

And Senate Bill No. 161, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also the following:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA, May 31, 1897. }

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 405:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the levy of taxes for the years 1897 and 1898.

And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 405, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Blich of 21st moved that the rules be waived, and that House Bill No. 405 be passed to calendar of bills on second reading without reference;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Dougherty moved that the Senate do now adjourn;

Which was agreed to.

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

TUESDAY, JUNE 1, 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, Blich of 20th, Blich of 21st, Broome, Bynum, Carson, Chipley, Clark, Crosby, Daniel, Dimick, Gaillard, Hendley, Hooker, Myers, McLin, Palmer of

11th, Palmer of 14th, Phipps, Reeves, Roberts, Thomas, Wadsworth and Williams—24.

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. Blich of 21st:

Senate Bill No. 298:

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Florida Herald Publishing Company;

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Blich of 21st moved that the rules be waived, and that Senate Bill No. 298 be read second time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 298 was read second time by its title, and placed on the calendar of bills on third reading.

By Mr. Adams:

Senate Bill No. 299:

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal section 1399 of the Revised Statutes of Florida, relating to circuit court stenographers;

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Adams moved that the rules be waived, and that Senate Bill No. 299 be read the second time in full;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 299 was read the second time in full.

Mr. Adams moved that the rules be waived, and that Senate Bill No. 299 be read the third time and put upon its passage;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 299 was read the third time in full.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Blich of 20th, Blich of 21st, Broome, Bynum, Clark, Crosby, Hendley, Palmer of 14th, Roberts and Thomas—12.

Nays—Messrs. Barber, Carson, Chipley, Daniel, Dimick, Hartridge, Hooker, Myers, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Phipps, Reeves and Williams—13.

So Senate Bill No 299 failed to pass.

Reports of Committees.

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

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 31, 1897. }

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate Bill No. 291:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 875 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida relating to fences.

Have had the same carefully examined the same, and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,

W. B. CLARK,

Chairman Committee on Agriculture.

And Senate Bill No. 291, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Carson, Chairman of the Committee on Indian Affairs, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 1, 1897. }

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

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

House Bill No. 307:

A bill to be entitled an act to set apart and hold in reserve lands for the Seminole Indians, in trust.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that the same do pass.

Very respectfully,

C. A. CARSON.

Chairman Committee on Indian Affairs.

And House Bill No. 307, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Roberts, Chairman of the Joint Committee to visit and

examine into the condition and management of the Insane Asylum at Chattahoochee, submitted the following report:

TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 1, 1897.

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Joint Committee appointed to visit and examine into the condition and management of the Insane Asylum at Chattahoochee, and the books and records of said institution, beg leave to report that they have discharged these duties by making a careful and thorough investigation and examination of the grounds, buildings and all appurtenances and surroundings of the same, and also by making a rigid examination of the manner in which the books and records are kept as well as by making a most painstaking examination of the medical department of the institution.

Your committee is glad to be able to report that they found this most important institution of the State in an exceedingly gratifying condition. The new buildings constructed since the last session of the Legislature, give ample room for the constantly increasing number of patients, and the new as well as the old buildings are kept with utmost neatness and cleanliness. The surroundings of the patients are attractive, their quarters are comfortable, clean and well ventilated to insure health. The Superintendent, Mr. J. W. Trammell, is entitled to great credit for his able and economical management, his kindness to the unfortunate patients, his careful attention to the details of the place, and for the uniform gentleness and kindness in the management and treatment he secures to the patients from all the attendants.

Mr. Trammell appreciates the delicate trust committed to his hands, and he is tireless in his efforts to properly discharge the sacred duty imposed on him.

The medical department is under the control of Dr. Louis deM. Blocker, who has in a marked degree shown his skill and success by constant ministrations to the suffering and necessities of the patients. That he has the confidence and affection of the inmates is shown by their manifestations of delight and satisfaction when he goes among them. The dispensary is managed by Dr. Blocker, and is a model of neatness and order. A complete set of books, giving a history of the treatment of each patient, is carefully kept by Dr. Blocker. We are pleased to note that there are only a small number of suffering from sickness other than the cause of their being at the asylum. In view of the successful treatment, the tireless

care and attention given by Dr. Blocker, and the ever increasing number of patients requiring his skillful services, we earnestly recommend that the Board of Commissioners raise the salary of the physician \$300. He really deserves it.

Your committee reports that the superintendent has under cultivation about thirty acres in vegetables, such as cabbages, Irish potatoes, beans, strawberries, etc., for the use of the patients. There are also in cultivation about one hundred acres in corn and other articles of food for the use of the inmates and attendants. There has been constructed a dairy and creamery, and the management will keep forty cows on the place to furnish an economical supply of healthy fresh butter and milk. Over two hundred head of fine hogs are being raised for food purposes. In short we find the entire institution and its affairs committed to good hands under the supervision of the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions, who are thoroughly in sympathy with the workings of the institution and render every aid possible to the superintendent, and we heartily approve the management. Visitors to the asylum are courteously received and the rules and regulations of the asylum, which are firmly enforced, insure safety and comfort to the inmates, and creating a pleasing impression on visitors.

For more detailed information as to the asylum, your committee respectfully refers to the report made to this house by a joint committee on May 3, 1895.

J. E. ROBERTS, Senate,

F. T. CHRISTIE, House,

B. F. WHITNER, House.

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

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 1, 1897. }

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

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

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.

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., JUNE 1, 1897.

HON. CHAS. J. PERRINOT,

President of the Senate:

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

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.

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 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.

The act was therefore 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. Carson moved that the rules be waived, and he be allowed to call up Senate Bill No. 210, now on its third reading.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And,

Senate Bill No. 210:

A bill to be entitled an act in relation to the salaries of certain administrative officers,

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

Upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Broome, Bynum, Carson, Crosby, Dimick, Hooker, Myers, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Phipps, Reeves, Roberts and Thomas—16.

Nays—Messrs. Blich of 20th, Blich of 21st, Clark, Daniel, Hendley and Wadsworth—6.

So Senate Bill No. 210 passed, title as stated.

And was ordered certified to the House of Representatives.

A message was received from the Governor.

A message was received from the House of Representatives.

The following message from the Governor was read:

STATE OF FLORIDA, EXECUTIVE OFFICE, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA , May 31, 1897. }

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I have the honor to inform the Senate that I have today signed the following bills which originated in that body, to wit:

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.

Also,

An act to provide for the issue of bonds by the town of Monticello, Florida, for the construction of water works and other purposes, creating trustees of such

bonds and providing for the payment of the interest on and the principal of such bonds.

Also,

An act to amend section 2, chapter 4435, Laws of 1895, entitled an act to repeal chapter 4219 of the Laws of 1893, entitled an act to establish a county court in and for Columbia county, Florida.

Also,

An act to amend section four (4) of an act approved May 27, 1893, entitled an act to amend section four (4) of an act entitled an act to be entitled an act in relation to the land grant of the Florida Coast Line Canal and Transportation Company, and prescribing the duties of the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of the State of Florida, in relation thereto, the right of settlement thereon, and the specifications for the construction of its waterways and the time of its completion from St. Augustine to Biscayne Bay, approved May 29, 1889.

Also,

An act to define the boundary line between Calhoun county and Jackson county.

Also,

An act to amend section 414 of the Revised Statutes of Florida, relating to examinations of accounts of officers authorized to receive public moneys.

Also,

An act to amend sections 12 and 55 of the Laws of the State of Florida, chapter 4328, providing for the registration of all legally qualified voters in the several counties of the State, and providing for general and special elections, and for the return of elections, approved May 25, A. D. 1895

And have filed the same with the Secretary of State.

Respectfully,

W. D. BLOXHAM,

Governor.

Also the following:

STATE OF FLORIDA, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
TALLAHASSEE, May 31, 1897. }

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I have the honor to inform the Senate that I have to-day signed the following bills which originated in that body, to-wit:

An act to regulate the burning of woods and forests in Santa Rosa county, Florida.

Also,

An act declaring the town of Hawthorne, in the county of Alachua, to be a legally incorporated town.

Also,

An act to amend section 3 of chapter 4197 of the Laws of Florida, entitled an act to incorporate the city of West Tampa, in the county of Hillsborough.

Also,

An act to fix the pay of members, officers and attaches of the regular session of the Legislature of 1897.

And have filed the same with the Secretary of State:

Very respectfully,

W. D. BLOXHAM,

Governor.

The following communication was read and ordered spread on the Journal:

TALLAHASSEE, FLA., JUNE 1, 1897.

Hon. C. J. Perrenot, President of the Senate, and Members of the Legislature of the State of Florida:

SIR—I observe a letter signed by four citizens of Apalachicola spread on the Journal of the Senate, urging the passage of House Bill No. 176.

I pray you accord me the same privilege granted to them, and allow me to say in reply that, though the signatures bear official designations, yet, I assert, it appears without authority of the respective official bodies, and the attitude of the letter is simply a petition of four individual names out of a county of four thousand (4,000) people, yet these four call themselves "the people."

An explicit and unflinching statement affords the best chance to correct an error or to make the truth useful.

The projectors of the bill had the city canvassed for signatures and sent a petition to Representative Rice, signed by only seven (7) persons, four of whom could not write. This petition was not presented.

The bill was hurried through the House committee and no hearing granted to those interested, but was partly amended by the House.

It is now reported by committee of the Senate with further amendments.

I assert that section 11 of the bill is only intended to authorize the County Commissioners to pull down and destroy

an existing industry, and is actuated by personal spite, since some of the identical people signing the letter failed to make a success in a similar business.

I respectfully ask the Senate that section 11 be stricken out, as it is unconstitutional, and there are ample laws on the Statute books to protect and preserve the oyster beds. I represent not only the canners, but some 150 oystermen, as well as seventy vessels, and over 150 employes engaged in the business, as well as the further upbuilding and development of the city of over 3000 people. I did not get up a petition to support my views, but as a representative citizen, property owner and producer, I respectfully submit the justness of the cause I represent.

Obediently,

JOHN G. RUGE.

Mr. Hooker moved that the rules be waived, and he be allowed to call up House Bill No. 182, now on its third reading;

Which was agreed to by a two thirds vote.

And,

House Bill No. 182:

A bill to be entitled an act to prescribe the terms of office for notaries public, and to provide a time when the commissions of notaries public heretofore appointed shall expire, and to declare valid the acts of notaries whose commissions are more than four years since issued,

Was read the third time in full.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Barber, Blich of 20th, Blich of 21st, Broome, Bynum, Carson, Chipley, Clark, Crosby, Daniel, Dimick, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hendley, Hooker, Myers, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Phipps, Reeves, Roberts, Thomas, Wadsworth and Williams—27.

Nays—None.

So House Bill No. 182 passed, title as stated.

And was ordered certified to the House of Representatives.

By permission—

Mr. Hartridge introduced:

Senate Joint Resolution No. 300:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Florida, relative to the legislative department;

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Hartridge moved that the rules be waived, and that

Senate Joint Resolution No. 300 be read second time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Joint Resolution No. 300 was read second time by its title.

Mr. Hartridge moved that the rules be waived, and that Senate Joint Resolution No. 300 be read a third time and put upon its passage;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Joint Resolution No. 300 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Barber, Blitch of 20th, Blitch of 21st, Broome, Bynum, Carson, Chipley, Clark, Crosby, Daniel, Darby, Dimick, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hendley, Hooker, Myers, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Phipps, Reeves, Roberts, Thomas, Wadsworth and Williams—28.

Nays—None

So Senate Joint Resolution No. 300, having received three-fifths of the votes of all the members elected to the Senate, passed, title as stated.

And was ordered certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. Hendley moved that the rules be waived, and he be allowed to call up Senate Bill No. 96, now on its third reading;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And,

Senate Bill No. 96:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize sheriffs and clerks of court to publish all legal advertisements, required by law to be published, in such newspapers, published in said counties as may be designated by the plaintiff, his, her, or their agent or attorney,

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. Adams, Barber, Blitch of 20th, Blitch of 21st, Broome, Bynum, Carson, Chipley, Daniel, Darby, Dimick, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hendley, Hooker, Myers, Palmer of 14th, Phipps, Reeves, Roberts, Thomas, Wadsworth and Williams—23.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Crosby, McLin and Palmer of 11th—4.

So Senate Bill No. 97 passed, title as stated.

And was ordered certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. Darby moved that the rules be waived, and he be allowed to call up Senate Bill No. 110 now on its third reading;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And,

Senate Bill No. 110:

A bill to be entitled an act in relation to surety and guarantee companies and corporations, firms and persons engaging in the business of becoming sureties upon the bonds of employes to employes,

Was read the third time in full.

Mr. Darby moved that Senate Bill No. 110 be made a special order for 4:30 o'clock this afternoon;

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 110 was made a special order for 4:30 o'clock this afternoon.

Mr. Blich of 20th moved that the rules be waived, and he be allowed to call up House Bill No. 344, now on second reading;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

House Bill No. 344:

A bill to be entitled an act for the appointment of certain city officers of the city of Ocala, Florida, by the city council thereof, conferring on said city council the power to purchase and operate lighting plants or plants for said city and its inhabitants, and conferring on said city council the power to issue certain evidences of indebtedness of said city, and to refund the present outstanding indebtedness thereof, and defining, enlarging and prescribing the powers and duties of the mayor and city council of said city.

Mr. Blich of 20th moved that the rules be waived, and House Bill No. 344 be read second time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 344 was read second time by its title.

Mr. Blich of 20th moved that the rules be waived, and House Bill No. 344 be read a third time and put upon its passage;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 344 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Blich of 20th, Blich of 21st, Broome, Carson, Chipley, Clark, Crosby, Daniel, Dimick, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hendley, Hooker, Myers, McLin, Palmer of 14th, Phipps, Reeves, Roberts, Thomas, Wadsworth and Williams—24.

Nays—None.

So House Bill No. 344 passed, title as stated.

And was ordered certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. Broome moved that the rules be waived and he be allowed to call up House Bill No. 138, now on its third reading;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And,

House Bill No. 138:

A bill to be entitled an act exempting the employes of certain State institutions from duty as grand and petit jurors, Was read the third time in full, and put upon its passage.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Bailey, Blith of 20th, Blitch of 21st, Broome, Carson, Chipley, Clark, Daniel, Dimick, Gaillard, Harridge, Hendley, Myers, McLin, Palmer of 14th, Reeves, Roberts, Thomas, Wadsworth and Williams—21.

Nays—None.

So House Bill No. 138 passed, title as stated.

And was ordered certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. Carson moved that the rules be waived, and that messages from the House of Representatives be taken up;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Messages from the House.

Mr. Blitch of 21st moved that the messages from the House of Representatives be spread upon the Journal without reading, and that the bills therein be read the first time by title and referred;

Which was agreed to.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 31, 1897. }

HON. CHAS. J. PERRNOT,

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. 13:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend sections 865 and 866

of the Revised Statutes of Florida, regulating the granting of permits to sell liquors, wines and beer.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 13, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also the following:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 31, 1897. }

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

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. 67:

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

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 67, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also the following:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 31, 1897. }

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

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. 259:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the locating and erecting a State reform school, and appropriate money therefor.

And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 259, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Hartridge moved that the rules be waived, and House Bill No. 259 be read second time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 259 was read second time by its title.

Mr. Hartridge moved that the rules be waived, and House Bill No. 259 be read a third time and put upon its passage;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 259 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Bailey, Barber, Blitch of 20th, Blitch of 21st, Bynum, Carson, Chipley, Dimick, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hooker, Myers, McClin, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Phipps, Reeves Roberts, Thomas and Williams—21.

Nays—Messrs. Adams, Broome, Clark, Crosby, Daniel and Hendley—6.

So House Bill No. 259 passed, title as stated.

And was ordered certified to the House of Representatives.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,)
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 31, 1897. }

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

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. 248:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend sections 2 and 3 of chapter 4120, Laws of Florida.

And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 248, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

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

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 1, 1897. }

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

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

An act to authorize the construction and maintenance of gates across the public roads in this State, and to provide for the removal of the same.

And,

An act to amend sections 3 and 4, chapter 4334, Laws of Florida, entitled an act to establish at Bartow, Florida, the South Florida Military and Educational Institute, and to provide and appropriate therefor, approved May 29, 1895.

And,

An act to repeal chapter 4177 of the Laws of Florida, entitled an act concerning county boards of health, and to provide for the disposition of funds and effects in possession of county boards of health, approved May 25, 1893.

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

Very respectfully,

J. N. HOOKER,

Chairman Committee on Enrolled Bills.

And the acts contained in the above report were referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

By permission—

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

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 1, 1896. }

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

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

An act to authorize the construction and maintenance of

gates across the public roads in this State, and to provide for the removal of the same.

Also,

An act to amend sections 3 and 4, chapter 4334, Laws of Florida, entitled an act to establish at Bartow, Florida, the South Florida Military and Educational Institute, and to provide and appropriate therefor, approved May 29, 1895.

Also,

An act to repeal chapter 4177, Laws of Florida, entitled an act concerning county boards of health, and to provide for the disposition of funds and effects in possession of County boards of health.

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

Very respectfully,

J. N. HOOKER,

Chairman Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

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

By permission—

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

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 1, 1897. }

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

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

An act to authorize the construction of gates across the public roads in this State, and to provide for the removal of the same.

And,

An act to amend sections 3 and 4, chapter 4334, Laws of Florida, entitled an act to establish at Bartow, Florida, the South Florida Military and Educational Institute, and to provide and appropriate therefor, approved May 29, 1895.

And,

An act to repeal chapter 4177, Laws of Florida, entitled an act concerning county boards of health, and to provide for the disposition of funds and effects in possession of county boards of health.

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 repeal chapter 4177 of the Laws of Florida, entitled an act concerning county boards of health, and to provide for the disposition of funds and effects in possession of county boards of health.

Also,

An act to authorize the construction and maintenance of gates across the public roads in this State, and to provide for the removal of the same.

Also,

An act to amend sections 3 and 4, chapter 4334, Laws of Florida, entitled an act to establish at Bartow, Florida, the South Florida Military and Educational Institute, and to provide and appropriate therefor, approved May 29, 1895.

The acts were therefore 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.

By permission—

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

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 1, 1897. }

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

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The acts were therefore 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. Adams moved that the rules be waived, and he be allowed to call up House Bill No. 358, now on its second reading

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And,

House Bill No. 358:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 3011 of the Revised Statutes of Florida.

Was taken up.

Mr. Adams moved that the rules be waived, and House Bill No. 358 be read second time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 358 was read second time by its title.

Mr. Adams moved that the rules be waived, and House Bill No. 358 be read a third time and put upon its passage;

Which was agreed to by a two thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 358 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Bailey, Barber, Blicht of 20th, Blicht of 21st, Broome, Carson, Chipley, Clark, Crosby, Daniel, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hendley, Myers, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Phipps, Reeves, Roberts, Thomas, Wadsworth and Williams—24.

Nays—None.

So House Bill No. 358 passed, title as stated.

And was ordered certified to the House of Representatives.

By permission—

Mr. Chipley, Chairman of the Committee on City and County Organization, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., May 27, 1897. }

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on City and County Organization, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 149:

A bill to be entitled an act to divide the county of Brevard, and to locate and establish a new county from a portion of the same.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and return the same without recommendation.

Very respectfully,

W. D. CHIPLEY,

Chairman Committee on City and County Organization.

And House Bill No. 149, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

By permission—

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

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TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 1, 1897. }

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President of the Senate:

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

House Joint Resolution, providing for the printing of indexed copies of the Constitution of the State of Florida.

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Which was agreed to.

At 12:10 p. m. the doors were closed.

12:35 o'clock.

At 12:35 p. m. the doors were opened.

The President in the chair.

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

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A quorum present.

Mr. Blicht of 20th moved that the rules be waived, and he be allowed to call up House Bill No. 405, now on its second reading;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And,

House Bill No. 405:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the levy of taxes for the years 1897 and 1898,

Was taken up.

Mr. Blicht of 21st moved that the rules be waived, and House Bill No. 405 be read the second time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 405 was read the second time by its title.

Mr. Blicht of 21st moved that the rules be waived, and House Bill No. 405 be read a third time and put upon its passage;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 405 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Bailey, Barber, Blicht of 20th, Blicht of 21st, Bynum, Carson, Chipley, Clark, Crosby, Daniel, Dimick, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hooker, Myers, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Phipps, Reeves, Roberts, Thomas, Wadsworth and Williams--26.

Nays--None.

So House Bill No. 405 passed, title as stated.

And was ordered certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. Hartridge moved that the rules be waived, and he be allowed to call up Senate Bill No. 265, now on its second reading;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And,

Senate Bill No. 265:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the county of Duval to issue bonds for the purpose of purchasing school sites, and constructing, repairing and furnishing buildings for the use of the public schools in said county,

Was taken up.

Mr. Hartridge moved that the rules be waived, and that Senate Bill No. 265 be read second time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 265 was read second time by its title,

Mr. Hartridge moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Bill No. 265 be read a third time and put upon its passage;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 265 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas--Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Bailey, Barber, Blicht of 21st, Bynum, Chipley, Clark, Crosby, Daniel, Dimick, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hendley, Hooker, Myers, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Phipps, Reeves, Roberts, Thomas, Wadsworth and Williams--25.

Nays--None.

So Senate Bill No. 265 passed, title as stated.

And was ordered certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. Williams moved that the rules be waived, and he be

allowed to call up Senate Bill No. 162, now on its third reading;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And,

Senate Bill No. 162:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 939 of the Revised Statutes of Florida, relating to examination and licensing of pilots by Pilot Commissioners,

Was taken up.

Mr. Williams moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Bill No. 162 be read a third time and put upon its passage;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 162 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Bailey, Barber, Barber, Blitch of 20th, Bynum, Chipley, Clark, Daniel, Dimick, Gaillard, Hooker, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Reeves, Wadsworth and Williams—19.

Nays—Messrs. Blitch of 21st, Broome, Crosby, Phipps and Thomas—5.

So Senate Bill No. 162 passed, title as stated.

And was ordered certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. Hooker moved that the rules be waived, and he be allowed to call up Senate Bill No. 276, now on its second reading:

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And,

Senate Bill No. 276:

A bill to be entitled an act to require the official samplers of phosphates of each port in this State from which phosphate are shipped to inspect every car of phosphates arriving at such port for shipment and to issue certificate for the same, and to provide for his compensation therefor,

Was taken up.

Mr. Hooker moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Bill No. 276 be read second time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 276 was read second time by its title.

Mr. Hooker moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Bill No. 276 be read a third time and put upon its passage;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 276 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Bailey, Barber, Blitch of 20th, Blitch of 21st, Broome, Bynum, Carson, Chipley, Clark,

Crosby, Daniel, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hooker, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Phipps, Reeves and Roberts—20.

Nays—None.

So Senate Bill No. 276 passed, title as stated.

And was ordered certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. Reeves moved that the rules be waived, and he be allowed to call up Senate Bill No. 186, now on its third reading.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And,

Senate Bill No. 186:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend sections 661 and 664, Revised Statutes of Florida, relating to proceedings to organize and incorporate cities and towns, to elect officers therefor, and to provide for a record of such proceedings,

Was taken up.

Mr. Reeves moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Bill No. 186 be read a third time and put upon its passage;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 186 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Bailey, Blitch of 20th, Blitch of 21st, Bynum, Carson, Chipley, Clark, Crosby, Daniel, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hooker, Palmer of 11th, Phipps, Reeves and Roberts—17.

Nays—None.

So Senate Bill No. 186 passed, title as stated.

And was ordered certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. Bailey moved that the rules be waived, and he be allowed to call up House Bill No. 151, now on its second reading;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And,

House Bill No. 151:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act for the better protection of growing crops, approved May 23, 1895,

Was taken up.

Mr. Bailey moved that the rules be waived, and House Bill No. 151 be read second time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 151 was read second time by its title.

Mr. Bailey moved that the rules be waived, and House Bill No. 151 be read a third time and put upon its passage;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 151 was read a third time in full.
Upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Bailey, Blich of 20th, Blich of 21st, Broome, Bynum, Carson, Chipley, Clark, Crosby, Daniel, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hooker, Palmer of 11th, Phipps, Reeves and Roberts—18.

Nays—None.

So House Bill No. 151 passed, title as stated.

And was ordered certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. Hartridge moved that the Senate do now take a recess until 3:30 p. m.;

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned until 3:30 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

3:30 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, Barber, Blich of 20th, Blich of 21st, Broome, Bynum, Chipley, Clark, Crosby, Daniel, Darby, Dimick, Dougherty, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hooker, Myers, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Phipps, Reeves, Roberts, Thomas, Wadsworth and Williams—28.

A quorum present.

Mr. Crosby moved that the rules be waived, and he be allowed to call up Senate Bill No. 247 now on its third reading;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And,

Senate Bill No. 247:

A bill to be entitled an act to annex the west half of townships four (4), five (5), six (6), seven (7) and eight (8) south of range twenty-three (23) east, of Bradford county, said lands now being a part of Clay county,

Was taken up.

And Senate Bill No. 247 was read the third time in full, and put upon its passage.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Bailey, Blich of 21st, Broome, Crosby, Dimick and Phipps—6.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Barber, Blich of 20th, Bynum, Chipley, Clark, Darby, Dougherty, Gaillard, Hart-ridge, Hendley, Hooker, Myers, McLin Reeves, Roberts, Wadsworth and Williams—18.

So Senate Bill No. 247 failed to pass.

By permission—

Mr. Chipley introduced:

Senate Bill No. 301:

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate \$20,000, to be used for the purchase and payment for the buildings, fumigating plants, wharves, and other property, including boats, of the Escambia County Board of Health, and to have same conveyed to the State Board of Health of the State of Florida;

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Chipley moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Bill No. 301 be read second time;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 301 was read second time in full.

Mr. Chipley offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 301:

In line 4 of title, after the word "State" insert the words "of Florida for the."

Mr. Chipley moved the adoption of the amendment;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Chipley moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Bill No. 301 be read a third time;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 301 as amended was read a third time in full.

Mr. Chipley moved that Senate Bill No. 301 be amended on its third reading;

Which was agreed to unanimously.

Mr. Chipley offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 301:

Add to section 1, "provided this purchase be approved by the State Board of Health."

Mr. Chipley moved the adoption of the amendment;

Which was agreed to unanimously.

Mr. Carson moved that he be allowed to amend Senate Bill No. 301 on its third reading;

Which was agreed to unanimously.

Mr. Carson offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 301:

After the amendment offered by Mr. Chipley, add the words: "Provided, This act shall not be construed to apply to the purchase of any property bought or provided out of money derived from quarantine fees."

Mr. Carson moved the adoption of the amendment.

Objection was raised, and the amendment was not agreed to:

Mr. Carson moved that Senate Bill No. 301 be placed back upon its second reading for amendment;

Which was not agreed to.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of Senate Bill No. 301, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Bailey, Bynum, Chipley, Darby, Dimick, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hendley, Hooker, Myers, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Phipps, Roberts, Wadsworth and Williams—18.

Nays—Messrs. Blich of 20th, Blich of 21st, Carson, Clark, Crosby and Dougherty—6.

So Senate Bill No. 301 as amended passed, title as amended And was ordered certified to the House of Representatives.

Special Order.

The hour of 4:30 o'clock having arrived, the Senate proceeded to the consideration of—

Senate Bill No. 110:

A bill to be entitled an act in relation to surety and guarantee companies and corporations, firms and persons engaging in the business of becoming sureties upon the bonds of employes to employer.

And Senate Bill No. 110 was taken up and read the third time in full.

Mr. Darby asked unanimous consent to amend Senate Bill No. 110 on its third reading;

Which was granted.

Mr. Darby offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 110:

In line 11, section 1, after "dollars," insert "or bonds of like value."

Mr. Darby moved the adoption of the amendment;

Which was agreed to unanimously.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of Senate Bill No. 110, the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Bailey, Blich of 20th, Blich of

21st, Carson, Crosby, Darby, Dougherty, Palmer of 14th, Thomas and Williams—11.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Bynum, Chipley, Daniel, Dimick, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hooker, Myers, Palmer of 11th, Phipps, Reeves, Roberts and Wadsworth—14.

So Senate Bill No. 110 failed to pass.

Mr. McLin was excused from voting.

A message was received from the Governor.

The following communication from the Governor was ordered spread upon the Journal:

STATE OF FLORIDA, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
TALLAHASSEE, June 1, 1897. }

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I have the honor to inform the Senate that I have to-day signed the following bills which originated in that body:

An act to repeal chapter 4177 of the Laws of Florida, entitled an act concerning county boards of health, and to provide for the disposition of funds and effects in possession of county boards of health.

Also,

An act to amend sections 3 and 4, chapter 1934, Laws of Florida, entitled an act to establish at Bartow, Florida, the South Florida Military and Educational Institute, and to provide and appropriate therefor, approved May 29, 1895.

Also,

An act to amend section 123 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, with reference to an examination of the State Treasurer's office by the Governor, and monthly statements to the Governor.

Also,

An act to authorize the construction and maintenance of gates across the public roads in this State, and to provide for the removal of the same.

Also,

An act to amend section 1 of chapter 4019 of the Laws of Florida, the same being an act entitled an act to amend section 2 of an act approved February 28, 1883, entitled an act to prescribe a mode whereby counties may erect court houses and other buildings, approved May 14, 1891.

Also,

An act appropriating moneys for the construction of an

electric light plant at the Florida Asylum for the Indigent Insane.

And have filed same with the Secretary of State.

Very respectfully,

W. D. BLOXAM,
Governor of Florida.

Mr. Dougherty moved that the rules be waived, and he be allowed to call up House Bill No. 99, now on its third reading;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And,

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,

Was taken up and read the third time in full, together with amendments adopted by the Senate.

Mr. Dougherty asked unanimous consent to amend House Bill No. 99, on its third reading;

Which was granted.

Mr. Dougherty offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 99:

Strike out "section 7:"

Mr. Dougherty moved the adoption of the amendment;

Which was agreed to unanimously.

Mr. Dougherty offered the following amendment to the title of House Bill No. 99:

Strike out the title, and insert the words "A bill to be entitled an act for the protection and prevention of food fishes in the fresh water rivers, creeks, bayous, or streams in the State of Florida, and to prevent the hauling or dragging of seines or nets therein."

Mr. Dougherty moved the adoption of the amendment unanimously;

Which was agreed to.

Upon call of the roll upon the passage of House Bill No. 99, as amended, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Barber, Blich of 20th, Blich of 21st, Bynum, Chipley, Clark, Crosby, Daniel, Dougherty, Hooker, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Phipps, Reeves, Roberts and Thomas—18.

Nays—Messrs. Carson, Darby and Williams—3.

So House Bill No. 99, as amended, passed, title as stated.

Mr. Chipley moved that a committee be appointed to draft resolutions of respect relative to the death of Hon. J. P. Roberts.

Mr. Bynum made a similar request in reference to the death of Hon. R. A. Reid.

The motion of Mr. Chipley was agreed to, and the Chair appointed as such committee Messrs. Bynum and Hartridge.

Mr. Chipley moved, as a token of respect to the memory of the deceased, that the Senate do now adjourn until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock;

Which was agreed to.

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

Confirmations.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

LEON COUNTY.

District No. 1—Flavius T. Christie.

District No. 2—John Bradford.

District No. 3—Miles Johnson.

District No. 4—Hugh T. Black.

District No. 5—Julius S. Diamond.

MADISON COUNTY.

District No. 1—W. H. Dial, Jr.

District No. 2—T. J. Blalock.

District No. 3—L. J. Porter.

District No. 4—N. W. McDonald.

John Mooney, John A. Merritt, E. H. Putnam, to be Pilot Commissioners for the Port of Pensacola, Florida.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2, 1897.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

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