

We herewith submit, as a part of this report, a record of the testimony taken, together with the documentary evidence pertaining thereto, and beg that the same be received, and your committee discharged.

Very respectfully,

C. J. PERRENOT,
Acting Chairman.
J. W. WHIDDEN,
Committee.

Mr. Whidden moved that the report be received, and the committee discharged;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Chipley moved that the testimony accompanying the report be read.

Pending which—

Mr. Dougherty moved that the Senate adjourn until 12 M. to-morrow;

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned till to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

FRIDAY, APRIL 5, 1895.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Bailey, Blitch of 20th, Blitch of 21st, Broome, Chipley, Daniel, Darby, Dougherty, Fleming, Genovar, Hartridge, Hicks, Marks, Morrow, McKinney, McLeran, McLinn, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Peacock, Phipps, Reeves, Reynolds, Thomas, Thompson, Wadsworth, Weeks, Whidden and Williamson—31.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was corrected, and approved.

Special Order.

The hour for the consideration of the special order having arrived

Senate Bill No. 1:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of tax payers,

Was taken up and read.

Pending which—

A message was received from the Governor.

Mr. Darby moved that the rules be waived, and that Senate Bill No. 1 be put upon its second reading;

Which was agreed to.

Senate Bill No. 1 was read the second time.

Mr. Phipps offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 1:

By adding to said bill an additional section as follows:

SECTION 8. The State of Florida on receipt of said certificate from any county shall remit to the county treasury of said county the proportion of taxes due to said county.

Mr. Phipps moved that the amendment be adopted.

Mr. Chipley offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Add the words to section 8, "in said certificate."

The amendment to the amendment was accepted.

The amendment as amended was agreed to.

Mr. McLeran moved that the bill and subject matter be referred to the Committee on Finance and Taxation;

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 1, together with the amendments thereto, was committed to the Committee on Finance and Taxation.

Mr. Genovar, at 1:10 o'clock, moved that the Senate go into executive session;

Which was agreed to.

And the Senate went into executive session.

At 1:35 the doors were opened.

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

Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Bailey, Blich of 20th, Blich of 21st, Broome, Chipley, Daniel, Darby, Dougherty, Fleming, Genovar, Hartridge, Hicks, Marks, Morrow, McKinney, McLeran, McLinn, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Peacock, Perrenot, Phipps, Reeves, Reynolds, Thomas, Thompson, Wadsworth, Weeks, Whidden and Williamson—32.

The President announced the appointment of the following standing Committee on Temperance:

Committee on Temperance.

Senator BLITCH of 21st.

Senators McLERAN,
THOMAS,

HICKS,
McKINNEY,

The President appointed on joint committee to investigate the offices of Comptroller and Treasurer:

On joint committee to investigate offices of Comptroller and treasurer—Senators Palmer of 11th, and McLeran.

Mr. Fleming moved that the Senate adjourn until 4 o'clock this afternoon;

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate took a recess until 4 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

4 O'CLOCK P. M.

The Senate convened pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Bailey, Blitch of 20th, Blitch of 21st, Broome, Chipley, Daniel, Darby, Dougherty, Fleming, Genovar, Hartridge, Hicks, Marks, Morrow, McKinney, McLeran, McLinn, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Peacock, Perrenot, Phipps, Reeves, Reynolds, Thomas, Thompson, Wadsworth, Weeks, Whidden and Williamson

—32.

A quorum present.

Introduction of Resolutions, Petitions and Memorials.

Mr. Chipley introduced—

Senate Resolution No. 7:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate be hereby requested to keep a calendar upon which there shall be entered the order of all bills, resolutions, memorials and petitions, taking precedence in their order.

Resolved, That the daily calendar shall be revised daily by the secretary and 200 of the same printed and placed upon the desks of the members of the Senate and members of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Phipps moved that the rules be waived, and the resolution be adopted;

Which was agreed to, and so ordered.

By Mr. Hartridge:

Resolution No. 8:

Resolved, That the committee of the Senate on Judiciary be empowered to employ such clerical aid as shall be necessary for the performance of the duties of said committee.

Mr. Hartridge moved the rules be waived, and the resolution be referred to Committee on Legislative Expenses;

Which was agreed to and so ordered.

Mr. Thomas introduced—

Senate Resolution No. 9:

Resolved, That the committee be required to report on the bill or bills referred to them within five days after such reference;

Which was read.

Introduction of Bills.

By Mr. Phipps :

Senate Concurrent Resolution and Memorial No. 54 :

To the Congress of the United States, asking for the establishment of a daily mail from some point on the mainland of the State of Florida to the city of Key West, in the county of Monroe, in said State;

Which was read the first time in full and referred to the Committee on Commerce and Navigation.

By Mr. Morrow:

Senate Memorial to Congress No. 55:

Asking for an appropriation for improving Santa Lucie or Prospect Inlet, east coast of Florida;

Which was read the first time in full and referred to the Committee on Commerce and Navigation.

By Mr. Palmer of 14th:

Senate Joint Resolution No. 56:

To amend section 13 of article 3 of the Constitution.

Mr. Blitch of 21st moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Joint Resolution No. 56 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Joint Resolution No. 56 was read first time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Palmer of 14th:

Senate Joint Resolution No. 57:

To amend section 15 of article 4 of the Constitution of the State of Florida.

Mr. Palmer of 14th moved that the rules be waived and Senate Joint Resolution No. 57 be read a first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Joint Resolution No. 57 was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Marks:

Senate Joint Resolution No. 58:

Proposing an amendment to section 6, article 9, of the constitution of Florida.

Mr. Marks moved that the rules be waived and Senate Joint Resolution No. 58 read the first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Joint Resolution No. 58 was read the first time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Morrow:

Senate Joint Resolution No. 59:

Requesting the next Congress to increase the duties on oranges and pineapples.

Mr. Hicks moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Joint Resolution No. 59 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Joint Resolution No. 59 was read first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Williamson:

Senate Bill No. 60:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the registration of voters in the several counties of this State, and to provide for and regulate the holding of elections in the State of Florida.

Mr. Williamson moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 60 be read the first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 60 was read first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Mr. Williamson moved that 200 copies of the bill be printed for the use of the Senate;

Which was agreed to and so ordered.

By Mr. Palmer of 14th:

Senate Bill No. 61:

A bill to be entitled an act for the correction of abuses, and to prevent unjust discrimination and excessive charges by persons and corporations engaged as common carriers in transporting persons and property, and performing service of a public nature, and for enforcing such laws.

Mr. Palmer of 14th moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 61 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 61 was read first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Palmer of 14th moved that 200 copies of Senate Bill No. 61 be printed for the use of the Senate;

Which was agreed to and so ordered.

By Mr. Perrenot:

Senate Bill No 62:

A bill to be entitled an act admitting Dr. A. C. Hundley of Santa Rosa county, Florida, to be examined by board of medical examiners for the first judicial circuit of the State

of Florida, for a certificate to practice medicine without the production of his medical diploma.

Mr. Blitch of 20th moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Bill No. 62 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 62 was read first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Perrenot:

Senate Bill No. 63:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend sections 2434, 2435, 2437 and 2438 Revised Statutes relating to breaking and entering a dwelling house, building, ship or vessel, or railroad car with intent to commit misdemeanor or felony, and to prescribe rules of evidence in such cases.

Mr. Perrenot moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 63 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 63 was read first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Adams:

Senate Bill No. 64:

To be entitled an act to amend section 1, chapter 4120 of the Acts of 1893, Laws of Florida, relating to the pay of jurors.

Mr. Adams moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Bill No. 64 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 64 was read first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hartridge:

Senate Bill No. 65:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the defence of set off and recoupment in actions of distress for rent.

Mr. Hartridge moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Bill No. 65 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 65 was read first time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Phipps:

Senate Bill No. 66:

To be entitled an act to legalize the assessment and levies of taxes for the years 1890, 1891, 1892, 1893 and 1894, by the city of Key West, and to prescribe the mode of collecting the same.

Mr. Phipps moved that the rules be waived and Senate bill No. 66 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 66 was read first time by its title and referred to Committee on City and County Organization.

By Mr. Phipps:

Senate Bill No. 67:

A bill to be entitled an act to define and declare what shall be deemed nuisances injurious to health, and to provide for the removal of and punishment therefor.

Mr. Phipps moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Bill No. 67 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 67 was read first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Phipps:

Senate Bill No. 68:

A bill to be entitled an act supplementary to an act to establish the municipality of Key West; provide for its government, and prescribe its jurisdiction and powers, approved May 16, 1889, and to extend the powers of said municipality.

Mr. Phipps moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Bill No. 68 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 68 was read first time by its title and referred to the Committee on City and County Organization.

By Mr. Phipps:

Senate Bill No. 69:

A Bill to be entitled an act to provide for the registration of voters in the several counties of the State, and to provide for and regulate the holding of elections in the State of Florida.

Mr. Phipps moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Bill No. 69 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 69 was read first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Mr. Phipps moved that 200 copies of Senate Bill No. 69 be printed for the use of the Senate;

Which was agreed to and so ordered.

By Mr. Hicks:

Senate Bill No. 70:

To be entitled an act making confinement in the State prison a ground for divorce.

Mr. Hicks moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Bill No. 70 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 70 was read first time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Reynolds:

Senate Bill No. 71:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the division of counties into convenient sub-school districts.

Mr. Reynolds moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Bill No. 71 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 71 was read first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Reynolds:

Senate Bill No. 72:

A bill to be entitled an act in relation to prosecutions by the State of violation of prohibition regulations.

Mr. Reynolds moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Bill No. 72 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote

And Senate Bill No. 72 was read first time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Temperance.

By Mr. Thompson:

Senate Bill No 73:

To be entitled an act for the sanitary inspection and supervision of hotels and boarding houses.

Mr. Thompson moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 73 be read first time by its title ;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 73 was read first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Palmer of 14th:

Senate Bill No. 74:

To be entitled an act to prohibit prize fighting in this State.

Mr. Palmer of 14th moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Bill No. 74 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 74 was read first time by title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Chipley:

Senate Bill No. 75 :

A bill to be entitled an act to define the liability of sellers to purchasers of lands for unpaid taxes.

Mr. Chipley moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 75 be read a first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 75 was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Blitch of 20th (introduced by request):

Senate Bill No. 76 :

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Most Worshipful Union Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Florida, and all subordinate or particular lodges Masonically chartered.

Mr. Blitch moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Bill No. 76 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 76 was read first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Darby (introduced by request):

Senate Bill No. 77:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of John H. Daniels.

Mr. Darby moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Bill No. 77 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 77 was read first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Palmer of 11th:

Senate Bill No. 78:

A bill to be entitled an act to grant to the Tampa Suburban Railway company the right to condemn lands along its right-of way.

Mr. Palmer moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Bill No. 78 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 78 was read first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Consideration of Resolutions.

Senate Resolution No. 9:

Resolved, That the committee be required to report on the bill or bills referred to them within five days after such reference,

Was taken up and read.

Mr. Thomas moved that the resolution be adopted.

Mr. Thomas asked permission to withdraw Senate Resolution No. 9;

Which was granted.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Hartridge, Chairman Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER. }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 5, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate Bill No. 50:

A bill to be entitled an act to prescribe the fees of the sheriffs of the several counties of this State for certain purposes.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same and recommend that it be amended by striking out the words "twenty five," in the fourth line of section 1, and substituting therefor the word "forty."

And that Section 1 be amended by adding thereto the words, "which shall be controlled and regulated by the county commissioners of the several counties of the State;"

And as amended, recommend that this bill do pass.

Very respectfully,

JOHN E. HARTRIDGE,

Chairman Committee on Judiciary.

And the bill contained in the above report, together with the amendments offered by the committee, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER. }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 5, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate Bill No. 49:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 3031 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida,

Beg to report that they have carefully examined the same and recommend that it be amended by striking out the words "twenty-five" in the eighth line of section 1, and substituting therefor the word "forty," and that as amended the bill do pass.

Very respectfully,

JOHN E. HARTRIDGE,

Chairman Committee on Judiciary.

And the bill contained in the above report, together with the amendment offered by the committee, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 5, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate Bill No. 46:

Entitled an act to amend section 1761 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the landlords' lien for rent.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and report unfavorably on same, and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,
JOHN E. HARTRIDGE,
Chairman Committee on Judiciary.

And the bill contained in the above report was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 5, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate Bill No. 45:

To be entitled an act to require the giving of new or additional bonds by county officers, and to require the removal of officers failing to give such as are required by this act.

And,

Senate Bill No. 53:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the appointment of commissioners for the promotion of uniformity of legislation in the United States.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and report favorably on same, and recommend that they do pass.

Very respectfully,
JOHN E. HARTRIDGE,
Chairman Committee on Judiciary.

And the bills contained in the above report, were placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 5, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate Bill No. 26 :

A bill to be entitled an act relating to the custody and charge of prisoners when employed by the authority of county commissioners.

And,

Senate Bill No. 40:

To be entitled an act making appropriations to the various counties of the State to be expended in the payment of the costs and expenses of criminal prosecutions.

And,

Senate Bill No. 42 :

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal chapter 3934 of the acts of 1889, approved May 11th, 1889, entitled an act to establish a criminal court of record in the county of Lake,

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined same, and report favorably on same, and recommend that they do pass.

Very respectfully,

JOHN E. HARTRIDGE,

Chairman Committee on Judiciary.

And the bills contained in the above report were placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Chipley, chairman of the Committee on Finance and Taxation submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 5, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate :

SIR—Your Committee on Finance and Taxation, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 43 :

Beg leave to report that same has been considered.

Your committee recommend that the last sentence of section 1 to-wit, "or from making such special assessments of property as are in this chapter specified" be stricken out as amended, recommend that the bill do pass.

Also,

Senate Bill No. 17:

Which your committee returns to the Senate without recommendation.

Your committee has in charge Senate Bill No. 1, entitled "an act for the relief of tax payers" and has fixed 8 p. m. on Tuesday, April 9th for its consideration. Members of the Senate are respectfully requested to submit their bills if any on this subject in time to reach the committee by the time fixed.

Very respectfully,

W. D. CHIPLEY,

Chairman Committee on Finance and Taxation.

And Senate Bill No. 43 contained in the above report, together with the amendments offered by the committee and also Senate Bill No. 17, were placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

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

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 5, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 6:

And the amendment thereto, beg leave to report favorably the following substitute for same :

Whereas, there now stands upon the statute books of the State ample incorporation laws, whereby parties, at their own expense, may procure necessary charters, and incorporate their enterprises;

Therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring, that no bill of incorporation, except municipal corporations, be favorably reported by any of the standing committees of this Legislature, or be passed by either house of the same, where the subject matter of same may be obtained under the general incorporation laws now in force in this State,

And recommend that the same do pass.

Very respectfully,

B. D. WADSWORTH,

Chairman Committee on Corporations.

And Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 6 contained in the above report, together with the substitute offered by the committee, was laid over till to-morrow.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 5, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate :

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

Senate Bill No. 18 :

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered the same, and we her by report the same back, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

B. D. WADSWORTH,

Chairman Committee on Corporations.

And the bill contained in the above report was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Broome, Chairman of the Committee on Legislative Expenses, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 5, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate :

SIR—Your Committee on Legislative Expenses, to whom was referred—

Senate Resolution No. 6:

To employ clerical aid to the Finance Committee,

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same and recommend that it be adopted.

Very respectfully,

JAMES E. BROOME,

Chairman Committee on Legislative Expenses.

Senate Resolution No. 6 contained in the above report, together with the amendment offered by the committee, was laid over until tomorrow.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 5, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Legislative Expenses, to whom was referred—

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 5:

Whereas, The State is now laboring under great depression, and strict economy is demanded at our hands by a people struggling under losses, and burdened with taxes. And whereas, many errors arise, and crude legislation must and will follow the hurried passage of bills, unless carefully avoided, usually attending the last days of a legislature, now therefore to avoid the above contingencies,

Be it Resolved by the Senate, the House concurring, that no bill be introduced after the expiration of thirty days of this session, the first day of this term inclusive, and that the Legislature do adjourn after forty days hereof, to-wit, on the 12th day of May, 1895,

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and recommend that the same be made the special order for consideration at 11 o'clock on May 2, 1895.

Very respectfully,

JAMES E. BROOME,

Chairman Committee on Legislative Expenses.

And Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 5, contained in the above report, was made the special order for 11 o'clock, May 2nd, 1895.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 5, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Legislative Expenses, to whom was referred—

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 12:

Relative to representation at the opening of the national park at Chicamauga, September 19, 20 and 21, 1895,

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and recommend its adoption.

Very respectfully,

JAMES E. BROOME,

Chairman Committee on Legislative Expenses.

And the Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 12, contained in the above report, was laid over until to-morrow.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 5, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Legislative Expenses, to whom was referred—

House Concurrent Resolution No. 3:

Providing for the appointment of a joint committee to examine into the books and records of the Commissioner of Agriculture,

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and recommend its passage with the following amendments to-wit: Strike out all after the word "agriculture."

Very respectfully,

JAMES E. BROOME,

Chairman Committee on Legislative Expenses.

And House Concurrent Resolution No. 3 contained in the above report, together with the amendment offered by the committee, was laid over until to-morrow.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 5, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Legislative Expenses, to whom was referred—

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 10:

Resolved, By the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring, that a committee of two from the Senate and three from the House of Representatives be appointed to examine the books, records and accounts of the office of Commissioner of Agriculture, and they be authorized to employ such clerical aid as they may need.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and recommend its passage with the following amendment, to-wit: Strike out all after the word "agriculture."

Very respectfully,

JAMES E. BROOME,

Chairman Committee on Legislative Expenses.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 10 contained in the above report, together with the amendment offered by the committee, laid over until tomorrow.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 5, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate :

SIR—Your Committee on Legislative Expenses, to whom was referred—

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 11 :

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring, That a committee of two on the part of the Senate be appointed to act with a similar committee on the part of the House to examine the books and accounts of the Commissioner of Agriculture and employ such clerical aid as may be necessary,

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and recommend its passage, with the following amendment, to wit:

Strike out all after the word "agriculture."

Very respectfully,

JAMES E. BROOME,

Chairman Committee on Legislative Expenses.

And Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 11, contained in the above report, together with the amendment offered by the committee, was laid over until tomorrow.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 5, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate :

SIR—Your Committee on Legislative Expenses, to whom was referred—

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 9 :

Providing for the appointment of a joint committee to examine into the condition of the State Insane Asylum.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and recommend its adoption, with the following amendment thereto: Strike out all after the word "Chattahoochee."

Very respectfully,

JAMES E. BROOME,

Chairman Committee on Legislative Expenses.

And Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 9 contained in the above report, together with the above amendment offered by the committee, was laid over until tomorrow.

Also the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 5, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Legislative Expenses, to whom was referred—

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 3 :

Providing for the appointment of a joint committee to examine the books and records of the Commissioner of Agriculture,

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and recommend its passage, with the following amendment, to-wit :

Strike out all after the word "Agriculture."

Very respectfully,

JAMES E. BROOME,

Chairman Committee on Legislative Expenses.

And Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 3, contained in the above report, together with the amendment offered by the committee, was laid over until to-morrow.

Also the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 5, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate :

SIR—Your Committee on Legislative Expenses, to whom was referred—

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 2 :

Providing for the appointment of a joint committee to examine the books and records of the commissioner of agriculture, together with the amendment attached thereto,

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same and recommend the non concurrence of the Senate to the said amendment and the adoption of the resolution with the following amendment : Strike out all after the word "Agriculture."

Very respectfully,

JAMES E. BROOME,

Chairman Committee on Legislative Expenses.

And Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 2 contained in the above report, together with the amendments offered by the committee, was laid over until tomorrow.

Mr. Whidden, Chairman of the Committee on State Affairs, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 5, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate :

SIR—Your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred—

Senate Memorial No. 1 :

Relating to securing an appropriation for immediate relief of citizens in event of Providential calamities in any section of the United States of America ,

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

Very respectfully,

J. W. WHIDDEN,

Chairman Committee on State Affairs.

And the Senate Memorial No. 1 contained in the above report was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 5, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate :

SIR—Your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred—

Senate Memorial No. 2.

Relative to securing universal peace, or lessening the chances of war;

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

Very Respectfully,

J. W. WHIDDEN,

Chairman Committee on State Affairs.

And Senate Memorial No. 2, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 5, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate.

SIR—Your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 37:

A bill to be entitled an act to enable State convicts who have served a long period, with good behavior, to have their applications for pardon properly presented to the pardoning board, and for other purposes.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and recommend its passage.

Very respectfully,

J. W. WHIDDEN,

Chairman Committee on State Affairs.

And the bill contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 5, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 28:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the appointment of a State inspector of illuminating oils and fluids and to define his duties, being chapter 4160 of the Laws of Florida.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and recommend its passage.

Very respectfully,

J. W. WHIDDEN,

Chairman Committee on State Affairs.

And the bill contained in the above report was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 5, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 36 :

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal chapter 4160 of the Laws of 1893, entitled an act to authorize the appointment of a State inspector of oils and illuminating fluids, and to define his duties.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and refer back, without recommendation, having passed on similar bill.

Very respectfully,

J. W. WHIDDEN,

Chairman Committee on State Affairs.

And the bill contained in the above report was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

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

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 5, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate :

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

Senate Bill No. 25:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 2757, article 13, of the Revised Statutes of Florida, for the preservation of fisheries.

Also,

Senate Bill No. 41:

A bill to be entitled an act to prohibit the throwing of dynamite or other explosive in the waters of the State.

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

Very respectfully,

HENRY C. HICKS,

Chairman Committee on Fisheries.

And the bills contained in the above report were placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Morrow, Chairman of the Committee on Militia, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 5, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Militia, to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 7 :

A bill to be entitled an act to dispose of condemned cannon.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and recommend its passage.

Very respectfully,

ROBERT MORROW,

Chairman Committee on Militia.

And the bill contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Palmer of the 11th, Chairman of the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 5, 1895. }

HON. F. T. MYERS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Constitutional Amendments beg leave to make the following report:

Senate Joint Resolution No. 10:

By Mr. Marks:

Proposing an amendment to section 10 of the Declaration of Rights of the Constitution of the State of Florida.

We have examined, and hereby report the same favorable, and recommend that the same do pass.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 12:

By Mr. Chipley:

This committee, having examined said resolution, offer the following committee amendment:

After the words "Secretary of State," on the second line of Section 12 of said resolution, strike out the name "Comptroller and Commissioner of Agriculture," and add before the words "Secretary of State" the word "and," making the said resolution to read as follows:

SECTION XII.

"The Governor, Attorney-General and Secretary of State, or a major part of them, of whom the Governor shall be one, may, upon such conditions and with such limitations and restrictions as they may deem proper, remit fines and forfeitures, commute punishments, grant pardons after convictions, in all cases except treason and impeachment, subject to such regulations as may be prescribed by law relative to the manner of applying for pardons."

Resolution No. 12, "B:"

By Mr. Chipley:

We have examined Senate Joint Resolution No. 12, "B," proposing an amendment to Section 6 of Article XVI of the

Constitution, and have found the same favorable, and do hereby recommend that said resolution do pass.

Number 4, No. 5, No. 8, No. 19, No. 20, No. 21:

We have examined No. 4, proposing an amendment to amended Section 9 of Article XVII.

By Mr. Thompson.

No. 5. Proposing an amendment of section 9 of article 18 of the Constitution,

By Mr. Adams.

No. 8. Proposing an amendment to section 9 of article 18 of the Constitution,

By Mr. Fleming.

No. 19. Proposing an amendment to the Constitution,

By Mr. Blich of 21st.

No. 20. Proposing an amendment to the Constitution,

By Mr. Blich of 21st.

No. 21. Proposing an amendment to the Constitution,

By Mr. Blich of 21st.

All covering the same subject as embraced in Resolution No. 4, and after duly examining the same we beg leave herewith to submit the committee's substitute for all of said resolutions, said substitute being hereto appended, and we recommend that the same do pass.

All of which is respectfully hereby submitted.

THOMAS PALMER, Chairman.

And the joint resolutions contained in the above report, together with the substitute offered by the committee, were placed on the calendar of bills on second reading:

Mr. Williamson requested that the substitute be read.

And the substitute was read.

Mr. Dougherty moved that the substitute and accompanying resolution lay on the table, and that 200 copies of the substitute be printed;

Which was agreed to, and so ordered.

By permission, Mr. Thompson introduced —

Senate Bill No. 79:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend sections 52, 53 and 54 of the School law, and for other purposes.

Mr. Thompson moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Bill No. 79 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 79 was read first time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Orders of the Day.

The motion of Mr. Chipley pending on the adjournment of the Senate yesterday,

That the testimony accompanying the report of the special committee to investigate the alleged discrimination and improper practices of railroad officers and employes,

Was taken up.

Mr. Chipley withdrew the motion.

Mr. Thompson moved that the Senate do now adjourn;

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned till tomorrow at 10 o'clock.

SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 1895.

The Senate convened pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Blich of 20th, Blich of 21st, Broome, Chipley, Daniel, Darby, Dougherty, Genovar, Hartridge, Hicks, Marks, Morrow, McKinney, McLeran, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Peacock, Perrenot, Phipps, Reeves, Reynolds, Thomas, Thompson, Wadsworth, Weeks, Whidden and Williamson—30.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was corrected and approved.

Senator Bailey was excused until Monday on account of sickness.

Introduction of Bills.

By Mr. McLinn:

Senate Bill No. 80:

A bill to be entitled an act to extend the term for selling property for taxes that may become due for the year 1895.

Mr. McLinn moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Bill No. 80 be read first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 80 was read first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Finance and Taxation.

By Mr. Hartridge: