

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, 1899.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

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

Mr. President,	Dimick,	Palmer of 14th,
Messrs. Baker,	Gaillard,	Palmer of 11th,
Blitch,	Harris,	Roberts,
Broome,	Hooker,	Rogers,
Carson,	McCaskill,	Sams,
Clark,	McCreary,	Wadsworth,
Crill,	McLin,	Wilson,
Crosby,	Myers,	
Denham,	O'Brien,	

Answering roll-call—25.

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 AND RESOLUTIONS:

By Mr. O'Brien:

Senate Memorial No. 197:

Relating to developing an American Merchant Marine.

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

By Mr. Rogers:

Senate Joint Resolution No. 198:

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

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

By Mr. Palmer of 14th:

Senate Bill No. 199:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the marking of all agricultural products grown in the State of Florida and shipped beyond the limits of this State with marks showing that they were grown in Florida, and providing penalties for the violation of the same.

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

By Mr. Palmer of 14th:  
Senate Bill No. 200:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the holding of political primary elections in the State of Florida, and providing penalties for the violation of the same.

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

By Mr. O'Brien:  
Senate Bill No. 201:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 10 of Chapter 4331, Laws of Florida, approved June 3, 1895, entitled an act to amend Sections 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 16, 17 and 19, of Chapter 4192 of the Laws of Florida, the same being an act entitled an act to prescribe rules and regulations for licensing teachers, to provide for uniform examinations, and to secure fairness in examinations and in issuing teachers' certificates, and for other purposes.

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

By Mr. O'Brien:  
Senate Bill No. 202:

A bill to be entitled an act regulating the manner in which insurance companies may issue policies in this State.

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

By Mr. Gaillard:  
Senate Bill No. 203:

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Experimental Farm Company.

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

By Mr. Hooker:  
Senate Bill No. 204:

A bill to be entitled an act to enable the State of Florida to more effectually realize moneys due it on judgments and decrees.

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

By the Committee on Finance and Taxation:  
Senate Bill No. 205:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 9, 10, 51 and 55 of Chapter 4322, Laws of Florida, being an act entitled an act for the assessment and collection of revenue, and Sections 10 and 11 of Chapter 4515, Laws of Florida, being an act en-

filled an act to amend Sections 29, 32, 35, 47, 48, 50, 66 and 67 of Chapter 4322, Laws of Florida, being an act entitled an act for the assessment and collection of revenue.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Crill moved that 200 copies of Senate Bill No. 205 be printed and that it lay on the table subject to call.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Harris moved to make it a special order for Friday morning at 10 o'clock.

Which was agreed to.

### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Crosby, Chairman of the Committee on Temperance, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 10, 1899.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate Bill No. 146:

A bill to be entitled an act prescribing the method of obtaining permits to sell liquors, wines or beer.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered said bill and respectfully report the same without recommendation.

Very respectfully,

A. CROSBY,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 146, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

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

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 10, 1899.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Claims, to whom was referred—  
Senate Bill No. 161:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of H. B. Gaskin, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Calhoun County, Florida.

Have carefully considered the same and report it back without recommendation.

Very respectfully,

J. N. HOOKER,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 161, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

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

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., May 10, 1899.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate Bill No. 169:

A bill to be entitled an act to prohibit obstructing wagon roads and breaking fences by careless or malignant felling of timber.

Have carefully considered the same and recommend its passage.

Very respectfully,

J. H. T. BYNUM,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 169, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

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

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., May 10, 1899.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate Bill No. 194:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Sections 2, 40 and 41 of an act entitled an act to abolish the present municipal government of the town of Madison, Florida, and to provide a town government therefor, being Chapter 4313, approve

June 2, 1893; to abolish the office of trustees of waterworks bonds, and to grant additional powers to said municipality.

Have carefully considered the same and recommend its passage.

Very respectfully,

J. H. T. BYNUM,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 194, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

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

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., May 10, 1899.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate Bill No. 167:

A bill to be entitled an act to make it unlawful for any person or persons to fell trees across, or otherwise obstruct, neighborhood roads in the several counties of this State.

Have carefully considered the same and report it back to the Senate without recommendation.

Very respectfully,

J. H. T. BYNUM,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 167, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

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

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., May 10, 1899.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Engrossed Bills to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 118:

A bill to be entitled an act to protect and prescribe the manner of taking food fish from certain waters in Lee County.

Beq leave to report that they have carefully examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

B. E. McLIN,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 118, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on third reading.

#### BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Senate Bill No. 12:

A bill to be entitled an act to empower County Commissioners to employ or hire out county convicts, and to fix the territory in which such convicts may be worked.

Was taken up, together with committee substitute therefor:

Mr. Palmer of 11th moved that Senate Bill No. 12 be read by its title only and substitute therefor be read in full.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And,

Senate Bill No. 12 was read by its title only.

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 12 was then read in full.

Mr. Palmer of 11th moved the adoption of Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 12, with the following title:

Substitute for Senate Bill No. 12:

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate the working, leasing and hiring of county convicts by the several counties in this State

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Palmer of 14th offered the following amendment to Substitute for Senate Bill No. 12.

Strike out all after the word "except" in the third line of Section 1 from the bottom of said section, and insert in lieu thereof "upon the payment of the full amount of the agreed price made by the County Commissioners with the lessee of said convicts."

Mr. Palmer of 14th moved the adoption of the amendment. Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Palmer of 11th moved that the rules be waived and that Substitute for Senate Bill No. 12 be placed on Calendar of bills on third reading without being engrossed.

Which was agreed to.

House Bill No. 46:

To be entitled an act to exempt the Counties of Wakulla and Franklin from the enforcement of the provisions of Chapter 4557, Section 4, Laws of Florida, approved June 4, 1897, the same being an act for the protection of fishes in the waters of the State.

Was taken up.

Mr. Palmer of 11th moved that House Bill No. 46 be made a special order for next Tuesday at 11 o'clock A. M.

Which was agreed to.

A message was received from the House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 178:

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

Was taken up.

Mr. Rogers moved that Senate Bill No. 178 be laid on table subject to call.

Which was agreed to.

Senate Bill No. 40:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 2, Chapter 4214, Laws of Florida, being an act to better protect the oyster beds of this State, approved May 30, 1893.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

Mr. Myers offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 40:

Strike out the words "May 1st," in line 3, Section 2, and insert in lieu thereof "April 15th."

Mr. Myers moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Blich moved that Senate Bill No. 40 be laid on table subject to call.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Myers offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 40:

Strike out the word "five" in line 3, second page, and insert in lieu thereof the word "three."

Mr. Myers moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Myers offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 40:

In line 4 of second page strike out the words "two and a half" and insert "three;" and after the word "length" add the words "measurement over all, tip to tip."

Mr. Myers moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.  
And Senate Bill No. 40, as amended, was referred to Committee on Engrossed Bills.

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.

Was taken up.

Mr. Rogers moved that Senate Bill No. 177 be laid on the table subject of call.

Which was agreed to.

Senate Bill No. 190:

A bill to be entitled an act to prevent the spread of contagious or infectious diseases among the live stock of this State.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

And

Senate Bill No. 190 was ordered referred to Committee on Engrossed Bills.

House Bill No. 47:

To be entitled an act to authorize County Commissioners of the County of Lee to adopt rules and regulations for the use and preservation of wild game, birds of song and plumage, wild animals, the skins of which are of commercial value and food fish.

Was taken up.

Mr. Harris moved that House Bill No. 47 be laid on the table subject to call.

Which was agreed to.

By permission—

Mr. O'Brien, Chairman of the Committee on Commerce and Navigation, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 10, 1899.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Commerce and Navigation, to whom was referred—

Senate Memorial No. 197:

A memorial to Congress relating to developing an American Merchant Marine.

Have carefully considered the same and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

J. ED. O'BRIEN,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Memorial No. 197, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Senate Bill No. 185:

A bill to be entitled an act to encourage and protect the breeding and training of homing pigeons.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

Mr. Rogers moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 185 be read a third time and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 185 was read a third time in full.

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

The vote was:

Yeas—

Mr. President,	Denham,	O'Brien,
Messrs.—	Dimick,	Palmer of 14th,
Baker,	Gaillard,	Palmer of 11th,
Blitch,	Hendley,	Roberts,
Bynum,	Hooker,	Rogers,
Carson,	McCaskill,	Sams,
Clark,	McCreary,	Wadsworth,
Crill,	McLin,	Wilson—25.
Crosby,	Myers,	

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

### SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY

Senate Joint Resolution No. 150:

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section one (1), Article ten (X), of the Constitution of the State of Florida, relating to homestead and exemptions.

Was taken up at 11 A. M., being set for that hour.

Mr. Blitch moved that Senate Joint Resolution No. 150 be made a special order for next Wednesday at 11 o'clock A. M.

Which was agreed to.

Senate Bill No. 149:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the regulation of railroad schedules, freights,

express, sleeping car and passenger tariffs, and building of freight and passenger depots in this State; to prevent unjust discrimination in the rates charged for the transportation of passengers and freight, and to prohibit railroad companies, corporations, persons and all common carriers in this State from charging other than just and reasonable rates, and to enforce the same, and to prescribe a mode of procedure and rules of evidence in relation thereto, and to provide for the appointment and election of commissioners and to prescribe their duties and powers.

Was taken up with the following amendment of Mr. McCreary pending:

Amend Section 12 by inserting after the word "fixed," in line 4 of the House printed Bill the words "and imposed," and strike out all of Section 12 after the word "Commissioners" in line 4 of said printed bill.

Mr. McCreary withdrew the amendment.

Mr. Palmer of 11th offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 149:

Strike out all words after the word "fixed" in seventh line of Section 12 to the end of said Section 12, and insert in lieu thereof the following: "and adjudged by said Commissioners, after a careful hearing and judicial determination of the case under such rules as may be adopted by said Commissioners sitting as a judicial body, in which all parties in interest shall be entitled to be heard in person or by attorney; and when such penalty is so fixed and adjudged by said Commissioners, such penalty, so adjudged, shall have the same force, validity and effect of any other judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction in this State, except that the same shall be final, and said Commissioners shall have the power to order and enforce the recording of such judgment by the Clerk of the Circuit Court of any county in this State; and when so recorded, said judgment shall forthwith become a lien upon all the property, real and personal, of the person or corporation against whom the same was rendered, and said Commissioners shall have the power, under the seal of said Commissioners, to issue a writ of execution upon said judgment, which said writ shall run throughout the State, and shall be served and executed by the Sheriff of any county in this State, when so ordered by said Commissioners, in the same manner as executions from the Circuit Courts are now served and executed, and for the purpose of carrying into effect the various provisions of this section, said Commissioners

shall have full power to punish for contempt by fine or imprisonment in the county jail of any county in this State, or both, of any Clerk of the Circuit Court or any Sheriff who fails or refuses to perform the duties herein respectively prescribed or of any other person who hinders or obstructs, in any manner, the executions of said judgment of said Commissioners."

Mr. Palmer of 11th moved the adoption of the amendment.

Mr. Myers offered the following amendment to the amendment to Senate Bill No. 149:

Strike out the words in line 14 to line 18, reading, "said Commissioners shall have the power to order and enforce the recording of such judgment by the Clerk of the Circuit Court of any county in this State and when so recorded."

Mr. Myers moved the adoption of the amendment to the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

The yeas and nays were demanded on the amendment of Mr. Palmer of 11th.

Upon call of the roll,

The vote was:

Yeas—

Messrs. Baker,  
Blitch,  
Broome,  
Bynum,  
Clark,

Crill,  
Crosby,  
Hooker,  
McCaskill,  
McCreary,

McLin,  
Palmer of 14th,  
Palmer of 11th,  
Roberts,  
Wilson—15.

Nays—

Mr. President,

Dimick,  
Gaillard,

Rogers,  
Sams,

Messrs—

Carson,

Harris,

Wadsworth—11.

Denham,

Myers,  
O'Brien.

So the amendment was adopted.

In explanation of his vote Mr. Harris said:

Mr. President—When that amendment to the Constitution, giving to the Railroad Commission judicial powers, was voted upon, I am satisfied that the people of this State did not intend to give to the Railroad Commission judicial powers, without the right of appeal; and as I am opposed to any such arbitrary power being placed in the hands of men who are not learned in the law, I vote against the amendment.

Mr. Adams, in explaining his vote on the Railroad Commission Bill amendment, offered by Mr. Palmer of 11th, said:

Believing that the right of appeal should be had from any final decision rendered by the Railroad Commission

of Florida, sitting as a court, to the Supreme Court of the State of Florida, and since the amendment proposed by the Senator from the 11th denies this right, I shall vote No. I would be glad to vote to confer proper judicial powers upon the Railroad Commission, with the right of review by the Supreme Court of the State of Florida.

Mr. Myers offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 149, printed bill:

In Section 3, line 1, strike out the words "telegraph company."

In line 4, strike out the words "telegraph company."

In line 6 strike out the words "or telegrams."

Mr. Myers moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Myers offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 149:

In Section 4, line 1 strike out the words "or telegraph company."

In line 3 strike out the words "or telegrams."

Mr. Myers moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Palmer of 11th moved that the parliamentary rules be waived and that the amendments proposed by Mr. Myers to Senate Bill No. 149 be all considered together.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Mr. Myers offered the following amendments to Senate Bill No. 149:

In Section 5, line 1, strike out the words "and telegrams."

In line 3 strike out the words "telegraph companies." In line 4, after the words "transportation of passengers or property," strike out the words "or telegrams;" and after the words "by the railroads" strike out the words "telegraph companies."

Also,

In Section 8 strike out all after the words "prima facie evidence," in line 32.

Also,

In Section 9, line 2, after the words "railroad companies," insert the word "and" and strike out the words "and telegraph companies."

Also,

In line 3 strike out the words "telegraph offices."

In line 7, after the words "railroad companies," insert the word "and" and strike out the words "and telegraph companies."

In line 8, after the words "rates for freight," insert the word "and" and strike out the words "and telegraph."

Also,

In Section 10, line 1, after the words "railroad company," insert the word "and" and strike out the words "and telegraph company."

In line 27 strike out the words "and tariffs for the transmission and delivery of telegrams."

In line 28 strike out the words "and telegrams."

In line 34 strike out the words "and telegraphic franks."

In line 35 strike out the words "or telegraph companies."

In line 39, after the words "said railroad," insert the word "and" and strike out the words "and telegraph."

Also,

In line 40, after the words "every railroad," insert the word "and" and strike out the words "and telegraph."

Also,

In line 42, after the words "any railroad," insert the word "and" and strike out the words "and telegraph."

Also,

In Section 21, line 3, strike out the words "or telegraph companies."

Also,

In Section 6, line 1, strike out the words "and telegraph."

In line 2 strike out the words "telegraph companies."

In line 5 strike out the words "and for transmitting and delivering telegrams."

Also,

In Section 20, line 1, strike out the words "and telegraph companies."

Also,

In Section 18, line 1, strike out the words "telegraph company."

Also,

In Section 14, after the words "railroad corporations," in line 4, strike out the words "telegraph companies."

In line 7 strike out the words "telegraph company."

Also,

In Section 13, line 1, strike out the words "or telegraph company."

Also,

In line 6 strike out the words "telegraph company."

Also,

In line 7, after the words "within this State," strike out "or any sender of any telegraphic message."

Also,  
In line 9 strike out the words "or any other sender of telegraphic messages."

Also,  
In line 10 strike out the words "telegraph company."

Also,  
In line 13 strike out the words "telegraph company."

Also,  
In Section 12, line 1, strike out the words "or telegraph company."

Also,  
In line 6 strike out the words "telegraph company."

Also,  
In Section 11, line 1, after the words "railroad companies" add the word "and."

Also,  
In line 2 strike out the words "and telegraph companies" and the word "telegraph" in the same line.

Also,  
In line 5 strike out the words "and telegrams."

In line 8, before the words "common carrier" insert the word "and" and strike out the words "and telegraph companies."

In the title, after the words "an act to amend," insert the words "and revise."

Mr. Meyers moved the adoption of the amendments,  
Which was agreed to.

Mr. Palmer of 11th moved that the further consideration of Senate Bill No. 149 be postponed until Friday next at 11 o'clock A. M.

Mr. O'Brien moved to make Senate Bill No. 149 a special order for Tuesday, May 23rd at 11 o'clock A. M.

The yeas and nays were called for upon the motion of Mr. O'Brien.

Upon call of the roll,

The vote was:

Yeas—

Messrs.—  
Denham,  
Dimick,

Gaillard,  
Harris,  
McCaskill,

O'Brien,  
Rogers—7.

Nays—

Mr. President,  
Messrs. Baker,  
Blitch,

Crill,  
Crosby,  
Hendley,

Palmer of 11th,  
Palmer of 14th,  
Roberts,

Broome,  
Fyamm,  
Carson,  
Clark,

Hooker,  
McCreary,  
McLin,  
Myers,

Sams,  
Wadsworth,  
Wilson—20.

So the motion of Mr. O'Brien was not agreed to.

The motion of Mr. Palmer of 11th—  
Was agreed to.

A message was received from the Governor.

At 11:50 A. M.

Mr. Rogers moved.

That the Senate go into executive session.

Which was agreed to.

And the doors were closed.

At 12:05 P. M. the doors were opened.

The President in the chair.

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

Mr. President,	Crosby,	McLin,
Messrs. Baker,	Denham,	Myers,
Bitch,	Dimick,	O'Brien,
Broome,	Gaillard,	Palmer of 14th,
Bynum,	Harris,	Palmer of 11th,
Carson,	Hooker,	Roberts,
Clark,	McCaskill,	Wadsworth,
Crill,	McCreary,	

Answering roll-call—24.

A quorum present.

The Senate proceeded to consider bills on second reading.

And,

Senate Bill No. 160:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of tax payers in the storm belt of the Counties of Alachua, Levy, LaFayette, Suwannee, Columbia, Baker, Bradford and Nassau.

Was taken up and read a second time in full, together with the following amendment offered by the Committee on Finance and Taxation:

At the close of Section 1 add the following: Provided, this act shall apply only to lands occupied as homes by the owners thereof in tracts not exceeding one hundred and sixty acres.

Mr. Carson moved the adoption of the committee amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And,  
Senate Bill No. 160, as amended, was ordered referred to  
the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

House Bill No. 181:

To be entitled an act for the protection of bicycle paths,  
and to provide penalties for trespass thereon.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

Mr. Blich offered the following amendment to House Bill  
No. 181:

In line 5 of Section 1 strike out the words "deemed public  
thoroughfares."

Mr. Blich moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Blich moved that the rules be waived and that House  
Bill No. 181, as amended, be read a third time and put upon  
its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 181, as amended, was read a third time  
in full.

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

The vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President.

Messrs. Baker,	Denham,	Myers,
Blich,	Dimick,	Palmer of 14th,
Broome,	Gaillard,	Roberts,
Bynum,	Harris,	Sams,
Carson,	Hooker,	Wilson—22.
Clark,	McCaskill,	
Crill,	McCreary,	
Crosby,	McLin,	

Nays—Messrs.—Palmer of 11th, Wadsworth—2.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Senate Bill No. 174:

A bill to be entitled an act requiring fire insurance com-  
panies 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 pen-  
alties for violations of this act.

Was taken up.

Mr. Baker moved that Senate Bill No. 174 be laid on the  
table subject to call.

Which was agreed to.

## Senate Bill No. 181:

A bill to be entitled an act authorizing a regular constable to appoint a special constable in certain instances.

Was taken up.

Mr. Baker moved that Senate Bill No. 181 be laid on the table subject to call.

Which was agreed to.

## Senate Joint Resolution No. 187:

Senate Joint Resolution relative to contracts for carrying the United States mails on Star Routes in the State of Florida.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

Mr. McCaskill moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Joint Resolution No. 187 be read a third time and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Joint Resolution No. 187 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the joint resolution,

The vote was:

Yeas—

Mr. President,

Messrs—

Baker,

Blich,

Broome,

Eynum,

Carson,

Clark,

Crill,

Crosby,

Denham,

Harris,

Hooker,

McCaskill,

McCreary,

McLin,

Myers,

Palmer of 14th,

Palmer of 11th,

Roberts,

Sams,

Wadsworth,

Wilson—23.

Nays—None.

So the Joint Resolution passed, title as stated.

By permission—

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

Senate Chamber.

Tallahassee, Fla., May 10, 1899.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Corporations to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 173:

To be entitled an act to amend Chapter 4470, Laws of Flor-

ida, Acts of 1895, amending the acts to incorporate the Peninsular and Oriental Express Company.

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

Very respectfully,

C. B. ROGERS,

Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 173, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on third reading.

### BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Senate Bill No. 63:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Frank E. Saxon, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Hernando County.

Was taken up.

Mr. Palmer of 11th moved that Senate Bill No. 180 be substituted for Senate Bill No. 63; and that Senate Bill No. 63 occupy place on Calendar now occupied by Senate Bill No. 180.

Which was agreed to.

And,

Senate Bill No. 180:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 1399 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the appointment and compensation of Court stenographers.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

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

The vote was:

Yeas—

Mr. President,	Crosby,	Myers,
Messrs.	Denham,	O'Brien,
Baker,	Dimick,	Palmer of 11th,
Blicht,	Gaillard,	Palmer of 14th.
Broome,	Harris,	Roberts,
Bynum,	Hooker,	Sams,
Carson,	McCaskill,	Wadsworth,
Clark,	McCreary,	Wilson—25.
Crill,	McLin,	

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 145:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Sectio

Article 8, of the Constitution of the State of Florida, relating to county officers.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of Senate Joint Resolution No. 145,

The vote was:

Yea—Mr. President,

Messrs. Baker,	Dimick,	McLin,
Bitch,	Gaillard,	Myers,
Broome,	Harris,	O'Brien,
Bynum,	Hendley,	Rogers,
Carson,	Hooker,	Sams,
Crill,	McCaskill,	Wilson—21.
Denham,	McCreary,	

Nays—	Crosby,	Roberts,
Messrs—	Palmer of 14th,	Wadsworth—6.
Clark,	Palmer of 11th,	

So Senate Joint Resolution No. 145 having received the necessary vote of three-fifths of all the members elected to the Senate, passed, title as stated.

Senate Bill No. 139:

A bill to be entitled an act to extend the time for commencing the work of construction of the DeSoto, Lee and Gulf Railroad, Chapter 4467, No. 146, Laws of Florida, approved May 30, 1895.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

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

The vote was:

Mr. President,	Denham,	Myers,
Messrs. Baker,	Dimick,	O'Brien,
Bitch,	Gaillard,	Palmer of 14th,
Broome,	Harris,	Palmer of 11th,
Bynum,	Hendley,	Roberts,
Carson,	Hooker,	Rogers,
Clark,	McCaskill,	Sams,
Crill,	McCreary,	Wadsworth,
Crosby,	McLin,	Wilson—27.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Senate Bill No. 99:

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal all fence laws in township fifty-one (51), range twenty-five (25), and township fifty-

one (51) and fifty-two (52) in range twenty-six (26) south and east in the county of Lee, State of Florida.

Was taken up.

Mr. Harris withdrew Senate Bill No. 99.

Senate Bill No. 156:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 6 of an act entitled "An act to regulate the inspection and sale of beef and repeal Chapter 3613, Laws of Florida, approved February 16, 1885; also Chapter 3897, Laws of Florida, approved May 31, 1889," the same being Chapter 4048, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1891.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Mr. McCreary asked unanimous consent to amend Senate Bill No. 156 on third reading.

Which was granted.

Mr. McCreary offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 156:

After the last word of Section 5 of amended bill add:

"Any person or persons convicted of violating this section shall be fined not more than ten dollars or imprisoned in the county jail not exceeding thirty days, or both, at the discretion of the Court.

Mr. McCreary moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was unanimously agreed to.

And,

Senate Bill No. 156, as amended, was ordered re-referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 97:

"A bill to be entitled an act to relieve companies owning or operating railroad bridges or trestles from liability for damages in certain cases."

Was taken up and read a third time in full.

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

The vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President,

Messrs.—	Crosby,	Palmer of 11th.
Baker,	Denham,	Palmer of 14th.
Blitch,	Gaillard,	Roberts,
Broome,	Hooker,	Rogers,
Bynum,	McCaskill,	Sams,
Carson,	McCreary,	Wadsworth.
Clark,	McLin,	Wilson—23.
Crill,	O'Brien,	

Nays—none.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

House Bill No. 183:

To be entitled an act to amend Section 1, Chapter 4561, Laws of Florida, being an act to regulate the taking of fish in the waters of Osceola County, Fla.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

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

The vote was:

Yeas—	Crill,	Myers,
Mr. President,	Crosby,	O'Brien,
Messrs. Baker,	Denham,	Palmer of 14th,
Blitch,	Dimick,	Roberts,
Broome,	Gaillard,	Rogers,
Bynum,	Hooker,	Sams,
Carson,	McCaskill,	Wilson—22.
Clark,	McCreary,	

Nays—Messrs.— Palmer of 11th, McLin —2.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 100:

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 25, Article III of the Constitution of Florida.

Which was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of Senate Joint Resolution No. 100,

The vote was:

Yeas—	Crosby,	Myers,
Mr. President,	Denham,	O'Brien,
Messrs. Baker,	Dimick,	Palmer of 14th,
Blitch,	Gaillard,	Palmer of 11th,
Broome,	Hendley,	Roberts,
Bynum,	Hooker,	Rogers,
Carson,	McCaskill,	Sams,
Clark,	McCreary,	Wilson—25.
Crill,	McLin,	

So Senate Joint Resolution No. 100, having received the necessary vote of three-fifths of all the members elected to the Senate, passed, title as stated.

Mr. O'Brien moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Memorial No. 197 be taken up and considered out of its regular order.

Which was agreed to.

And

Senate Memorial No. 197:

A memorial to Congress relating to developing an American merchant marine.

Was taken up.

Mr. O'Brien moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Memorial No. 197 be read a second time by its title.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Memorial No. 197 was read a second time by its title.

Mr. O'Brien moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Memorial No. 197 be read a third time and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Memorial No. 197 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll upon passage of the bill,

The vote was:

Yeas—

Mr. President,	Denham,	O'Brien,
Messrs. Baker,	Gaillard,	Palmer of 14th,
Blicht,	Harris,	Palmer of 11th,
Broome,	Hendley,	Roberts,
Bynum,	Hooker,	Rogers,
Carson,	McCaskill,	Sams,
Clark,	McCreary,	Wilson—25.
Crill,	McLin,	
Crosby,	Myers,	

So the memorial passed, title as stated.

Mr. McCreary moved that the Senate adjourn until 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate adjourned until Thursday at 10 o'clock A. M.

#### CONFIRMATIONS.

#### COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

Leon County—

District No. 1—F. T. Christie, Miccosukie, Fla.

District No. 2—W. J. Johnson, Centerville, Fla.

District No. 3—M. H. Johnson, Tallahassee, Fla.

District No. 4—L. A. Roberts, Tallahassee, Fla.

District No. 5—L. C. Yeager, Tallahassee, Fla.

Orange County—

District No. 1—Geo. H. Fernald, Sanford, Fla.

District No. 2—H. K. Fuller, Apopka, Fla.

District No. 3—L. W. Tilden, Oakland, Fla.

District No. 4—H. H. Dickson, Orlando, Fla.

District No. 5—J. H. Lee, Oviedo, Fla.

Osceola County—

District No. 1—Robert T. Butler.

District No. 2—M. N. Overstreet.

District No. 3—Henry S. Partin.

District No. 4—Hiram Platt,

District No. 5—Joseph M. Walker.

Calhoun County—

District No. 1—S. H. Yon, Marysville, Fla.

District No. 2—J. M. Hansford, Alliance, Fla.

District No. 3—J. H. McClellan, Jr., Blountstown, Fla.

District No. 4—M. B. McClellan, Frink, Fla.

District No. 5—H. M. Spicer, Cromanton, Fla.

#### PILOT COMMISSIONERS.

John Dooley and James M. Rowe, both of Pensacola, Fla., to fill vacancies now existing in the Board of Pilot Commissioners for the port of Pensacola.

#### REMOVAL.

A. J. Head, Sheriff of Taylor County Fla.