

FRIDAY, MAY 5, 1899.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

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

Mr. President,	Fuller,	O'Brien,
Messrs. Baker,	Gaillard,	Palmer of 14th,
Blicht,	Harris,	Reeves,
Broome,	Hendley,	Roberts,
Carson,	Hooker,	Rogers,
Crill,	McCaskill,	Sams,
Crosby,	McCreary,	Wadsworth,
Denham,	McLin,	Williams,
Dimick,	Myers,	Wilson,

Answering roll-call—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. Gaillard:

Senate Bill No. 173:

A bill to be entitled an act to legalize the election held on March 28th, 1899, in the City of St. Augustine, to determine by a vote of the majority of the qualified voters of said city, who were freeholders of said city actually voting, whether or not the bonds proposed by an ordinance entitled "An ordinance establishing an electric light plant to be owned and operated by the City of St. Augustine and to provide for the issuing of bonds for the payment of same," passed March 8th, 1899, and approved March 9th, 1899, should be authorized and issued; and to declare and render valid said election and the result as shown by the returns thereof, and to declare and render valid said ordinance; and to authorize the issue of bonds as provided by said ordinance.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Gaillard moved that the Constitutional provision of

reading bills on three separate days be waived and that the bill be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 173 was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Gaillard moved that the Constitutional provision of reading bills on three separate days be further waived and that the bill be read a third time.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 173 was read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the bill,

The vote was:

Yeas—

Mr. President,	Fuller,	Palmer of 14th,
Messrs. Baker,	Gaillard,	Reeves,
Blitch,	Harris,	Roberts,
Broome,	Hendley,	Rogers
Carson,	Hooker,	Sams,
Crill,	McCreary,	Wadsworth,
Crosby,	McLin,	Williams,
Denham,	Myers,	Wilson—26.
Dimick,	O'Brien,	

Nays—Mr. McCaskill—1.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Mr. Gaillard moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 173 be immediately certified to the House of Representatives.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote, and Senate Bill No. 173 was so certified.

A message was received from the Governor.

By Mr. Baker:

Senate Bill No. 174:

A bill to be entitled an act requiring fire insurance companies lawfully doing business in the State of Florida to transact their business in said State through their agents, who are residents of the State, and regulating the insurance of property in this State by citizens thereof in companies not authorized to transact business in the State, and fixing penalties for violations of this act.

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

By Mr. Hooker:

Senate Bill No. 175:

A bill to be entitled an act granting to the prosecuting at—

attorneys for County Courts in the State of Florida process, and also authorizing them to administer oaths to witnesses.

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

By Mr. Blich:

Senate Bill No. 176:

A bill to be entitled an act authorizing the Governor to have all State offices examined; to report such examinations to the Legislature, and to repeal Sections 111, 127 128 and 129 of the Revised Statutes.

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

By Mr. Rogers:

Senate Bill No. 177:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Board of Public Instruction of any county of the State of Florida to contract debts and to borrow money for educational purposes, and to provide for the payment thereof.

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

By Mr. Rogers:

Senate Bill No. 178:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 2644 of the Revised Statutes of Florida.

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

By Mr. Fuller:

Senate Bill No. 179:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 2070 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to separate properties of married women.

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

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

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

Senate Chamber.

Tallahassee, Fla., May 5, 1899.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on State Boundaries, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 122:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section (35) thirty-five and (40) forty, Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the boundary line between St. Johns and Volusia Counties.

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

Very respectfully,

B. D. WADSWORTH,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 122, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Myers, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., May 5, 1899

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 172:

A bill to be entitled an act to prevent damage by phosphate works.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered the same and herewith return it without recommendation.

Very Respectfully,

FRED T. MYERS,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 172, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Myers, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., May 5, 1899.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate Bill No. 164:

A bill to be entitled an act for the appointment of official stenographers for the Circuit Courts of the State of Florida.