,531.00	7,696.12
				1,385,886.57	158,248.02	1,182,088.55

We have nothing to report under paragraph five for lack of time to glean necessary information.

With reference to paragraphs six and seven, we would suggest that it might be necessary to send for persons and papers, in order to arrive at something definite and reliable in this connection.

Your committee fully realizes the vital importance of every feature embraced in resolution No. 68, and regret that they have had no time to enter into and thoroughly work up in detail all that is called for in said resolution.

In this connection we would suggest that this legislature request the legislature of 1895 to adopt, as early in the session as possible a resolution of similar importance, and appoint a committee of its ablest members, empowered to send for persons and papers, so that the entire subject matter may be intelligently investigated and determined.

In addition your committee have learned that the International Railroad and Steamship Company was granted 8,069,144 acres.

Said company has forfeited its charter and has not had any lands reserved for it and has not received an acre. This is known as the Gordon road.

Very respectfully,

O. J. H. SUMMERS,
Chairman on part of Senate.

J. S. OLIVER,
Chairman on part of the House.

Which was ordered spread on the journal.

Mr. McKinne called up:

House Bill No. 246:

A bill to be entitled an act to prescribe the method of indexing all instruments relative to real estate filed for record with the clerk of the circuit court;

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

Upon its passage the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Blitch, Borden, Bristol, Genovar, Johnson, Marks, McKinne, McLeran, Myers, Perrenot, Reeves, Rosborough, Smith, St. Clair Abrams, Thomas, Wadsworth and Wolfe—17.

Nays—None.

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

The Senate thereupon, on motion of Mr. Wolfe, took a recess until 8 o'clock P. M.

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. Baya, Blich, Borden, Bristol, Broome, Browne, Calhoun, Farmer, Fleming, Genovar, Grady, Johnson, Marks, McKay, McKinne, McKinney, McLeran, Morrow, Myers, Perrenot, Reeves, Rosborough, Smith, St. Clair Abrams, Summers, Thomas, Wadsworth, Williamson and Wolfe—30.

A quorum present.

Consideration of Bills on Third Reading.

Mr. Bristol called up:

House Bill No. 274:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of George F. Carlisle of Volusia county;

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

Upon its passage the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baya, Blich, Borden, Bristol, Fleming, Grady, Johnson, Marks, McKinne, McKinney, McLeran, Morrow, Reeves, Rosborough, Smith, Wadsworth and Wolfe—17.

Nays—None.

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

House Bill No. 340:

A bill 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 of damages;

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

Upon its passage the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Blich, Borden, Fleming, Grady, Johnson, Marks, McKay, McKinne, McKinney, McLeran, Morrow, Perrenot, Reeves, Rosborough, Smith, Wadsworth and Wolfe—17.

Nays—None.

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

By permission—

Mr. Grady introduced:

Senate Resolution No. 75:

Which was read as follows:

Be it resolved by the Senate, That whereas the President of the Senate in pursuance of Senate Resolution No. 71, has appointed a clerk to index the Journal of the Senate, and no specified time is stated; therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate, That said clerk be allowed time to complete the work not to exceed thirty days. Said index to be approved by and time certified to by the Attorney-General.

Mr. Grady moved that the resolution be adopted;

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Borden called up:

House Bill No. 330:

A bill to be entitled an act to legalize the incorporation of the town of Citra, in the county of Marion, and to declare the incorporation of the town of Citra valid and of full force and effect;

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

Upon its passage the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Blich, Borden, Bristol, Calhoun, Fleming, Johnson, Marks, McKay, McKinne, McKinney, McLeran, Morrow, Myers, Reeves, Rosborough, Smith, Thomas, Wadsworth and Wolfe—19.

Nays—None.

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

Mr. Blich moved that the rules be waived and that the Senate take up House Bill No. 300 out of its regular order on second reading;

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

House Bill No. 300:

A bill to be entitled an act to legalize the incorporation of the town of Tarpon Springs in the county of Hillsborough and to declare the incorporation of the town of Tarpon Springs of full force and effect.

Mr. Wolfe moved that the rules be waived, and that House Bill No. 300 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. Blitch moved that the rules be further 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. Blitch, Borden, Bristol, Broome, Browne, Calhoun, Grady, Johnson, Marks, McKay, McKinne, McKinney, McLeran, Morrow, Myers, Reeves, Rosborough, Smith, St. Clair Abrams, Wadsworth and Wolfe—21.

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. Browne moved that the rules be waived and that the Senate do now go into executive session;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Whereupon at 8:35 o'clock the chamber was cleared and the doors closed.

At 8:55 o'clock the doors were opened.

The roll was again called, and the following senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Messrs. Baya, Blitch, Borden, Bristol, Browne, Calhoun, Fleming, Genovar, Grady, Johnson, Marks, McKay, McKinne, McKinney, McLeran, Morrow, Myers, Perrenot, Reeves, Rosborough, Smith, St. Clair Abrams, Summers, Thomas, Wadsworth and Wolfe—27.

A quorum present.

Mr. Wolfe moved that messages from the House be considered;

Which was agreed to, and so ordered.

Whereupon,

The following message was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 2, 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. 269:

To be entitled an act in relation to liens of material men. Also adopted,

Senate Concurrent Resolution:

Relating to the Internal Improvement Fund and certain proposed litigation in relation thereto.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 269, and

Senate Concurrent Resolution:

Relating to Internal Improvement Fund, etc.,

Were ordered referred to Committee on Enrolled Bills to be enrolled.

Mr. Reeves moved that the rules be waived and that the Senate take up House Bill No. 383 out of its regular order on second reading;

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

House Bill No. 283:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend sections 2761, 2766 and 2767 of the Revised Statutes of Florida,

Was read the second time in full, together with the amendments offered by the Committee on Fisheries;

Which were as follows.

In the title after the word "2761" insert "referring to persons not resident for twelve months catching food fishes for exportation."

In the title after the word "2766" insert "referring to fishing without license."

In the title after the word "2770" insert "referring to citizens of the State of Florida combining with non-residents to evade fishing license law."

In section 1 after the word "State" insert the words "of Florida."

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

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

Mr. Reeves moved that the rules be further 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. Borden, Bristol, Broome, Browne, Grady, Johnson, Marks, McKinne, McKinney, McLeran, Morrow, Perrenot, Reeves, Rosborough, Smith, Thomas, Williamson and Wolfe—18.

Nays—None.

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

Mr. Wolfe moved that the rules be waived and that the Senate take up House Bill No. 182 out of its regular order on second reading;

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

House Bill No. 182:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the amendment of bonds in certain cases.

Mr. Wolfe 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 moved that the rules be further 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. Blich, Borden, Bristol, Broome, John-

son, Marks, McKinne, McKinney, McLeran, Morrow, Reeves, Rosborough, Smith, Thomas, Wadsworth, Williamson and Wolfe—17.

Nays—None.

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

Mr. Rosborough moved that the rules be waived and that the Senate take up House Bill No. 384 out of its regular order;

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

House Bill No. 384:

To incorporate the Terra Ceia College and University association.

Mr. Rosborough moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 384 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. Rosborough moved that the rules be further 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. Blich, Borden, Bristol, Broome, Fleming, Johnson, McKay, McKinne, McKinney, McLeran, Myers, Perrenot, Reeves, Rosborough, St. Clair Abrams, Thomas and Wolfe—17.

Nays—None.

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

Mr. Myers moved that the rules be waived and that the Senate take up House Bill No. 253 out of its regular order on second reading;

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

House Bill No. 253:

A bill to be entitled an act to appoint inspectors of weights and measures and for other purposes.

Mr. Myers moved that the rules be waived and that House

Bill No. 253 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. Myers moved that the rules be further 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, Blich, Bristol, Broome, Browne, Grady, Johnson, Marks, McKay, McKinne, McKinney, McLeran, Morrow, Myers, Perrenot, Reeves, Rosborough, St. Clair Abrams, Summers, Thomas, Wadsworth and Wolfe—22.

Nays—None.

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

Message from the Governor.

The following message from the Governor was read:

STATE OF FLORIDA, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
TALLAHASSEE, JUNE 2, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I have the honor to inform you that I have this day signed the following:

An act to amend sections 568 and 570 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, concerning annuities for disabled soldiers and sailors of the State of Florida.

An act to amend section 1335 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the distribution of Supreme court reports.

An act to amend section 1666, chapter 2, article 1, of the Revised Statutes of Florida, as to right to writ of garnishment.

An act to incorporate the Central Peninsular Muck Mining and Development company, and to define its business and powers.

An act to amend section 843, chapter 7, of the Revised Statutes of Florida, providing for inquiry as to lunacy or insanity.

An act to amend section 15, article 1, chapter 2 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, defining the boundary line between Washington and Jackson counties.

An act to establish and keep in good repair the public roads and highways in the counties of Walton and Holmes in this State.

An act concerning the verification of the records of deeds and other instruments of writing.

And,

An act for the protection of sheep, and to prohibit dogs running at large.

And I have filed the same with the Secretary of State.

Very respectfully,

HENRY L. MITCHELL,

Governor.

Mr. St. Clair Abrams moved that the rules be waived and that the Senate take up House Joint Resolution No. 48 out of its regular order;

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

House Joint Resolution No. 48:

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution,

Was read the second time in full.

Mr. Perrenot moved that the rules be further waived and that the joint resolution be read the third time;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote and so ordered, and the joint resolution was read the third time.

Pending its reading—

Mr. Summers moved that the joint resolution be passed informally and that the Senate take up messages from the House;

Which was agreed to, and so ordered.

Whereupon,

The following message was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., JUNE 2, 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 passed—

Senate Bill No. 303:

A bill to be entitled an act to grant certain aid to the Bartow and Plant City Railroad company and to extend its powers and franchises.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Also the following message was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., JUNE 2, 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. 216:

To be entitled an act to make bills of exception evidence in certain cases.

Also passed,

Senate Bill No. 241:

To be entitled an act to appropriate money to carry out a joint resolution setting apart lands for the Indians in South Florida.

With amendment thereto by the House.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Senate Bills Nos. 303 and 216 were ordered enrolled.

Mr. Wolfe moved that the amendment of the House to Senate Bill No. 241 be concurred in;

Which was agreed to, and the amendment was concurred in and the Secretary directed to inform the House of its action.

Mr. McKay called up:

House Bill No. 196:

A bill to be entitled an act for the protection of domestic fowls and to prescribe rules and regulations for the same;

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

Upon its passage the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Fleming, McKay and McLeran—3.

Nays—Messrs. Baya, Blitch, Borden, Bristol, Broome, Browne, Grady, Johnson, Marks, McKinne, McKinney, Morrow, Perrenot, Smith, Summers, Williamson and Wolfe—17.

So the bill failed to pass.

Mr. Wolfe moved that the rules be waived and that the Senate take up House Bill No. 353 out of its regular order on second reading;

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

House Bill No. 353:

A bill to be entitled an act to make persons trapping in the open forest liable for damages for same in certain cases.

Mr. Wolfe moved that the rules be waived, and that House Bill No. 353 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 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. Blitch and St. Clair Abrams—2.

Nays—Messrs. Baya, Borden, Bristol, Broome, Browne, Johnson, McKinne, McKinney, McLeran, Perrenot, Reeves, Rosborough, Smith, Summers, Thomas, Williamson and Wolfe—17.

So the bill failed to pass.

By permission—

Mr. Summers introduced:

Senate Resolution No. 80;

Which was read as follows:

Resolved, That from and after the adoption of this resolution no bills or resolutions on third reading shall be considered by the Senate.

Mr. Summers moved that the resolution be adopted;

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

Mr. Summers moved that the Senate reconsider the vote by which the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Borden moved to lay the motion to reconsider on the table;

Which was agreed to, and the resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Blitch, Chairman of Special Committee on Morrill Fund, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 2, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Special Committee appointed to inquire into the manner in which the Morrill fund has been drawn from the treasury.

Beg leave to report that they have investigated the same, and find that it has been paid out on proper vouchers.

Respectfully submitted,

L. J. REEVES,
Chairman.

N. A. BLITCH,
J. E. BROOME.

At this juncture, Mr. Williamson, on behalf of the Senate, in a few elegant remarks presented to the President of the Senate, a beautiful silver tankard, with waiter and two goblets as a token of their esteem and good-will.

Mr. Williamson was followed by Mr. St. Clair Abrams, Mr. Browne, Mr. McKinne, Mr. Marks, Mr. Grady, Mr. Perrenot, Mr. Baya, Mr. Borden and others

The President most feelingly responded.

The following resolution of the attaches was presented by Secretary Finley and read:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, June 2, 1893. }

At a meeting of the officers and attaches of the Senate of Florida held this afternoon, the following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, the officers and attaches of the present session of the Senate of the State of Florida have ever received at the hands of the president and each individual member of that body the utmost kindness and courtesy; and,

Whereas, our relations have at all times been of the most pleasant and cordial nature; therefore be it

Resolved, That in bidding adieu to the Senators of Florida, we take this occasion to publicly express to them our grateful appreciation of the uniform courtesy invariably extended to us, and to assure them that it will be ever fresh and bright in our memory while life lasts.

C. A. FINLEY,

Chairman of meeting of Senate officers and attaches.

Mr. Broome arose and presented the Hon. Jeff. B. Browne with a chastely designed silver gavel with ebony handle, and in his remarks stated that the intention had been to present the gavel to Mr. Browne at the close of the Legislature of 1891, but it had not been received in time for that occasion.

Mr. Browne responded.

The following message from the House was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
TALLAHASSEE FLA., June 2, 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. 312:

To be entitled an act to incorporate the Peninsular and Oriental Express company.

And adopted,

Senate Concurrent Resolution:

Establishing a coaling station at the harbor of Canaveral.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Also the following message was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 2, 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. 190:

To be entitled an act to provide for the appointment of county solicitors in certain cases in counties where criminal courts of record are established.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Senate Bills Nos. 312 and 190 and the resolution were ordered enrolled.

Also the following message was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., JUNE 2, 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 Memorial No. 56:

Relative to a lighthouse at Hillsborough inlet.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Memorial was referred to Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Genovar, Chairman of Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., JUNE 2, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

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

An act to prevent the discrimination in the carrying of passengers and freight by railroad, steamboat and other transportation companies.

Also,

Senate Joint Resolution No. 73:

Also,

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 70.

Also,

Senate Bill No. 105 A:

An act to amend section 255 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida.

Also,

Senate Bill No. 208:

An act to amend section 1370, article 1, chapter 4 of title 3 of part 2 of the Revised Statutes of Florida.

Also,

Senate Bill No. 196:

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.

Also,

House Bill No. 392:

An act to amend section 938 of the Revised Statutes of Florida.

Also,

Senate Bill No. 227:

An act to amend an act to amend chapter 4062, prescribing the times and places for holding circuit courts in the sixth judicial circuit.

An act providing a penalty for the larceny of logs or timber of less than one hundred dollars in value.

Also,

An act to authorize and empower the council of any city or town of this State to enter into an agreement or agreements with gas, electric lights or waterworks companies.

Also,

An act to regulate the carrying of firearms.

Also,

An act to define a school year and to provide for the opening and closing of school terms.

Also,

An act to provide for the removal of cases from the circuit courts to criminal courts of record and to county courts.

Also,

An act to provide for the redemption and cancellation of tax sale certificates held by the State for taxes due for the year 1890 and previous years.

Also,

An act declaring the town of St. Petersburg, in the county of Hillsborough to be a legally incorporated town.

Also,

An act prescribing the qualifications of jurors, the manner of selecting and drawing the same and fixing the number which shall constitute a grand jury.

Also,

An act to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act to establish the municipality of Key West, and provide for its government and prescribe its jurisdiction.

Also,

An act to incorporate the Bay Shore driveway.

Also,

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.

Also,

An act to confirm, enlarge and extend the powers, rights and franchises of the St. Augustine Bridge company.

Also,

An act to legalize the incorporation of the town of Dunnellon, in the county of Marion, and to declare the incorporation of the town of Dunnellon valid and of full force and effect.

Also,

An act relative to the receipt, shipment and delivery of freight by railroad companies and other common carriers and to compel railroad companies to transport and return cars received from connecting lines, and to require connecting lines of railroad to construct sidings and connections with each other's lines.

Also,

Memorial to Congress asking for a mail route from Braidentown, Manatee county, to Arcadia, DeSoto county.

Also,

An act in aid of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals and to increase their efficiency.

Also,

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.

Also,

An act to require railroad companies in this State to erect cattle guards and crossings on their lines of railroad in certain cases.

Also,

An act preventing the shipment of partridges and quails killed or entrapped in the State of Florida.

Also,

An act prescribing a punishment for receiving, removing, buying or otherwise disposing of personal property upon which a lien exists.

Also,

An act to aid in the maintenance and support of a home for disabled and indigent ex-Confederate soldiers and sailors.

Also,

An act conferring upon waterworks companies the right of domain.

Also,

An act for the relief of physicians and officers of Taylor county who performed services in connection with the arrest of John D. Cox, for the murder of Lucius Henderson, July 2, 1888.

Also,

Memorial to Congress in regard to Alligator Harbor.

Also,

An act declaring St. Sebastian river navigable.

Also,

An act to incorporate the South American and International Railroad company, and to grant certain lands to aid in the construction of the same.

Also,

An act for the assessment and collection of revenue.

Also,

An act making appropriations for the expenses of the State government for six months of the year 1893 and for the year 1894, and for six months of the year 1895.

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

Very respectfully,

F. B. GENOVAR,

Chairman of Committee on Enrolled Bills.

The said acts were referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills for examination.

Mr. Genovar, Chairman of Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 2, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

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

An act to prevent the discrimination in the carrying of passengers and freight by railroad, steamboat and other transportation companies.

Also,
Senate Joint Resolution No. 73.

Also,
Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 70:
Relative to the death of E. Kirby Smith.

Also,
An act to amend section 255 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida.

Also,
An act to amend section 1370, article 1, chapter 4 of title 3 of part 2 of the Revised Statutes of Florida.

Also,
An act to encourage and to promote immigration in the various counties of Florida, and to provide for the assessment and collection of revenue for these purposes.

Also,
An act to amend section 938 of the Revised Statutes of Florida

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Also,
An act providing a penalty for the larceny of logs or timber of less than one hundred dollars in value.

Also,
An act to authorize and empower the council of any city or town of this State to enter into an agreement or agreements with gas, electric light or waterworks companies.

Also,
An act to regulate the carrying of firearms.

Also,
An act to define a school year and to provide for the opening and closing of school terms.

Also,
An act to provide for the removal of cases from the circuit courts to criminal courts of record and to county courts.

Also,
An act to provide for the redemption and cancellation of tax sale certificates held by the State for taxes due for the year 1890 and for previous years.

Also,
An act declaring the town of St. Petersburg, in the county of Hillsborough, to be a legally incorporated town.

Also,
An act prescribing the qualifications of jurors, the manner of selecting and drawing the same and fixing the number which shall constitute a grand jury.

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

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Also,
An act to confirm, enlarge and extend the power, rights and franchises of the St. Augustine Bridge company.

Also,
An act to legalize the incorporation of the town of Dunnellon, in the county of Marion, and to declare the incorporation of the town of Dunnellon valid and of full force and effect.

Also,
An act in relation to the receipt, shipment and delivery of freight by railroad companies and other common carriers, and to compel railroad companies to transport and return cars received from connecting lines and to require connecting lines of railroad to construct sidings and connections with each other's lines.

Also,

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Also,

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Also,

An act for the assessment and collection of revenue.

Also,

An act making appropriations for the expenses of the State government for six months of the year 1893 and for the year 1894, and for six months of the year 1895.

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

Very respectfully,

F. B. GENOVAR,

Chairman of Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

The said acts were referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to present to the Speaker of the House for signature.

Mr. Genovar, Chairman of Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 2, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

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

An act to prevent the discrimination in the carrying of passengers and freight by railroad, steamboat and other transportation companies.

Also,

Senate Joint Resolution No. 73:

Also,

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 70:

Relative to the death of E. Kirby Smith.

Also,

An act to amend section 255 of the Revised Statutes of Florida.

Also,

An act to amend section 1370, article 1, chapter 4, of title 3, of part 2 of the Revised Statutes of Florida.

Also,

An act to encourage and to promote immigration in the

various counties of Florida and to provide for the assessment and collection of revenue for these purposes.

Also,

An act to amend section 938 of the Revised Statutes of Florida.

Also,

An act to prescribe the times and places for holding the circuit courts in the sixth judicial circuit of the State of Florida.

Also,

An act providing a penalty for the larceny of logs or timber of less than one hundred dollars in value.

Also,

An act to authorize and empower the council of any city or town in this State to enter into an agreement or agreements with gas, electric light or waterworks companies.

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An act to regulate the carrying of firearms.

Also,

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Also,

An act to provide for the redemption and cancellation of tax sale certificates held by the State for taxes due for the year 1890 and previous years.

Also,

An act declaring the town of St. Petersburg, in the county of Hillsborough, to be a legally incorporated town.

Also,

An act prescribing the qualifications of jurors, the manner of selecting and drawing the same, and fixing the number which shall constitute a grand jury.

Also,

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

Also,

An act to incorporate the Bay Shore driveway.

Also,

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.

Also,

An act to confirm, enlarge and extend the power, rights and franchises of the St. Augustine Bridge company.

Also,

An act to legalize the incorporation of the town of Dunnellon in the county of Marion, and to declare the incorporation of the town of Dunnellon valid and of full force and effect.

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Be it leave to report that they have been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives and herewith present them for the signature of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

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Chairman of Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

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An act making appropriations for the expenses of the State government for six months of the year 1893 and for the year 1894, and for six months of the year 1895.

Whereupon the above acts were duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate and referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to convey to the Governor for his approval.

Mr. Genovar, Chairman of Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., JUNE 2, 1893. }

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President of the Senate:

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Beg leave to report that they have delivered the same to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

F. B. GENOVAR,

Chairman Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Genovar, Chairman Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 1, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

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

An act in relation to liens of material men.

Also,

Senate Concurrent Resolution:

Relating to the Internal Improvement Fund and certain proposed litigation in relation thereto.

Also,

An act for the protection of discharged employes and to prevent blacklisting and for other purposes.

Also,

An act to increase the facilities and improve the transportation throughout the State, and to incorporate the Florida Grand Trunk Railway company.

Beg leave to report them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

F. B. GENOVAR,

Chairman of Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

And the said acts were referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to present to the Speaker of the House of Representatives for signature.

Mr. Genovar, Chairman of Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 2, 1893.

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

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

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Also,

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Also,

An act to increase the facilities and improve the transportation throughout the State, and to incorporate the Florida Grand Trunk Railway company.

Beg leave to report them correctly enrolled and that they have been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk, and respectfully present them for the signature of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

Very respectfully,

F. B. GENOVAR,

Chairman of Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

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An act to increase the facilities and improve the transportation throughout the State, and to incorporate the Florida Grand Trunk Railway company.

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.

Mr. Genovar, Chairman of Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., JUNE 2, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

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An act to increase the facilities and improve the transportation throughout the State, and to incorporate the Florida Grand Trunk Railway company.

Beg leave to report that they have delivered the same to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

F. B. GENOVAR,

Chairman of Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

By permission—

Mr. Summers introduced:

Senate Resolution No. 85;

Which was read as follows:

Mr. Summers moved that the resolution be adopted;

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

The following message from the Governor was read:

STATE OF FLORIDA, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
TALLAHASSEE, June 2, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I have the honor to inform you that I have this day signed the following:

An act prescribing a punishment for receiving, removing, buying, selling or otherwise disposing of personal property upon which any lien exists.

An act to aid in the maintenance and support of a home for disabled and indigent ex-Confederate soldiers and sailors.

An act conferring upon waterworks companies the right of eminent domain.

An act preventing the shipment of partridges and quails killed or entrapped in the State of Florida.

An act to require railroad companies in this State to erect cattle guards and crossings on their lines of railroad in certain cases.

An act to create a corporation to be named the Industrial Insurance and Banking company and to confer certain privileges thereon.

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

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.

An act to confirm, enlarge and extend the power, rights and franchise of the St. Augustine Bridge company.

An act to incorporate the Bay Shore Driveway,
And

An act to incorporate the South American and International Railroad company, and to grant certain lands to aid in the construction of the same.

And I have filed the same with the Secretary of State.

Very respectfully,

HENRY L. MITCHELL,

Governor.

Mr. McKinne introduced:
Senate Resolution No. 90;
Which was read as follows:

Resolved by the Senate, the House concurring, that the Legislature adjourn sine die at 12 o'clock P. M.

Mr. McKinne moved that the resolution be adopted;

Which was agreed to, and the resolution was declared adopted and ordered certified to the House at once.

Mr. Blich introduced:

Senate Resolution No. 93;

Which was read as follows:

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate are hereby extended to Mr. John G. Collins, contractor for State printing, for his unwearied and successful performance of his duties, and the careful, prompt and faithful manner in which he has endeavored to meet the difficult requirements of his position.

Mr. Blich moved that the resolution be adopted;

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

Mr. McLeran introduced:

Senate Resolution No. 92;

Which was read as follows:

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate are hereby extended to Mr. C. A. Finley, Secretary, Mr. Lamont Bailey, Assistant Secretary, Mr. W. L. Colson, reading secretary, and Mr. Fred. L. Robertson, assistant reading secretary; H. C. McRae, sergeant-at-arms, and other attaches for their uniform courtesy to the Senators and fidelity to duty.

Mr. Morrow moved that the resolution be adopted;

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

Mr. Genovar, Chairman of Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 2, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

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

An act in relation to the taking, damaging, injuring or destroying of private property or right-of-way by any corporation, municipal or individual to or for its or his uses, and to ascertain damages therefor.

Also,

An act for the protection of the manatee or sea cow;

Also,

An act in relation to liens of material men.

Also,

An act for the protection of discharged employes and to prevent blacklisting and for other purposes.

Also,

An act to grant certain aid to the Bartow and Plant City Railroad Company, and to extend its powers and franchises.

Also,

An act to appropriate money to carry out a joint resolution setting apart lands for the Indians in South Florida.

Also,

An act to make bills of exception evidence in certain cases.

Also,

Senate Concurrent Resolution:

Relating to the Internal Improvement Fund and certain litigation in relation thereto.

Also,

An act to increase the facilities and improve the transportation throughout the State, and to incorporate the Florida Grand Trunk Railway company.

Also,

An act in relation to paying certain witnesses who appear before grand juries, prosecuting attorneys and committing magistrates.

Also,

An act requiring persons running or operating log or timber carts on the public roads in this State to keep the portion of such roads used by them in repair.

Also,

An act to authorize the Governor to issue pilot licenses to James McKay and others to pilot vessels carrying United States mails.

Also,

An act to enable indigent persons to obtain credit and to secure persons lending money or making money advances on goods, chattels, wares and merchandise.

Also,

Joint resolution relating to the Perrine grant.

Also,

An act relating to certain contracts for the conditional sale, lease or hire of railroads and street railway equipment and rolling stock, and for the recording thereof.

Also,

An act to authorize the Governor of the State of Florida to hold the annual encampment of Florida State troops or any battalion or battalions thereof for the year 1893 in the city of Chicago, during the World's Columbian exposition.

Also,

An act to prescribe the manner of indexing all instruments for real estate filed for record with the clerks of the circuit court.

Also,

An act to legalize the incorporation of the town of Tarpon Springs in the county of Hillsborough, and to declare the incorporation of the town of Tarpon Springs valid and of full force and effect.

Also,

An act to legalize the incorporation of the town of Citra, in the county of Marion, and to declare the incorporation of the town of Citra valid and of full force and effect.

Also,

A Joint Resolution:

The Secretary of the Interior not to cause the military reservation to be sold at public sale and to urge the Senators and Representatives from Florida in the Congress of the United States to secure the passage by Congress of an act opening the said reservation to homestead entry.

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

Very respectfully,

F. B. GENOVAR,

Chairman of Committee on Enrolled Bills.

The said acts were referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills for examination.

Mr. Genovar, Chairman of Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 2, 1893. }

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President of the Senate:

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The said acts were referred to Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to present to the Speaker of the House for signature.

Mr. Genovar, Chairman of Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

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An act to authorize the Governor of the State of Florida to hold the annual encampment of the Florida State troops, or any battalion or battalions thereof for the year 1893, in the city of Chicago, during the World's Columbian exposition.

Also,

An act to prescribe the method of indexing all instruments relative to real estate filed for record with the clerk of the circuit court.

Also,

An act to legalize the incorporation of the town of Tarpon Springs in the county of Hillsborough, and to declare the incorporation of the town of Tarpon Springs valid and of full force and effect.

Also,

An act to legalize the incorporation of the town of Citra, in the county of Marion, and to declare the incorporation of the town of Citra valid and of full force and effect.

Also,

A Joint Resolution:

The Secretary of the Interior not to cause the military reservation to be sold at public sale and to urge the Senators and Representatives from Florida in the Congress of the United States to secure the passage by Congress of an act opening the said reservation to homestead entry.

Beg leave to report that they have been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives

and herewith present them for the signature of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

Very respectfully,

F. B. GENOVAR,

Chairman of Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

The President announced that he was about to sign the following acts, to-wit:

An act in relation to the taking, damaging, injuring or destroying of private property or right-of-way by any corporation, municipal or individual to or for its or his uses, and to ascertain damages therefor.

Also,

An act for the protection of the manatee or sea-cow.

Also,

An act in relation to liens of material men.

Also,

An act for the protection of discharged employes and to prevent blacklisting and for other purposes.

Also,

An act to grant certain aid to the Bartow and Plant City Railroad company and to extend its powers and franchise.

Also,

An act to appropriate money to carry out a joint resolution setting apart lands for the Indians in South Florida.

Also,

An act to make bills of exception evidence in certain cases.

Also,

Senate concurrent resolution relating to the Internal Improvement fund and certain litigation in relation thereto.

Also,

An act to increase the facilities and improve the transportation throughout the State, and to incorporate the Florida Grand Trunk Railway company.

Also,

An act in relation to paying certain witnesses who appear before the grand juries, prosecuting attorneys and committing magistrates.

Also,

An act to require persons running or operating log or timber carts on the public roads in this State to keep the portion of such roads used by them in repair.

Also,

An act to authorize the Governor to issue pilot licenses to James McKay and others to pilot vessels carrying United States mails.

Also,

An act to enable indigent persons to obtain credit, and to secure persons lending money or making advances for goods and chattels, wares or merchandise.

Also,

A joint resolution relating to the adjustment of the Perrine grant.

Also,

An act relating to certain contracts for the conditional sale, lease or hire of railroads and street railway equipment and rolling stock, and providing for the recording thereof.

Also,

An act to authorize the Governor of the State of Florida to hold the annual encampment of the Florida State troops or any battalion thereof, for the year A. D. 1893, in the city of Chicago, during the World's Columbian exposition.

Also,

An act to prescribe the method of indexing all instruments relative to real estate filed for record with the clerk of the circuit court.

Also,

An act to legalize the incorporation of the town of Tarpon Springs in the county of Hillsborough, and to declare the incorporation of the town of Tarpon Springs valid and of full force and effect.

Also,

An act to legalize the incorporation of the town of Citra, in the county of Marion, and to declare the incorporation of the town of Citra valid and of full force and effect.

Also,

A Joint Resolution:

The Secretary of the Interior not to cause the military reservation to be sold at public sale and to urge the Senators and Representatives from Florida in the congress of the United States to secure the passage by congress of an act opening the said reservation to homestead entry.

Whereupon the above acts were duly signed by the President and Secretary of Senate and referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to convey to the Governor.

Mr. Genovar, Chairman of Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 2, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

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

An act in relation to the taking, damaging, injuring or destroying of private property or right-of-way by any corporation, municipal or individual to or for its or his uses, and to ascertain damages therefor.

Also,

An act for the protection of the manatee or sea-cow.

Also,

An act in relation to liens of material men.

Also,

An act for the protection of discharged employes and to prevent blacklisting and for other purposes.

Also,

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Also,

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Also,

Senate Concurrent Resolution:

Relating to the Internal Improvement Fund and certain litigation in relation thereto.

Also,

An act to increase the facilities and improve the transportation throughout the State, and to incorporate the Florida Grand Trunk Railway company.

Also,

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Also,

A Joint Resolution:

The Secretary of the Interior not to cause the military reservation to be sold at public sale and to urge the Senators and Representatives from Florida in the Congress of the

United States to secure the passage by Congress of an act opening the said reservation to homestead entry.

Beg leave to report that they have delivered the same to the Governor.

Very respectfully,

F. B. GENOVAR,

Chairman of Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Genovar, Chairman of Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 24, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

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

An act to incorporate the Peninsular and Oriental Express company.

Also,

An act to provide for the appointment of county solicitors and assistant county solicitors in certain cases in counties where criminal courts of record are established.

And find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

F. B. GENOVAR,

Chairman Committee on Enrolled Bills.

The bills accompanying the report were placed among the orders of the day.

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 2, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills beg leave to report that they have examined the following acts:

An act to incorporate the Peninsular and Oriental Express company.

Also,

An act to provide for the appointment of county solicitors and assistant country solicitors in certain cases in counties where criminal courts of record are established.

And find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

F. B. GENOVAR,

Chairman Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 2, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

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

An act to incorporate the Peninsular and Oriental Express company.

Also,

An act to provide for the appointment of county solicitors and assistant county solicitors in certain cases in counties where criminal courts of record are established.

Beg leave to report that the same have been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives and respectfully submit the same for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

Very respectfully,

F. B. GENOVAR,

Chairman of Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

The President gave notice that he was about to sign the following acts, to-wit:

An act to incorporate the Peninsular and Oriental Express company.

Also,

An act to provide for the appointment of county solicitors, and assistant county solicitors in certain cases in counties where criminal courts of record are established.

Whereupon the said acts were duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate and were referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills to convey to the Governor for his approval.

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 2, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills beg leave to report that they have delivered the following acts to the Governor:

An act to incorporate the Peninsular and Oriental Express company.

Also,

An act to provide for the appointment of county solicitors and assistant county solicitors in certain cases in counties where criminal courts of record are established.

Very respectfully,

F. B. GENOVAR,

Chairman of Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

In signing the act authorizing the Governor to issue pilot licenses to James McKay and others the bill was referred to the chairman of Committee on Enrolled Bills for correction, to insert the word "have" before the word "complied" in lieu of the word "had."

The correction was made and verbally reported by Mr. F. B. Genovar, Chairman Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. McKinne moved that a committee of three be appointed to wait upon the Governor and notify him that the Senate was about to adjourn and ascertain if he had any more communications to transmit to the Senate;

Which was agreed to, and so ordered.

Messrs. McKinne, Baya and Browne, the committee appointed to await upon the Governor, returned and informed the Senate that he had no further communication to make.

The report was received and the committee discharged.

Committee from the House appeared at the bar of the Senate and notified the Senate that the House was ready to adjourn.

The Committee then retired.

Mr. McKinne moved that a committee of three be appointed to inform the House that the Senate was now ready to adjourn;

Which was agreed to, and so ordered.

Whereupon the President appointed as such committee, Messrs. McKinne, McKay and Wolfe.

The committee retired and after a short absence returned and informed the Senate that they had discharged their duty and asked to be discharged.

The committee was discharged.

The President announced that the hour of 12 o'clock P. M. had arrived, the hour being the Constitutional limit of the session of this Legislature, and sounding the gavel declared the Senate of the Legislature of the State of Florida, A. D. 1893, adjourned sine die.

Confirmations.

Albert W. Gilchrist, Arcadia, Fla., to be Brigadier General of the Florida militia.

William A. Hocker, Ocala, Fla., to be Judge of the Circuit Court in and for the Fifth Judicial Circuit of the State of Florida for the term of six years.

Benjamin P. Calhoun, Palatka, Fla., to be Solicitor of the County Criminal Court of Record in and for Putnam county, Fla., for the term of four years.

To be County Commissioners for Orange county: A. C. Martin, Sanford, Fla.; J. T. Chapman, Zellwood, Fla.; C. O.

Warner, Clermont, Fla.; J. A. McDowell, Orlando, Fla.; R. A. Mills, Chuluota, Fla.

To be County Commissioners for St. Johns county: William A. Mickler, St. Augustine, Fla.; James Masters, Armstrong, Fla.; Charles F. Bailey, Moultrie, Fla.; B. Genovar, St. Augustine, Fla.; R. J. Oliver, St. Augustine, Fla.

To be County Commissioners for Wakulla county: William H. Harrell, St. Marks, Fla.; Thomas J. Raker, Crawfordville, Fla.; William H. Walker, Crawfordville, Fla.; George W. Nazworth, Crawfordville, Fla.; Peter Roddenburg, Sopchoppy, Fla.

To be Pilot Commissioners in and for the port of Key West, Fla., for the term of four years: R. A. Monsalvatage, Key West, Fla.; Samuel Filer, Key West, Fla.; William V. Bethel, Key West, Fla.

By permission, Mr. Summers, Chairman of Special Committee to investigate the office of the Commissioner of Agriculture, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 30, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your committee appointed to examine the books and records of the office of the Commissioner of Agriculture, having thoroughly investigated every department under his supervision, would respectfully submit the following:

LANDS—1889 and 1890.

Under this head your committee have deemed it proper to present a summary of the transactions in this department from the beginning of Commissioner Wombwell's management of its affairs.

Your committee finds that in the years 1889 and 1890 there were 187,473.77 acres of swamp and overflowed lands patented to the State.

Quantity previously patented, 16,004,198.75 acres. Total patented 16,191,672.52 acres.

Disposed of prior to January 1, 1889, 13,899,299.99 acres. Sold in 1889 and 1890, 23,091.27 acres.

Conveyed to S. I. Wailes on account, as State agent, in 1890, 1,278.19 acres.

Conveyed to John A. Henderson on account, as state selecting agent, in 1889 and 1890, 5,826.85 acres.

Conveyed to railroads in 1889, 256,956.04 acres.
 Conveyed to railroads in 1890, 605,475.06 acres.
 Total disposed of in 1889 and 1890, 892,627.41.
 Total swamp and overflowed lands disposed of up to January 1, 1891, 14,791,927.40 acres.
 Leaving balance on hand January 1, 1891, 1,399,745.12 acres.

INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT LANDS.

During the years 1889 and 1890 there were sold of these lands 32,455.42 acres for \$44,876.68.

SCHOOL LANDS.

It is estimated that on January 1, 1889, there were on hand 439,411.88 acres.

There were sold in 1889 and 1890, 33,249.83 acres.

Balance of school lands on hand January 1, 1891, 406,162.05 acres.

SEMINARY LANDS.

Of these lands there were on hand January 1, 1889, 31,316.70 acres. Sold in 1889 and 1890, 440.84 acres.

Balance of these lands on hand January 1, 1891, 30,875.86 acres.

Under this same head, lands, for the year 1891 and 1892, we find:

That there has been patented to the State of Florida from the United States government, up to December 30, 1890, under act of congress approved September 28, 1850, sixteen million, one hundred and ninety-one thousand six hundred and seventy-two and fifty-two one-hundredths (16,191,672.52) acres of land, and from the 31st day of December, 1890, to the 31st day of December, 1892, there was received from the United States government by the commissioner, three hundred and eighty-two thousand, three hundred and six and sixty-six one hundredths (382,306 66-100) acres by patents.

Out of this number of acres of land patented there has been disposed of prior to 1891, fourteen million, seven hundred and ninety-one thousand, nine hundred and twenty-seven and forty one-hundredths (14,791,927.40) acres, and there was twice or erroneously patented to the State, thirty-one thousand two hundred and eighteen and twenty-six one-hundredths (31,218.26) acres.

There was sold in the year 1891, for cash, one hundred and thirty-two thousand and sixty one and seventy-five one-hun-

dredths (132,061 75-100) acres, for which there was received twenty-four thousand one hundred and twenty-two and twenty-eight one hundredth dollars (\$24,122 28-100); and sold for cash in 1892, twenty-four thousand four hundred and sixty-nine and twenty-five one hundredths (24,469 25-100) acres; for which was received twenty thousand and thirty-six and thirty-six one hundredths dollars (\$20,036 36-100).

Number of acres entered in 1891 and 1892 by S. I. Wailes, agent of the State of Florida for the purpose of procuring the approval and patenting of swamp lands by the General Land office at Washington, D. C., twenty-two thousand five hundred and forty-seven seventy-seven one hundredths (22,547 77-100) acres.

Number of acres entered by John A. Henderson, on his account as State selecting agent in 1891 and 1892, eleven thousand four hundred and ninety six one hundredths (11,490 6-100) acres.

Number of acres conveyed to railroads and canals in 1891, two thousand and forty-one thirty-seven one hundredths (2,041 37-100) acres, and for 1892, two hundred and thirty-four thousand five hundred and eighty-eight sixty-seven one hundredths (234,588 67-100) acres.

Number of acres conveyed to Samuel A. Swann as assignee of E. N. Dickenson in 1892, four thousand and thirty-nine fifty-five one hundredths (4,039 55-100) acres.

Number of acres conveyed to Samuel A. Swann as trustee of the Florida Railroad company, in 1892, eleven thousand four hundred and forty-three fifty one-hundredths (11,443 51-100) acres.

Making a total disposed of in the past two years, 1891 and 1882, of four hundred and forty thousand six hundred and eighty one twenty-two one hundredths (440,681 22-100) acres, and a grand total disposed of for all purposes up to January, 1893, of fifteen million two hundred and sixty-five thousand eight hundred and twenty-seven fifty-eight one hundredths (15,265,827 58-100) acres.

Leaving a balance on hand to be disposed of up to January 1st, 1893, of one million three hundred and eight thousand one hundred and fifty-one sixty one hundredths (1,308,151 60-100) acres by the Commissioner of Agriculture.

CONTRACT LANDS.

In 1891 the board of Internal Improvement made a contract with M. R. Marks, W. L. Palmer, C. G. Butt and others to drain and reclaim unsurveyed lands, for which the State has not yet received patents, but it is swamp and overflowed

lands, to-wit: Township thirty (30), thirty-one (31) and thirty-two (32), south of range thirty-six (36), and township thirty-one (31) and thirty-two (32), range thirty-seven (37) east, excepting the sixteenth section in each township, which said lands are to be conveyed to the said Matthew R. Marks, Willis L. Palmer, C. G. Butt and others by the trustees of the Internal Improvement board of the State of Florida, by the usual form of conveyance, upon payment of the sums of money specified in the contract, which is that they are to expend the sum of fifty thousand dollars in the bona fide reclamation of the said described lands.

This land lies in Brevard county, about ten miles south of Lake Washington, thirty miles east of Lake Kissimmee and about ten miles west of the Atlantic coast.

The parties to the contract, M. R. Marks and others, have paid fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) down, and when the lands are drained and surveyed they are to pay for said lands fifty cents (50c.) per acre. There will be about one hundred and twelve thousand acres (112,000), which will bring about fifty-six thousand dollars (\$56,000), less the fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) already paid.

The parties, M. R. Marks and others, have six years to complete the drainage from the 27th day of December, 1890, otherwise the contract is void.

On the 8th day of December, 1891, the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Board contracted with W. G. Denham, J. A. Marvin and others to drain Miccosukie lake, lying in the counties of Jefferson and Leon, on consideration of the price of one dollar per acre, agreed to be paid by the parties of the second part, the payment for said land to be as follows: Five hundred dollars cash and the balance in eighteen months from this date, which is agreed to be paid by the parties of the second part; but if the parties of the second part shall fail to pay for the said land within the time herein specified, their rights in the premises shall be forfeited as to any land remaining unconveyed to them at that time. Said lands are in township 2, north range 3 and 4, east, and township 3 north, range 4 east. The quantity of land to be deeded is eight thousand nine hundred and nine (8,909) acres, on which the contracting parties of the second part have paid five hundred dollars (\$500.00). All of the money derived from this sale to go to the relief of the bonded counties of the State, by an act of the Legislature in 1893.

Also report that the trustees of the Internal Improvement Board made a contract on the 6th day of October, 1892, with Stephen B. Bell, John Anders, Robert E. Lester, and others,

to drain Lake Iamonia, in the county of Leon, in township 3 north, and range 1 east; the parties of the second part in consideration of conveyance, agree with the parties of the first part to pay therefor, the sum of one dollar (\$1) per acre as follows, to-wit: Six hundred and twenty-six dollars (626) cash on date hereof; one thousand dollars on the first day of January, 1894, and one thousand dollars each year thereafter, up to and including the first day of January, 1898, making a sum total of five thousand six hundred and twenty-six dollars (\$5,626). Total number of acres to be drained, five thousand six hundred and twenty-six acres (5,626.) See exhibits A, B, C, D, and E.

INDEMNITY LANDS.

Your committee beg to report further, that the United States government allowed the State of Florida indemnity for certain lands disposed of by the government, which should have come to the State of Florida under act of Congress September 28th, 1850, as swamp and overflowed lands, for which the government issued floats or certificates to the State, of which said lands there have been patented to the State sixty-five thousand and ninety-seven sixty-four hundredths (65,097.64) acres, and the State has conveyed by deed to the parties to whom they assigned or sold said indemnity certificates, fifty-four thousand five hundred and thirty-nine and twenty-two hundredths (54,539.22) acres.

I. I. LANDS.

We find that of the Internal Improvement lands there were on hand on the first day of January, 1891, one hundred and seventeen thousand three hundred and ninety-eight nineteen one hundredths (117,388 19-100) acres, of which amount there was sold in 1891, four thousand seven hundred and six twenty-eight one hundredths (4,706 28-100) acres, for which there was received five thousand and eighty-two fifty-two one hundredths dollars (\$5,082 52-100) and in the year 1892 there was sold three thousand and hundred and thirty-two ninety one hundredths (3,132 90-100) acres, for which there was received the sum of three thousand three hundred and ninety-one twenty-two one hundredths dollars (\$3,391 22-100).

We also find that there were school lands sold prior to 1891, upon which payments were made during the year 1891, to the amount of seven hundred and eighteen forty one hundredths dollars (\$718 40-100).

SCHOOL LANDS.

We report that of the school lands granted to the State, there were yet on hand January 1, 1891, four hundred and six

thousand one hundred and sixty-two five one-hundredths (406,162.05). Of this number of acres there has been sold in the year 1891, fourteen thousand seven hundred and forty-eight forty-nine one-hundredths (14,748.49), and there was sold in the year 1892, three thousand seven hundred and eighty-eight sixty-five one-hundredths (3,788.65), for which there was received six thousand three hundred and fifty-three sixty-six one-hundredths dollars (\$6,353.66).

There was sold in the year 1891, school land on the installment plan, four hundred and seventy-five and twenty-three hundredths (475.23), for which there was received two hundred and twenty hundredths (\$200.20) dollars, and there was sold in the year 1892, one thousand three hundred and sixteen and sixty-seven one-hundredths (1,316.67) acres for which there was received five hundred and fifty-one and four hundredths (\$551.04) dollars.

Upon school lands that were sold prior to January 1, 1891, payments were made in 1891, to the amount of three hundred and ninety-nine and ten hundredths (\$399.10) dollars.

And payments made in 1892 to the amount of one thousand two hundred and forty-three sixty-three one hundredths dollars (\$1,243 63-100).

SEMINARY LANDS.

We find from examination that of the Seminary lands in the custody of the Commissioner of Agriculture there are thirty thousand eight hundred and seventy-five eighty-six one hundredths (30,875 86-100) acres, and of this number there were sold during the year 1891 thirty-nine eighty-one one hundredths (39 81-100) acres, for which there was received the sum of forty-nine seventy-six one hundredths dollars (\$49 76-100); and there was sold in the year 1892, forty (40) acres, for which there was received fifty dollars (\$50), leaving a balance of thirty thousand seven hundred and ninety-six five one-hundredths (30,796 5-100) acres. There was sold prior to January 1st, 1891, of seminary lands, upon which payment was made in 1891 and 1892, one hundred and eighty-one eight one-hundredths dollars (\$181 8-100).

Your committee beg to report that we find all of the original maps which contain the numbers of land entries are badly worn and mutilated by continuous use of years. These maps should all be made over, and mounted on cloth, and the entry numbers on old maps be transcribed to new ones, and we recommend that the trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund make an appropriation out of moneys arising from the sale of State lands to do this work. The old record books of the U.

S. land entries and sixteen bound volumes of the maps do not belong to the State of Florida or the Internal Improvement Fund, and are liable to be taken away at any time, or the owners of them can demand pay for the same.

These books are very useful to the department, and the Commissioner of Agriculture should be allowed funds to have the records transcribed; he has already purchased new books, and when the land clerks are not engaged at current work are employed in transcribing these records, so that the books which do not belong to the office can be given up when called for. We also find in examining the records of the land office that there are no maps of that part of the State included in what is known as the Forbes' purchase, which is located in Wakulla, Liberty, Franklin, Leon and Gadsden counties, the department has no means of knowing any of the surveys of that part of the State, this is very important and we recommend that the trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund make an appropriation out of the moneys arising from the sale of State lands to do this work.

We have examined the books, maps and papers in the Commissioner's office in the land department, and find the land records have all been transcribed into new and well bound books from the old books, which had become so mutilated and worn from age as to endanger the preservation of the State records. These valuable State records are now kept in a great iron safe that is fire and damp proof. We find that the safe is commodious and dry; all the records are free from mold and mold or damp smell. The patents received from the United States government for all the lands patented to the State are kept in said safe, as are all the valuable maps of the State of Florida of each section, township and range, and all the records of sales and records of deeds, and all the records pertaining to the State lands of Florida.

We find that all the vouchers and letters received and important papers and receipts, are numbered and placed in file boxes, and all are indexed, facilitating the officers in finding papers without trouble.

Your committee find the books are kept in a neat, legible and business-like form, and that the whole department is conducted on thorough business principles.

Atlantic and Gulf Coast Canal and Okeechobee Land Company:

With reference to the contract between the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund and the Atlantic and Gulf Coast Canal and Okeechobee Land company, who has had the

drainage of the lands of the Kissimmee and that section of country south.

Your committee respectfully submits the contract, that bears pertinently upon the reclamation of lands and the amount of money required to be expended by the company, and the price agreed upon, that the canal company are to pay per acre for said alternate sections within the territory already reserved by the board of trustees for said company.

Contract between the trustees of the Internal Improvement board and the Atlantic and Gulf Coast Canal and Okeechobee Land company, amended August 17, 1888.

2. * * * said company will expend in drainage and reclamation, with the approval of such trustees, as hereinafter provided, the sum of one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars, less the sum of moneys expended by said company in the work of drainage and reclamation since the report of said commission, which expenditure is estimated up to July 1, 1888, at fifty-five thousand dollars, and said trustees agree that in consideration of such expenditure the trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund will, when such total expenditure is so made, execute such release to said company, not less than forty thousand dollars of such expenditure on this account to be made by said company in the first year of twelve calendar months, after the formal execution of this contract, and the total of said sum to be expended within two years after said formal execution thereof. * * *

3. Said company further agrees to expend in drainage and reclamation of the lands which shall be selected and reserved for it as aforesaid, with the approval of said trustees, as hereinafter provided, the sum of two hundred and six thousand two hundred and sixty-four dollars, which is to be so expended that, with the expenditure provided for in the second article hereof, there shall be an expenditure in the prosecution of the work of not less than forty thousand dollars in each year after the formal execution of this contract, in consideration of which expenditure said trustees agree to convey to said company so much of said lands, to be selected and reserved as aforesaid as shall be earned by said company at the rate of an acre of land for each twenty-five cents of expenditure, but no land to be considered as earned by expenditure except upon the full expenditure of each forty thousand dollars of said two hundred and six thousand two hundred and sixty-four dollars, by said company as aforesaid, and upon the expenditure by said company of each such forty thousand dollars, said trustees will, at the request of said company convey three-fifths of the lands which would be earned thereby at

the rate of twenty-five cents per acre, as aforesaid, reserving two-fifths thereof, which shall, at the option of said trustees, be forfeited by said company to said trustees, if said company shall fail to make the total expenditure agreed upon, as agreed or shall otherwise fail to observe and perform its contract; and upon said company observing and performing this contract in full, without breach or forfeiture, and making the full expenditure of two hundred and six thousand two hundred and sixty-four dollars, in addition to said expenditure agreed upon in the second article, * * * *

The amended contract of 1888 limits the aggregate amount of land to be conveyed to said company to 2,000,000 acres, including all lands that had been conveyed to it prior to 1888. The number of acres that have been conveyed is 1,174,943.06 leaving a balance of 826,056.94 to make up the 2,000,000 acres, and before it can be ascertained what number of acres shall be deeded to the drainage company, the trustees are to determine what shall be allowed the said company as expense under their contract.

When the drainage contract shall have been complied with by the Atlantic and Gulf Coast Canal and Okeechobee Land Company, and so much expended as is provided for in the above contract, then the company are to receive deeds for their portion of the lands, and the remaining portion will be subject to the subsequent disposal of the Legislature; therefore, we recommend that all of the lands drained over and above those to be deeded to the Atlantic and Gulf Coast Canal and Okeechobee Land Company shall be reserved and held subject to future disposition by the Legislature; Provided, that such lands may be sold to actual settlers.

And in connection herewith we recommend that the work and expenditures of the Atlantic and Gulf Coast Canal and Okeechobee Land company be a subject of investigation and examination by the Legislature.

AGRICULTURE.

Your committee have examined the Bureau of Agriculture. Under this head farming interests come directly and most conspicuously.

We find that a large and increasing correspondence is carried on with this Bureau by farmers and those contemplating engaging in farming, vegetable growing, fruit growing and stock raising, and as far as the limited means of the Bureau will admit to supply agricultural literature it is done. In this respect your committee find the Bureau badly in want of means to purchase seeds, bulbs, plants and other articles that

would promote the prosperity and advance the interests of the farmer, as well as for the distribution of material, giving information concerning the resources of the State to persons who contemplate becoming settlers, thereby promoting a healthy immigration to this State of a desirable class of settlers.

The Bureau has gathered from the most reliable sources and correspondents from all parts of the State, all the facts possible concerning the products and growth of whatsoever kind, and your committee report that the statistics of the Bureau of the products of the different articles of growth and live stock is very satisfactory and complete in method and detail.

Your committee find that the Bureau of Agriculture publishes a Monthly Bulletin, which is ably edited by the chief of that department, in which is published reports of crop areas and conditions, reported by competent and trusted correspondents throughout the State.

In this Bulletin is the report of the analytical and market value of all the fertilizers that are offered for sale, and by the law of the State required to be examined by the State chemist and publication made of the same, so that every farmer, fruit grower and vegetable grower may intelligently and confidently select that brand best suited to the needs of his soil and the products he desires to grow. In addition to the above, other articles are published in the Bulletin on farming, vegetable growing, horticulture, live stock raising and agricultural chemistry, in the interest of the farmer.

TABLE NO. 10—TOTAL VALUE OF ALL PRODUCTS.

Table No. 1.—Field crops	\$6,948,644 70
“ 2.—Vegetable and garden products.	962,823 87
“ 3.—Fruit crops	4,862,355 24
“ 4.—Live stock	6,130,444 00
“ 5.—Poultry.....	609,763 00
“ 6.—Dairy products.....	1,667,697 00
“ 7.—Miscellaneous products....	353,436 33
Total	\$21,535,164 14

In this connection we invite attention to the following extract from Commissioner Wombwell's last report:

A new and valuable feature in the line of statistics has been added to this report, although no provision has been made for the work, viz: The collection and publication by this bureau in tabular form of the principal articles of export of Florida

production and their export valuation. The magnificent exhibit of the State's resources that it makes is exceedingly gratifying and will no doubt be a matter of considerable surprise to a large majority of our people. Yet the commissioner feels compelled to say that even this large amount of actual surplus does not represent by a large sum the total surplus, or in reality, profit, for the simple reason that the bureau has not had the means at its disposal to enable it to pay for the collection of such data and the work of compilation. And now, in this connection, and in view of the oft-stated and apparent financial embarrassment of the State, it seems curious if not significant that the surplus products of the State should amount to over 33 1-3 per cent. of the total assessed valuation of the taxable property of the State. Yet this is just what is shown, and it is gratifying, too, as evidence of the true value of Florida's resources.

BUREAU OF FERTILIZERS.

Our investigations in this bureau have been very thorough and we found everything in excellent condition and all the accounts and vouchers correct.

The operations of the bureau were commenced in 1889, without even one cent to its credit, and it has been self-supporting from its inception.

From the accounts for 1891 and 1892 we collate the following information:

Tons of fertilizers inspected,	72,734.79.
Inspection labels sold,	849,074.
Value of inspection labels sold,	\$18,184.12.
Received from special analysis fees,	\$52.00.
Total receipts,	\$19,068.17.
Total disbursements,	\$18,288.97.
Cash balance on hand,	\$779.20.

Under the act of 1889 there were six inspectors of fertilizers, but we most heartily approve of the bill introduced in this Legislature, dispensing with the inspectors and in their stead providing for an Assistant State Chemist, with a fixed or stated salary, and prescribing adequate penalties for violations of the law.

This bureau and, in fact, the Department of Agriculture, have both been and are now being conducted without cost to the State or the taxpayers. This bureau, even in its infancy, has been of great value to Florida and the people, and, in our opinion, as it grows older it will undoubtedly become more useful and beneficial, and therefore more valuable to the

great interests which it was created to develop and promote.

SPONGES.

Among the Florida products exported we find that sponges play an important part. For a single year there were exported from Florida ports 1,184,220 pounds of sponges, valued at \$1,776,800.

During the same year there were taken from Florida waters but shipped from ports of other states, 206,782 pounds of sponges.

These sponges had a value of \$310,308, making the total value of sponges taken from Florida waters in one year, \$2,078,108.

This is certainly a very important industry to our State and its interests deserve mature consideration by this Legislature. The citizens of Florida who have invested their money in this industry should be amply protected by State laws, and, if it be deemed necessary to properly protect our sponging interests, the Legislature of Florida should immediately memorialize the Congress of the United States, to throw ample safe-guards around this great and growing Florida industry.

STATE CHEMIST.

Your committee further respectfully report as to the office of the State Chemist, that we have examined said office of the State Chemist and find that he does not keep a regular set of books in which he records the business of his office, the number of samples examined, as to their qualitative and quantitative value. Hence we have no data from which to gather information under these several heads.

Your committee did gather the following from the State Chemist: That he had made for the years 1891-1892 twenty-six special examinations of phosphate, for which he charged two dollars each analysis—making fifty-two dollars, which he turned over to the Commissioner of Agriculture. See Exhibit No. 1.

We also find by statement from the State Chemist that he made in 1890 an analysis of artesian water for Mr. Rand of the city of Sanford. In 1892 an analysis of the artesian water at Tallahassee and for a Mr. Durst who bored the artesian well at Tallahassee. See Exhibit No. 2.

That in 1890-1891-1882-1893 he made analyses of phosphate. See Exhibit No. 3, of which he has a record in a private pocket memorandum book, in which he states these analyses were made out of the office hours, and of which he

made no return to the Commissioner of Agriculture of the amounts.

Your committee learn from the State Chemist that he has examined between thirteen and fourteen hundred samples of phosphate rock for 1891, and about three hundred and sixty for 1892; for different persons throughout the State, of which your committee does not find any record.

We find from examination of the State Chemist that he receives a salary of two thousand dollars each year for his services as State Chemist.

We find upon inquiry of the State Chemist and items of expense presented to your committee, that the State furnishes laboratory, apparatus, chemicals, the gas, the sand and the water used in ascertaining the values of specimens presented for analysis.

We learn from the State Chemist that if he charged for work done in analyzing phosphate rock, at five dollars per sample; water analysis, at twenty-five dollars; muck at five dollars, and soil at one hundred dollars, he would be entitled to between six and seven thousand dollars.

Your committee finds that the State Chemist was not required to do this work, either by law or by the Commissioner of Agriculture, but that he did it of his own volition.

The State Chemist is a salaried officer, appointed by the Governor, and is under the supervision of the Commissioner of Agriculture.

We learn from the State Chemist that his construction of the law which governs him, is, that in 1890 he analysed all the fertilizers offered for sale in the State. Thereafter, unless the fertilizer companies make known to the State Chemist that they have changed their formula and guarantee, that he is not obliged to even make another examination and analysis. Hence, after the examination in 1890, he, under the law, has nothing to do but wait for said companies to make changes, and if they do not make changes, he has nothing to do but sit in his office and draw his salary of two thousand dollars per annum.

EXHIBIT NO. 1.

The State Chemist made twenty-six special analysis of phosphate at \$2.00 each.....\$52.00

This sum was turned over to the Commissioner of Agriculture.

EXHIBIT NO. 2.

The State Chemist made in 1890, an analysis of arte-

sian water for Mr. Rand of Sanford, for which he charged \$25.00
 In 1892 he made an analysis of water for the city of Tallahassee 10.00
 And for Mr. Durst an analysis of water for which he charged 30.00

EXHIBIT NO. 3.

In 1890 the chemist received for analysis of phosphate \$25.00
 In 1891 " " " " 48.50
 In 1892 " " " " 41.00
 In 1893 " " " " 8.00

Total, including exhibit No. 2, which work he claims he did out of office hours and retained the money.... \$187.50

EXHIBIT NO. 4.

Expense of Laboratory and Salary of the State Chemist, Salary for 1891-1892, \$2,000 per year . \$4,000.00
 Chemicals for Laboratory 172.73
 Expense of Laboratory 138.89
 Amount paid for gas 69.25
 Amount paid, expense 66.07
 Amount paid for chemical books for Laboratory. 26.48
 Expense of State Chemist attending meeting National Chemists, August, 1891. 79.05
 Expense of State Chemist attending meeting of National Chemists, August, 1892 99.75
 Paid for stove for Laboratory 15.35
 Total \$4,668.55

IMMIGRATION.

Your committee find that the Legislature of 1889 passed an act, chapter 3856, to establish a Bureau of Immigration for the State of Florida. Said act was approved June 3d, 1889, and your committee find that the same Legislature of 1889, chapter 3852, passed an act to provide a fund for immigration purposes, for the promotion of immigration into this State, that there be levied, upon the real and personal property of the different counties for the year 1889, a tax of one-eighth of one mill upon the dollar, and for the year 1890 a tax of one-eighth of one mill upon the dollar, approved June 30, 1889.

Your committee find that the Legislature of 1889 enacted chapter 4057, Section 1: That chapter 3856, the same being an act to establish a Bureau of Immigration for the State of Florida be, and the same is hereby repealed. Approved June 13th, 1891.

We also find that the law authorizing the levy of one-eighth mill in the years 1889 and 1890 for the promotion of Immigration expired by limitation.

There was received by the State Treasurer on account of the Bureau of Immigration, that arose from the special tax of one-eighth of one mill in the years 1889 and 1890, the sum of twenty-one thousand and eight hundred and thirty-seven 35-100 dollars (\$21,837 35-100). Of this amount there has been expended for account of the Bureau of Immigration the sum of fourteen thousand eight hundred and nineteen 13-100 dollars (\$14,819 13-100) leaving a balance of \$7,018.22 that is now in the State Treasury.

Your committee have made a thorough examination of the accounts and vouchers of the Bureau of Immigration, that are on file in the Comptroller's office, and find that the accounts all foot up correctly, and that they have been approved by the Board of Immigration by their endorsement.

Julius Potsdamer of Lake City was appointed special agent by the Board of Immigration to visit Germany, to work in the interest of the Bureau, for which services he was paid one hundred and fifty dollars. It was Mr. Potsdamer's purpose to go to Germany, and the board employed him to represent the interest of the board going, while in Europe and returning to the United States. He distributed German literature in Europe, gotten from the Florida Central and Peninsular railroad. Returniag on an emigrant ship where there were about one thousand emigrants, he also distributed this literature and talked with them. His trip to Europe resulted in bringing four young men to Florida, who went to the Dunnellon phosphate mines, below Ocala.

After the repeal of the law to establish the Bureau of Immigration, which repeal took effect about the first of July, 1891, the Commissioner of Agriculture closed the office of the Bureau at Jacksonville, of which Mr. Van Deman was clerk.

Subsequent to that time the Commissioner of Agriculture appointed Captain Francis Irsch, who is vice-president of "the Colonization, Mining and Commercial company of Florida, limited" general agent of immigration, without salary or other compensation from the State. He established a colony of about twenty-five persons on the Manatee river, in Manatee county.

Since the repeal of the immigration law, above referred to, about July 1891, all business pertaining to immigration has been carried on by and in connection with the Bureau of Agriculture.

Your committee have ascertained that the Commissioner has been able, through that branch of his department, to advance the interest of immigration far beyond his most sanguine expectations by the dissemination of the literature at his disposal treating on the different products of the State—cereals, cotton, tobacco, fruits, minerals, sponges and the fish interests.

We have ascertained that the distribution of this printed matter has aroused a wonderful interest in the State, from persons outside of Florida, and that from four to five thousand letters of enquiry have been received at the department of Agriculture from July 1, 1891, to December 31, 1892, seeking further knowledge of the advantages of the State.

We find that the Commissioner has replied to all of these enquiries, as far as it was possible for him to do with the limited supply of printed matter at his command, and that the system adopted for the prosecution of the work is far superior in the attainment of good results, to the old plan of sending agents abroad at heavy expense, or any other method heretofore employed for the securing of immigration, and this, at no cost whatever to the State.

We find that the system adopted by the Bureau of Agriculture for the collection, compilation and dissemination of agricultural, horticultural, live stock and other statistics is very complete and thorough in details and operation. These statistics are given out to the farmers and others interested in such matters in the State as well as throughout other states. Among other matters not mentioned heretofore the Commissioner has had published for free distribution a complete map of the State of Florida, marked by ranges, townships and sections. He also has had published for free distribution a list of the lands yet for sale, which are among the most valuable of the material used for inducing immigration, as well as for the use of the farmers and others in the State, all at no cost to the people.

We are informed by the Commissioner of Agriculture that there is a daily demand for books, pamphlets and papers descriptive of Florida, as well as for maps of the State; he has little or no literature in reference to the State that is fit to be distributed, and the supply of maps will soon be exhausted. A few days since he received an order from one person for a thousand maps to be distributed at Chicago and at the Florida building on the exposition ground, where there are daily ur-

gent demands for books and papers showing the products and resources of Florida.

The unexpended balance of the immigration fund now in the State treasury could not be spent to better advantage than in the purchase of additional maps and in getting up pamphlets and papers, descriptive of Florida for general distribution both from the office of the Commissioner and at the Florida building in Chicago.

Your committee, therefore, recommend that the seven thousand dollars now in the State treasury belonging to the immigration fund be appropriated for that purpose.

STATE PRISON AND STATE CONVICTS.

In further consideration of the office of the Commissioner of Agriculture, we beg to make this our report on the State prison and State convicts:

In the year 1868 the United States government loaned to the State of Florida the United States arsenal located at the town of Chattahoochee, on the Chattahoochee river, Gadsden county. For years before the war between the States, the arsenal had not been used by the United States government, and during the war the arsenal had been used by the Confederate government to quarter troops. This property was afterwards transferred to the State of Florida by an act of Congress.

When the State took possession in January, 1869, the officers took 117 convicts to the arsenal and there confined them under guard, commanded by Col. M. Martin, who was under the command of the adjutant-general, George B. Carse.

The State Legislature appropriated \$30,000.00 for the maintenance of the convicts and \$12,000.00 for preparing the cells and repairing the building. The convicts were put to work in and about the arsenal, that was now known as the State Penitentiary. There were no moneys turned over to the State Treasurer from the penitentiary officials.

In the year 1870 the convicts were worked about the penitentiary. There were ninety-five convicts on the first day of this year and the total amount of expenditure was \$16,983.42.

In 1871 an act was passed entitled "An act to establish and maintain a State prison" approved January 26, 1871. Gov. Harrison Reid appointed M. Martin warden, and also a deputy warden, clerk, physician, turnkeys and guards. On the first day of January of this year there were seventy convicts, at an expense to the State of \$43,554.12.

In 1872 there were seventy-eight convicts on the first day of January, that cost the State \$20,078.38.

In 1873 there were forty-three convicts on the first day of January, at a cost to the State of \$25,601.02.

In 1874 there were eighty-two convicts on the first day of January, that cost the State to maintain \$29,470.62.

In 1875 on the first day of January, there were sixty-six convicts, at a cost to the State of \$32,219.27.

In 1876, January 1st, there were 105 convicts to maintain, that cost the State \$34,566.58.

This was the last year of the the penitentiary system, which continued eight years, at a total cost to the State of \$234,473.31, and not one cent turned into the State treasury from this source. January, 1877, Gov. George F. Drew's administration begun, with J. J. Dickinson, adjutant-general.

For 1877 the convicts, seventy-one, were leased out at an expense to the State of \$7,962.27. For this year a number of the convicts were leased to H. A. Wyse, who worked them on a turpentine farm near Live Oak, and the remainder to Green A. Chaires, who worked them on his cotton plantation in Leon county.

In 1878, January, there were 110. The contract was renewed for all of the convicts, with Mr. H. A. Wyse to continue through 1879, when there were 163. In 1880 there were 151, that were an expense to the State for these years of \$6,616.03.

For 1881 and 1882 the convicts were leased to the East Florida Railroad Company, they to pay all expense for the two years above mentioned, at \$15.00 per head for all on hand. There were in 1881, 125 and for 1882, 149 convicts on hand January first, of each year. These brought the State, for the two years, \$6,705.

In 1883 and 1884 they were leased to H. M. Wood, to be used on a turpentine farm, the contractor to pay all expense from the county jail, thus bringing the State for the two years \$9,200.00. There were for 1883, 135 and 1884, 162 convicts.

For the year 1885 there were 197 convicts, that were leased out at an expense to the State of \$8,500.00.

For the years 1886, 1887, 1888 and 1889 they were leased to H. M. Wood, agent for C. K. Dutton, who worked them on a turpentine farm near Live Oak, at no expense to the State, and without income to the State. The health of the convicts was good. Out of 588 there were only five deaths. Two hundred of these were discharged for various causes, leaving on the 31st day of December, 388 convicts.

August 6th, 1888, the Commissioner of Agriculture advertised for proposals to hire out all State convicts for two years, commencing January 1st, 1890. Three bids were received—that of E. B. Bailey was accepted, and to take all the convicts at the county jails, pay all expense of transportation, food, clothes, guards and quarters and rewards offered for escapes and pay \$15 per year for each convict during year 1890. There were on the first day of January, 1890, 388 convicts, from which the State received net \$5,703.62.

During the year 1891 there were 409 convicts, bringing in to the State treasury net \$10,270.68.

On the first day of January, 1892, there were 453 convicts, that brought to the State up to December 31, 1892, \$10,322.09.

The lease with Mr. E. B. Bailey will expire on December 31, 1893. To recapitulate: While the State convicts were kept at the State Prison, from January 1869 to January 1877, making eight years.

They cost the State	\$234,473.30
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Under the lease system they cost the State for five years from January 1887 to 1880 inclusive, and 1885.	23,278.30
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	\$257,751.61
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INCOME FROM CONVICTS.

Income from lease system for years 1881, 1882, 1883, 1884, 1890, 1891, and 1892 was	\$42,206.39
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For the years 1886, 1887, 1888 and 1889, the convicts were no expense to the State, and for the same years the State received no income from them.

We have given the above history or statement of the State Prison and lease system, from January, 1869, to December 31, 1892, with a view to enlightening the public on the subject that is at each session of the legislature, more or less agitated, believing that the figures given therein will be valuable for ready reference in future discussions of the convict lease system, as compared with a State prison.

In the light of all the information placed before us, on this subject, coupled with the financial condition of the State and the demands of the people for economy and retrenchment, we are inclined, for the present, at least, to favor the leasing out of the convicts.

We are aware that a great deal has been said in regard to the humane, or inhumane, treatment of convicts, and much has been well said on this subject; but, with due deference to all this, it really seems to us that the pure, God-given sunlight and fresh air is far better for these unfortunates, more conducive to their health and comfort than being crowded into buildings, where the surroundings would be, even under the best possible management and conditions, uncomfortable and unhealthy. In these conclusions we are supported by statistical information upon this subject from the reports we have on our door life of convicts.

In conclusion we would suggest that the Board of State Institutions be authorized, if they have not the authority now, to advertise, every two years, for "sealed proposals" to lease or hire State convicts for terms of two years, said board to award convicts to the highest responsible bidders, making contracts, secured by bond, for protection of the State's interests and the proper care and keeping of the convicts.

It is right and proper that the convicts, whose misdeeds have cost the State and the people so much in the courts, should be made as profitable as it is possible to do, and, in our opinion, if leased in numbers to suit bidders—not less than twenty to one party, the convicts could be made a source of considerable revenue to the State.

Your committee recommend that 1,000 copies of this report be printed in pamphlet form and placed in the office of the Commissioner of Agriculture for distribution.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. W. WHIDDEN, Chairman Committee,

O. J. H. SUMMERS,

On part of the Senate.

J. S. OLIVER,

JAMES HOLLAND,

C. L. WILDER,

On part of the House.

EXHIBIT "A."

LIST OF SWAMP LAND SOLD UNDER SPECIAL CONTRACT DURING
THE YEARS OF 1891 AND 1892.

Contract Sale.	No. of Entry.	Acres.	Amount of Sale.	Cash Paid.
Sale to M. R. Marks, W. L. Palmer, Cecil G. Butt and others of the unsurveyed swamp lands in T. 30, 31 and 32, R. 36, and T. 31 and 32, R. 37. Contract made December 27, 1890. As to first payment see Treasurer I. I. Fund, December 29, 1890, July 1, 1891.....		112,000.00	\$56,000 00	\$5,000 00
September 1, 1892.....				10,000 00
Sale to J. A. Marvin and Associates, comprising the Miccosukie Drainage company, of unsurveyed lands in Lake Miccosukie, in T. 2 N., R. 3 and 4 E., and T. 3 N., R. 4 E. Contract made January 1, 1892.....		8,909.00	\$8,909 00	500 00
Sale to R. E. Lester and others of the lands in Lake Lahoma, in T. 3 N., R. 1 W., and T. 3 N., R. 1 E. Made November 5, 1892.	14,737	5,626.00	\$5,626 00	626 00
Total for 1891 and 1892.....		126,535.00	\$70,535 00	\$16,126 00

Contract to Reclaim These Lands.

EXHIBIT ' B. '

RAILROADS.

LIST OF RAILROAD COMPANIES AND CANALS WHICH HAVE RECEIVED SWAMP LANDS UNDER THEIR RESPECTIVE GRANTS.

Date.	No. of Deed	Corporation.	Acres.
Feb. 2, 1891	14,360	Florida Coast Line Canal and Transportation Company	275.49
" 19, "	14,369	Jacksonville, Tampa and Key West Railway Company	493.56
Mar. 13, "	14,393	Florida Coast Line Canal and Transportation Company	445.46
July 14, "	14,469	Florida Coast Line Canal and Transportation Company	160.60
Oct. 5, "	14,502	Florida Coast Line Canal and Transportation Company	80.00
Nov. 30, "	14,525	Pensacola and Atlantic Railroad Co. . .	560.14
Dec. 28, "	14,542	Florida Coast Line Canal and Transportation Company	26.12
		Total, 1891	2,041.37
Jan. 18, 1892	14,560	Florida Midland Railway Company . . .	2,150.00
" 21, "	14,565	Orange Belt Railway Company	480.00
Feb. 12, "	14,578	Florida Southern Railway Co.	200.37
" " "	14,579	Jacksonville, Tampa and Key West Railway Company	600.87
" " "	14,580	Palatka and Indian River Railway Company	4,545.00
" " "	14,581	St. Johns and Lake Eustis Railway Company	120.28
" " "	14,582	St. Johns and Halifax R. R. Co.	1,425.76
" " "	14,583	Jacksonville, St. Augustine and Halifax River Railway Company	2,935.44
" " "	14,584	St. Augustine and Palatka Railway Company	2,491.68
" 15, "	14,587	Orange Belt Railway Company	333.39
Mar. 8, "	14,598	Jacksonville, Tampa and Key West Railway Company	1,922.06
Apr. 2, "	14,623	Florida Central and Peninsular Railway Company	120.00
May 9, "	14,646	Tavares, Orlando and Atlantic Railroad Company	959.86
" " "	14,647	Tavares, Orlando and Atlantic Railroad Company	3,042.58
June 21, "	14,666	Jacksonville, Tampa and Key West Railway Company	2,039.89
" " "	14,667	Florida Southern Railway Co.	4,172.08
" 27, "	14,671	Silver Springs, Ocala and Gulf Railroad Company	1,405.51
" " "	14,672	Silver Springs, Ocala and Gulf Railroad Company	33,252.82

Date.	No. of Deed	Corporation.	Acres.
Sept. 3, 1892	14,708	Florida Coast Line Canal and Transportation Company	40.00
" 22, "	14,721	East Florida Railway Co.	658.31
" " "	14,722	Sanford and Indian River Railroad Company	4,131.22
" " "	14,723	South Florida Railroad Co.	3,590.70
Dec. 19, "	14,761	Blue Springs, Orange City and Atlantic Railroad Company	2,436.05
" " "	14,762	Blue Springs, Orange City and Atlantic Railroad Company	50,890.74
" 24, "	14,766	Pensacola and Atlantic Railroad Co. . .	632.26
" 26, "	14,768	Florida Southern Railway Company . .	14,865.29
		Also, there has been deeded to railroads on account of certificates previously issued on lands, for which the State has since received patents:	
July 21, "	13,776-7-9 & 13,780	Florida Southern Railway Company . . .	5,379.49
Dec. 23, "	13,816 & 13,835½	Pensacola and Atlantic Railroad Co. . .	89,717.02
		Total, 1892	234,588.67

EXHIBIT "C."

STATEMENT OF LANDS DUE RAILROADS, JANUARY 1, 1893.

Miles.	Acres per Mile.	Total Granted.	Total Conveyed.	Balance Due	Name of Company.
161.00	20,000	3,220,000.00	*2,118,093.37	1,101,906.63	Pensacola and Atlantic.
282.22	10,000	2,882,200.00	*2,580,209.72	301,990.28	Florida Southern.
55.00	10,000	550,000.00	*425,570.25	124,429.75	Jack, Tampa and Key West.
70.00	6,000	420,000.00	419,677.45	322.55	Palatka and Indian River.
65.15	10,000	651,500.00	*394,136.81	257,363.69	Silver Springs, Ocala and Gulf.
20.00	15,000	300,000.00	*108,971.18	191,028.82	Carrabelle, Tallahassee and Georgia, formerly the Augusta, Tallahassee and Gulf.
28½	5,000	141,666.66	50,890.74	90,775.92	Blue Springs, Orange City & Atlantic.

*See next page.

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EXHIBIT "D."

STATEMENT OF LANDS DUE RAILROADS WITH GRANTS ALLOWING THEM TO TAKE LANDS OUTSIDE OF THE SIX AND TWENTY MILE LIMITS TO MAKE UP AN AREA OF 3840 ACRES PER MILE.

Miles.	Acres per Mile.	Total Granted.	Total Conveyed.	Balance Due.	Name of Company.
40.00	3,840	153,600	60,424.71	93,175.29	South Florida Railroad Co., on road from Sanford to Kissimmee
32.90	3,840	126,336	29,899.68	96,436.32	Western Railway of Florida.

There is reserved for the Florida Coast Line Canal and Transportation Company in round numbers about 600,000 acres of patented and 350,000 acres of unpatented lands. There is held up for the Atlantic and Gulf Coast Canal and Okeechobee Land Company about 1,200,000 acres of patented and unpatented lands, and when the claims of this company are adjusted, about 400,000 acres of land will be restored to market.

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Mr. Summers moved that 500 copies of the report be printed in pamphlet form;
Which was agreed to, and so ordered.

MEMBERS and ATTACHES
— OF THE —
FLORIDA STATE SENATE,
SESSION OF 1893.

NAME.	POSTOFFICE.	DISTRICT.
WM. H. REYNOLDS, Pres't.	Lakeland	Seventh
JOSEPH F. BAYA	Lake City	Fourteenth
NEWTON A. BLITCH	Williston	Twenty-first
W. J. BORDEN	Oxford	Twentieth
W. H. BRISTOL	DeLand	Twenty-eighth
JAMES E. BROOME	Quincy	Sixth
JEFFERSON B. BROWNE	Key West	Twenty-fourth
BENJ. P. CALHOUN	Palatka	Twenty-sixth
W. W. FARMER	Hart's Road	Sixteenth
F. A. FLEMING	Hibernia	Twenty-ninth
F. B. GENOVAR	St. Augustine	Thirty-first
JOHN E. GRADY	Apalachicola	Fifth
J. J. JOHNSON	Old Town	Twelfth
M. R. MARKS	Orlando	Nineteenth
JAMES MCKAY	Tampa	Eleventh
JOHN H. MCKINNE	Marianna	Fourth
M. L. MCKINNEY	Lake Butler	Fifteenth
A. W. McLERAN	Welborn	Seventeenth
ROBT. MORROW	Titusville	Thirteenth
FRED. T. MYERS	Tallahassee	Eighth
CHAS. J. PERRENOT	Milton	First
L. J. REEVES	DeFuniak	Third
J. A. ROSBOROUGH	Windsor	Thirty-second
J. F. SMITH	Jasper	Thirtieth
A. St. CLAIR ABRAMS	Tavares	Twenty-third
O. J. H. SUMMERS	Jacksonville	Eighteenth
W. C. THOMAS	Waukeelah	Twenty-second
B. D. WADSWORTH	Madison	Tenth
J. W. WHIDDEN	Arcadia	Twenty-seventh
A. M. WILLIAMSON	Inverness	Ninth
J. EMMET WOLFE	Pensacola	Second