

The motion of Mr. Hooker to adopt the amendment was not agreed to.

Mr. Palmer of 11th moved that the Senate do now adjourn; Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, MAY 11, 1897.

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, Barber, Blich of 20th, Blich of 21st, Broome, Bynum, Carson, Crosby, Daniel, Dimick, Dougherty, Fuller, Gaillard, Hooker, Myers, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Peacock, Phipps, Reeves, Thomas and Wadsworth—25.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was approved.

Mr. Blich of 21st offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 21:

Whereas, The session is drawing to a close, and there is a multiplicity of business before this body, therefore be it

Resolved that no member be allowed to speak more than ten minutes to one measure, unless this body gives its consent.

Mr. Blich of 21st moved the adoption of the resolution;

Which was agreed to.

Introduction of Bills.

By Mr. Dougherty:

Senate Bill No. 222:

A bill to be entitled an act declaring the town of DeLeon Springs, in the county of Volusia, to be a legally incorporated town;

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

By Mr. Dougherty:

Senate Bill No. 223:

A bill to be entitled an act enabling municipal corporations to enlarge their boundaries;

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

By Mr. Bynum (by request):

Senate Bill No. 224:

A bill to be entitled an act to create a commission to formulate a graded course of study for the public schools of the State of Florida, and to provide for its introduction;

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Dimick:

Senate Bill No. 225:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the establishment of sub-districts in working, repairing the public roads and bridges of the several counties of this State.

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

By Mr. Crosby:

Senate Bill No. 226:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 5 of chapter 4193, Laws of Florida, being an act to provide for the election of members of the County Board of Public Instruction, and fix their compensation;

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Mr. Bailey asked permission to withdraw Senate Bill No. 47, and substitute House Bill No. 44 for it on the calendar;

Which was granted.

Mr. Blitch of 21st moved that the reading of the reports of committees be dispensed with, and that the reports be spread upon the journal;

Which was agreed to.

And the reports were spread upon the journal as directed.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Fuller, Chairman of the Committee on Finance and Taxation, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 10, 1897. }

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

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

House Bill No. 132:

A bill to be entitled an act requiring the Comptroller to furnish a list of the lands not subject to taxation to the various county assessors.

Beg leave to report that they have had the same under careful consideration, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

H. W. FULLER,

Chairman Committee on Finance and Taxation.

And House Bill No. 132, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Fuller, Chairman of the Committee on Finance and Taxation, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 10, 1897. }

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate Bill No. 156:

A bill to be entitled an act providing for the collection of a succession or collateral inheritance tax, or tax on transfer of real and personal property under certain conditions.

Beg leave to report that they have examined same, and return it herewith without recommendation.

Very respectfully,

H. W. FULLER,

Chairman Committee on Finance and Taxation.

And Senate Bill No. 156, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

A message was received from the Governor.

Mr. McLin, Chairman of the Committee on Railroads, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 11, 1897. }

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate Bill No. 221:

A bill to be entitled an act to extend the time for the commencement of work upon the Titusville, Canaveral and Peninsular railroad.

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

Very respectfully,

B. E. McLIN,
Chairman Committee on Railroads.

And Senate Bill No. 221, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. McLin, Chairman of the Committee on Railroads, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 11, 1897. }

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

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

House Bill No. 44:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 3 of chapter 447, Laws of Florida, approved May 30, 1895, in reference to a railroad from Tallahassee to Gainesville and other points.

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

Very respectfully,

B. E. McLIN,
Chairman Committee on Railroads.

And House Bill No. 44, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Blitch of 21st, Chairman of the Committee on Fisheries, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 11, 1897. }

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

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

House Bill No. 99:

A bill to be entitled an act for the protection and preservation of food fishes in the St. Johns river, and all other streams, rivers, creeks and bayous in the State of Florida.

Beg leave to report that they have had the same under consideration, and offer the following amendments, and as amended, recommend that it do pass.

In line 5, section 6, after the word "persons," insert the words "residing within this State."

Also, in line 7, section 6, strike out the words "except non residents."

Very respectfully,

N. A. BLITCH,

Chairman Committee on Fisheries.

And House Bill No. 99, contained in the above report, together with the amendments offered by the committee, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. McLin, Chairman of the Committee on Railroads, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 11, 1897. }

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

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

House Bill No. 131:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend chapter 4431, Acts of 1895, entitled an act to require railroad companies, other companies and persons operating railroad or running cars or trains in this State to prepare and put up blackboards for posting the marks, brands, color and sex of live stock killed or injured by engines or cars, requiring certain railroad employes to report the killing of such live stock, and to keep a

record of and to post the marks, brands, color and sex thereof, and providing penalties for failure so to do, and for burying the carcasses of live stock so killed before the report of the same is posted, and to repeal chapter 4189 of the Laws of Florida.

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

Very respectfully,

B. E. McLIN,

Chairman Committee on Railroads.

And House Bill No. 131, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

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

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 11, 1897. }

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

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

An act to extend the time for completing the Carrabelle, Tallahassee and Georgia Railroad, and to preserve and continue the grant of lands heretofore made to aid in its construction.

Beg leave to report that the same has been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, and is herewith presented for the signature of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

Very respectfully,

J. N. HOOKER,

Chairman Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Enrolled.

The President announced that he was about to sign—

An act to extend the time for completing the Carrabelle, Tallahassee and Georgia Railroad, and to preserve and continue the grant of lands heretofore made to aid in its construction.

The act was therefore duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate, and ordered returned to the Chair—

man of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to convey to the Governor for his approval.

Orders of the Day.

Mr. Bynum's motion, made yesterday, that the vote by which Senate Bill No. 121 failed to pass be reconsidered,
Was taken up.

Mr. Reeves moved that the consideration of the motion to reconsider go over for an hour;
Which was agreed to.

A message was received from the House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 168:

A bill to be entitled an act to consolidate and improve the State institutions of learning, and to provide for the further increase and diffusing of knowledge among the people of the State of Florida, and for other purposes;

Which was under consideration yesterday when the Senate adjourned,

Was taken up.

Mr. Reeves offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 168 (printed copy):

In line 2, section 1, immediately after the word "Florida," insert "and the State Normal School at DeFuniak Springs, are hereby consolidated and."

Mr. Reeves moved the adoption of the amendment;

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Reeves offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 168 (printed copy):

In line 2, section 1, immediately after the word "St. Augustine," insert "and the State Normal School at DeFuniak Springs, Florida."

Mr. Reeves moved the adoption of the amendment;

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Reeves offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 168:

In line 2, section 1, immediately after the word "Florida" insert "are hereby consolidated, and."

Mr. Reeves moved the adoption of the amendment;

Which was not agreed to.

Section 2 was read.

Section 3 was read.

Mr. Reeves offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 168 (printed copy):

In line 6, section 3, immediately after the word "Regents," strike out all the remaining words of said section, and substitute therefor the following: "Six members of said board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but in deciding any question coming before said board, an affirmative vote of not less than five members shall be required."

Mr. Reeves moved the adoption of the amendment;
Which was not agreed to.

Section 4 was read.

Mr. Reeves offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 168 (printed copy):

Strike out section 4 down to and including the word "charge" in line 2.

Mr. Reeves moved the adoption of the amendment;
Which was not agreed to.

Section 5 was read.

Mr. Reeves offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 168 (printed copy):

In lines 3 and 4, section 5, strike out the words "but shall be subject to removal at any time for any cause satisfactory to a majority of the whole Board of Regents."

Mr. Reeves moved the adoption of the amendment;
Which was agreed to.

Mr. Carson offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 168 (printed copy):

In line 2, section 5, strike out the words "for a period of not less than three years,"

Mr. Carson moved the adoption of the amendment;
Which was agreed to.

Mr. Hooker offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 168 (printed copy):

In line 9, section 5, strike out the word "two" between the words "for" and "years," and substitute therefor the word "one."

Mr. Hooker moved the adoption of the amendment;
Which was agreed to.

The motion of Mr. Bynum to reconsider the vote by which Senate Bill No. 121 failed to pass yesterday, and which had been deferred for an hour, was taken up at 11:15 o'clock.

The motion to reconsider prevailed.

The question recurred upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 121.

Mr. Reeves moved that action upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 121 be deferred until to-morrow;

Which was agreed to.

Consideration of—

Senate Bill No. 168:

A bill to be entitled an act to consolidate and improve the State institutions of learning, and to provide for the further increase and diffusing of knowledge among the people of the State of Florida, and for other purposes,

Was resumed.

Section 6 was read.

Mr. Hooker offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 168 (printed copy):

In line 5, section 6, after the word "college," insert "or of a normal, military or technical school."

Mr. Hooker moved the adoption of the amendment;

Which was not agreed to.

Section 7 was read.

Mr. Adams offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 168 (printed copy):

In line 7, section 7, after the word "seminaries," add "The South Florida Military and Educational Institute, the Agricultural College and the Normal School at DeFuniak Springs "

Mr. Adams moved the adoption of the amendment;

Which was agreed to.

Section 8 was read.

Section 9 was read.

Section 10 was read.

Section 11 was read.

Section 12 was read.

Section 13 was read.

Section 14 was read.

Mr. Carson offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 168 (printed copy):

In line 3, section 14, before the word "university", insert the words "department of."

Mr. Carson moved the adoption of the amendment;

Which was agreed to.

Section 15 was read.

Section 16 was read.

Section 17 was read.

Section 18 was read.

Mr. Palmer of 14th offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 168 (printed copy):

In line 1, section 18, insert between the words "Regents" and "is" the words "by and with the advice and consent of the president and faculty of the university."

Mr. Palmer of 14th moved the adoption of the amendment;
Which was agreed to.

Section 19 was read.

Section 20 was read.

Section 21 was read.

Mr. Palmer of 11th moved that the further consideration of Senate Bill No. 168 be deferred until 4 o'clock this afternoon, provided there be a session; if not, then to be a special order for 10 o'clock to-morrow;

Which was agreed to.

By permission—

Mr. Daniel, Chairman of the Committee on Privileges and Elections, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 11, 1897. }

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate Bill No. 226:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 5 of chapter 4193, Laws of Florida, being an act to provide for the election of members of the county school board of public instruction, and fix their compensation.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that the same do not pass.

Very respectfully,

W. J. DANIEL,

Chairman Committee on Privileges and Election.

And Senate Bill No. 226, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

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

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 11, 1897. }

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

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

An act to protect and encourage the artificial growth of sponges within the waters of the State of Florida, and con-

ceding certain riparian rights to those engaged therein, and to prescribe a license in certain cases.

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

Very respectfully,

J. N. HOOKER,

Chairman Committee on Enrolled Bills.

And the act contained in the above report was referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

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

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 7, 1897. }

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

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

An act to protect and encourage the artificial growth of sponges within the waters of the State of Florida, and conceding certain riparian rights to those engaged therein, and to prescribe a license in certain cases.

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

Very respectfully,

J. N. HOOKER,

Chairman Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

And the act contained in the above report was referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to be conveyed to the House of Representatives for signature of Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

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

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 8, 1897. }

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

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

An act to extend the time for completing the Carrabelle, Tallahassee and Georgia Railroad, and to preserve and con-

tinue the grant of lands heretofore made to aid in its construction.

Beg leave to report that the same has been delivered to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

J. N. HOOKER,

Chairman Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Bills on Second Reading.

House Bill No. 32:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 13, of chapter 4346, of the Laws of Florida, being an act entitled an act to define and declare what shall be deemed nuisances injurious to health, and to provide for the removal thereof and punishment therefor,

Was taken up and read the second time in full, and passed to calendar of bills on third reading.

Senate Bill No. 117:

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Tallahassee and Central Florida Railway Company, and to grant to said company certain lands to aid in the construction of its railway,

Was taken up.

During the reading of Senate Bill No. 117—

A committee from the House of Representatives announced that the House was ready to receive the Senate in joint session, and to proceed to the election of a United States Senator in joint session.

The hour of 12 o'clock having arrived, the Senate proceeded in a body to the hall of the House of Representatives.

12 O'CLOCK M.

JOINT SESSION, May 11, 1897.

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

President Perrenot in the chair.

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

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

Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Bailey, Barber, Blich of 20th, Blich of 21st, Broome, Bynum, Carson, Chipley, Crosby, Daniel, Darby, Dimick, Dougherty, Fuller, Gailard, Hartridge, Hooker, Myers, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Peacock, Phipps, Reeves, Thomas, Wadsworth and Williams—29.

A quorum present.

The President ordered the roll of the House called.

Upon call of the roll, the following Members answered to their names:

Mr. Speaker, Messrs. Ayer, Baggett, Baker, Ballentine, Bates, Bethel, Blanton, Bunch, Burnsed, Canty, Carlisle, Carter, Chaires, Christie, Cobb, Cox, Crumpton, Dees, Dupree, Dyal, Ellis, Frisbee, Fielding, Fulton, Hardee, Harris, Hendry of Lee, Hendry of Taylor, Hyer, Lamar, Lewis, Linton, McCall, McCreary, Mobley, Morgan of Hamilton, Morgan of Putnam, Owens, Pelot, Pedrick, Pope, Potter, Rawls, Register, Rice, Richbourg, Robertson, Rouse, Shepard of Liberty, Shepard of Orange, Sloan, Spencer, Stockton, Street, Thayer, Turner, Wall of Bradford, Wall of Putnam, Ward, Watson, Whitner, Williams, Wilson, Wolff, Young and Zewadski—67.

A quorum present.

The Journal of yesterday was approved.

Mr. Darby offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The people of Florida when they delegated the authority in us as Legislators did so with an assurance that we would legislate to reduce taxation, and adhere to principle, serve people instead of persons.

Whereas, All of the candidates now before the Legislature have subscribed to the same principle.

Whereas, To continue in the future as we have in the past is to ignore the people, the taxpayer and the interest of the State of Florida, and State legislation is put aside to serve individuals.

Resolved, If after balloting five more times this Joint Assembly have not succeeded in electing a United States Senator that all names now, or that have been before this Assembly to be elected to the United States Senate be withdrawn and other names substituted.

Mr. Darby moved the adoption of the resolution.

Mr. Fuller offered the following amendment to the resolution of Mr. Darby:

After the word "that" in second line, insert "this assembly request all candidates to withdraw except the two receiving

the highest number of votes in the fifth ballot," and strike out all words following.

Mr. Reeves moved the adoption of the amendment.

Mr. Dimick moved to lay the amendment on the table;

Which was agreed to.

And the amendment together with resolution, was laid on the table.

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

Which was agreed to.

And the joint session proceeded to vote for United States Senator.

The roll of the Senate was called, and the vote was:

For Stockton—Messrs. Adams, Blich of 21st, Broome, Crosby, Palmer of 14th, Thomas and Williams—7.

For Chipley—Mr. President, Messrs. Barber, Bynum, Dimick, Dougherty, Fuller, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hooker, Palmer of 11th, Peacock, Reeves and Wadsworth—13.

For Raney—Messrs. Bailey, Carson, Daniel, Myers and Phipps—5.

For Hocker—Mr. McLin—1.

For Burford—Mr. Blich of 20th—1.

For Mays—Mr Darby—1.

Total number of votes cast, 28.

Mr. Chipley was passed.

The roll of the House of Representatives was called, and the vote was:

For Stockton—Messrs. Ayer, Baker, Bates, Bethel, Blanton, Bunch, Burnsed, Canty, Carlisle, Carter, Crumpton, Dupree, Dyal, Frisbee, Hendry of Taylor, Lewis, Linton, McCall, McCreary, Mobley, Morgan of Hamilton, Pelot, Pope, Rawls, Rouse, Shepard of Liberty, Wall of Bradford, Wall of Putnam, Ward, Wilson and Wolff—31.

For Chipley—Mr. Speaker, Messrs. Baggett, Ballentine, Cobb, Cox, Dees, Ellis, Fielding, Harris, Hendry of Lee, Hyer, Morgan of Putnam, Owens, Pedrick, Potter, Robertson, Shepard of Orange, Spencer, Stanford, Street, Thayer, Watson, Williams and Young—24.

For Raney—Messrs. Chaires, Christie, Hardee, Lamar, Register, Rice, Turner, and Whitner—8.

For Hocker—Messrs. Fulton, Sloan and Zewadski—3.

For Mallory—Mr. Richbourg—1.

Total number of votes cast, 67.

Mr. Stockton was passed.

When the name of Mr. Dupree of Columbia was called he rose, and in his usual clear, concise manner, stated that he was satisfied that in the past he had been voting in the inter-

est of his people, but that those who espoused the cause for which he had been casting his vote had been silent while the other side had been active, therefore in the interest of those people he would vote differently to-day, but reserving to himself the right to cast in the future his vote as he was satisfied the majority of his constituents desired.

The Secretary announced that twenty-eight (28) votes in the Senate, and sixty-seven (67) in the House, making a total of ninety-five (95) votes, had been cast.

The President announced that the following gentlemen had received the number of votes opposite their respective names:

Jno. N. C. Stockton, 38;

W. D. Chipley, 37;

G. P. Raney, 13;

W. A. Hocker, 4;

R. A. Burford, 1;

D. H. Mays, 1;

S. R. Mallory, 1;

And that no one having received the majority of votes cast as required by law, that there was no election of United States Senator.

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

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the joint session stood adjourned until 12 o'clock to-morrow.

1:50 O'CLOCK.

At 1:50 p. m. the Senate resumed its session.

The President in the chair.

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

Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Barber, Blicht of 20th, Blicht of 21st, Bynum, Carson, Chipley, Crosby, Daniel, Dougherty, Fuller, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hooker, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Peacock, Phipps, Reeves, Thomas, Wadsworth and Williams—24.

A quorum present.

At 12:51—

Mr. Blicht of 21st moved that the Senate do now go into executive session;

Which was agreed to, and the doors were closed.

At 1:02 o'clock the doors were opened.

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

Mr. President, Messrs. Bailey, Blich of 20th, Blich of 21st, Broome, Bynum, Carson, Chipley, Crosby, Daniel, Darby, Dimick, Dognerty, Fuller, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hooker, Myers, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Peacock, Phipps, Thomas and Williams—25.

A quorum present.

Mr. Darby was excused until to-morrow morning.

Mr. Phipps moved that the rules be waived, and that the Senate take up messages from the House of Representatives; Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Messages from the House.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 11, 1897. }

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to return to the Senate for correction—

Senate Bill No. 65:

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Sanibel Island Railway and Construction Company.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Mr. Phipps asked unanimous consent to amend the bill by inserting the "enacting clause," to-wit:

"Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida;"
Which was granted.

Mr. Palmer of 14th moved that the Senate do now take a recess until 4 p. m;

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned until 4 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

4:00 O'CLOCK

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, Bynum, Carson, Crosby, Daniel, Dimick, Dougherty, Fuller, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hooker, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Peacock, Phipps and Williams—20.

A quorum present.

Mr. Phipps moved that the rules be waived and the vote by which he was allowed at the morning session to amend Senate Bill No. 65 be reconsidered;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Mr. Phipps moved that Senate Bill No. 65 be placed back on its third reading;

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 65 was placed back on its third reading.

Mr. Phipps asked unanimous consent to amend Senate Bill No. 65 on its third reading;

Which was granted.

Mr. Phipps offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 65, to-wit:

Amend by inserting the enacting clause, "Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida."

Mr. Phipps moved the adoption of the amendment:

Which was agreed to unanimously.

Senate Bill No. 65 was then again put upon its passage.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Bailey, Blitch of 20th, Blitch of 21st, Broome, Bynum, Carson, Crosby, Daniel, Dimick, Dougherty, Fuller, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hooker, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Phipps, Reeves and Williams—21.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Mr. Phipps moved that the rules be further waived, and that the action of the Senate upon Senate Bill No. 65 be at once certified to the House of Representatives;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Mr. Fuller moved that Senate Bill No. 87 be made the special order for to-morrow at 11 a. m.;

Which was agreed to.

Senate Bill No. 168:

A bill to be entitled an act to consolidate and improve the State institutions of learning, and to provide for the further increase and diffusing of knowledge among the people of the State of Florida, and for other purposes.

The further consideration of which was made the special order for this afternoon,

Was taken up.

Section 21 was again read.

Section 22 was read.

Section 23 was read.

Section 24 was read.

And Senate Bill No. 168, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 117:

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Tallahassee and Central Florida Railway Company, and to grant to said company certain lands to aid in the construction of its railway;

Which was being read the second time when the Senate went into joint session,

Was taken up and read the second time in full.

And Senate Bill No. 117 was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 122:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 267 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to investment by Boards of Education of moneys of school fund,

Was taken up and read the second time in full.

And Senate Bill No. 122 was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 78:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to amend section 255 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, and to define and declare what number of hours shall comprise a school day.

Was taken up, together with amendments offered by Committee on Education, and read the second time in full.

Mr. Blich of 20th moved the adoption of the committee amendments;

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 78, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

House Bill No. 158:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the municipal officers of the city of Key West, a municipal corporation existing in the county of Monroe, Florida; to prescribe their

terms of office, provide for their election and appointment, and regulate their compensation, and to repeal sections 2 and 3 of chapter 3966, Laws of Florida, and amendments thereto.

Was taken up and read the second time in full.

Mr. Phipps offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 158 (engrossed copy):

In line 9, section 1, after the word "members," insert the word "each."

Mr. Phipps moved the adoption of the amendment;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Phipps offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 158 (engrossed copy):

In lines 9 and 11, section 1, strike out the words "each ward," and substitute therefor the words "First and Second wards and three members from the Third ward."

Mr. Phipps moved the adoption of the amendment;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Phipps offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 158 (engrossed copy):

In line 15, section 2, strike out the words "each ward," and substitute therefor the words "the First and Second wards and three from the Third ward."

Mr. Phipps moved the adoption of the amendment;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Phipps offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 158 (engrossed copy):

In line 15, section 2, after the words "members," insert the word "each."

Mr. Phipps moved the adoption of the amendment;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Phipps offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 158 (engrossed copy):

In line 3, section 5, after the word "act" strike out the words "until the first Tuesday after the first Monday in July, A. D. 1897, and."

Mr. Phipps moved the adoption of the amendment;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Phipps offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 158 (engrossed copy):

In line 21, section 44, after the word "equal," strike out the words "and the highest number."

Mr. Phipps moved the adoption of the amendment;

Which was agreed to.

And House Bill No. 158, as amended, was placed on the calendar of bills on third reading.

Senate Bill No. 136:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 720 of the Re-

vised Statutes of the State of Florida, in reference to contracting of territorial limits of cities and towns,

Was taken up and read the second time in full, and referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 133:

A bill to be entitled an act to declare legal the incorporation of the town of Lake Butler, in the county of Bradford, incorporated under the statutes for incorporating cities and towns, and to provide for the issuance of bonds by said town, for the purpose of establishing a system of water works and sewerage, and for illuminating purposes for said town,

Was taken up and read the second time in full, and referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 144:

A bill to be entitled an act to fix the boundaries of the town of Live Oak, in Suwanee county, Florida, and to authorize said town to make its own valuations of property therein for assessment for municipal purposes,

Was taken up and read the second time in full, and referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 9:

Senate Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section 30 of article 16 of the Constitution of the State of Florida,

Was taken up and read the second time in full, and referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 98:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section 6, article 8 of the Constitution of the State of Florida,

Was taken up and read the second time in full, and referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 15:

Senate Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section 35 of article 5 of the Constitution of the State of Florida, relating to the establishment of courts in this State,

Was taken up and read the second time in full, and referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Mr. Palmer of 11th moved that the rules be waived, and that the Senate consider bills on third reading;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Bills on Third Reading.

Senate Bill No. 67:

A bill to be entitled an act to prohibit fishing in the waters of Lake Worth and tributaries,

Was taken up and read the third time in full, and put upon its passage.

Mr. Dimick asked unanimous consent to amend Senate Bill No. 67 on third reading;

Which was granted.

Mr. Dimick offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 67:

Substitute the words "A bill" for "An act" as the first two words in the title of the bill.

Mr. Dimick moved the adoption of the amendment;

Which was agreed to unanimously.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Bailey, Barber, Blich of 20th, Blich of 21st, Broome, Bynum, Carson, Crosby, Daniel, Dimick, Dougherty, Fuller, Gaillard, Hooker, Myers, McLin, Palmer of 14th, Peacock, Phipps and Thomas—20.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Mr. Palmer of 11th was excused from voting.

Senate Bill No. 102:

A bill to be entitled an act to legalize acknowledgements and other official acts of notaries public who had been duly commissioned,

Was taken up and read the third time in full, and put upon its passage.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Bailey, Barber, Blich of 20th, Blich of 21st, Broome, Bynum, Carson, Crosby, Daniel, Dimick, Dougherty, Fuller, Gaillard, Hooker, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Peacock, Phipps and Thomas—20.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Senate Bill No. 45:

A bill to be entitled an act relating to the payment of officers' cost in civil cases,

Was taken up and read the third time in full, and put upon its passage.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Bailey, Barber, Bynum, Daniel, Dimick, Fuller, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hooker, McLin, Palmer of 14th and Phipps—12.

Nays—Messrs. Blich of 20th, Blich of 21st, Broome, Carson, Crosby, Dougherty, Palmer of 11th and Thomas—8.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Mr. Palmer of 14th moved to reconsider the vote by which Senate Bill No. 45 passed;

Which motion went over under the rules until to-morrow
Senate Bill No. 46:

A bill to be entitled an act in relation to costs in examination of criminal cases before grand juries and county solicitors.

Was taken up and read the third time in full, and put upon its passage.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. McLin—1.

Nays—Messrs. Bailey, Barber, Blich of 20th, Blich of 21st, Broome, Bynum, Carson, Dimick, Dougherty, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hooker, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Phipps and Thomas—16.

So Senate Bill No. 46 failed to pass.

Mr. Hooker was excused from attendance to-morrow.

Mr. Bailey moved that the Senate do now adjourn;

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Confirmations.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

SUMTER COUNTY.

District No. 1—Rufus H. Smith.

District No. 2—John M. Harris.

District No. 3—David M. Lay.

District No. 4—J. D. Crump.

District No. 5—Robert S. Hays.

WAKULLA COUNTY.

District No. 1—William Moody.

District No. 2—John S. Ferrell.

District No. 3—Richard E. McMillan.

District No. 4—James A. Ezell.

District No. 5—M. B. Anderson.

MANATEE COUNTY.

District No. 1—J. A. Howze.

District No. 2—W. F. Parrish.

District No. 3—A. H. Albritton.

District No. 4—W. H. Vanderipe.

District No. 5—S. C. Corwin.

LAFAYETTE COUNTY.

- District No. 1—A. B. Clark.
 District No. 2—R. B. Hill.
 District No. 3—T. J. Ward.
 District No. 4—O. G. Felton.
 District No. 5—Joseph Williams.

POLK COUNTY.

- District No. 1—D. C. Lancaster.
 District No. 2.—W. H. Lewis.
 District No. 3—T. L. Hughes.
 District No. 4—A. B. Harrington.
 District No. 5—W. B. Bonacker.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 12, 1897.

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, Barber, Blich of 20th, Blich of 21st, Broome, Bynum, Carson, Chipley, Crosby, Daniel, Darby, Dimick, Dougherty, Fulier, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hooker, Myers, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Peacock, Phipps, Reeves, Thomas and Williams—27.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was corrected and approved.

Introduction of Bills.

By Mr. Hartridge:

Senate Bill No. 227:

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate the selling of second hand clothing, second hand shoes and other second hand articles in the several cities and counties of this State, and the manner of procuring a license to sell same, and providing a punishment for the violation thereof;