

House Bill No. 143:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the compensation of the treasurers of the county school funds.

Was taken up.

Mr. McCreary moved that House Bill No. 143 be committed to the Committee on Education.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Scott moved to adjourn until 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m. Tuesday, May 12, 1903.

TUESDAY, MAY 12, 1903.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, 31 Senators answered to their names, showing a quorum present. Mr. Neel being absent.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal as corrected was approved.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Law:

Senate Bill No. 293:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for an exhibition of the agricultural, mineral and manufacturing products of the State of Florida, at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, at St. Louis, Missouri; authorizing the appointment of commissioners for same, and making an appropriation therefor.

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

By Mr. Brown:

Senate Bill No. 294:

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate the fees of inspectors of beeves, hogs and sheep.

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

By Mr. Blount:

Senate Bill No. 295:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize pilots to incorporate themselves and their property, and to prescribe the rights, powers and liabilities of such pilots and corporations.

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

By Mr. McCaskill:

Senate Bill No. 296:

A bill to be entitled an act for the protection of wild deer, wild turkeys, partridges and squirrels in the County of Santa Rosa, State of Florida.

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

By Mr. Whidden (by request):

Senate Bill No. 297:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the payment of certain approved claims, and the examination, settlement and payment of certain other claims against the State of Florida for services rendered and supplies furnished during the last Seminole Indian war.

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

By Mr. Blount:

Senate Bill No. 298:

A bill to be entitled an act permitting and defining the effect of record of contracts to sell and options to buy real estate.

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

By Mr. Butler:

Senate Bill No. 299:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 8, Chapter 4515, Laws of Florida, the same being an act entitled an act, to amend Sections 29, 32, 35, 47, 48, 50, 66 and 67 of Chapter 4322, Laws of Florida, entitled an act for the assessment and collection of revenue, approved June 5, 1897.

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

By Mr. Stockton:

Senate Bill No. 300:

A bill to be entitled an act to prescribe the times of

holding the terms of the circuit court in the Fourth Judicial Circuit.

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

By Mr. MacWilliams:

Senate Bill No. 301:

A bill to be entitled an act for the protection of wild deer; prescribing a penalty for the violation hereof, also defining who may hunt same, requiring non-residents and such as are not members of a club to be licensed, and defining who are non-residents.

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

By Mr. Wilson of the 7th:

Senate Bill No. 302:

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate the holding of primary elections of any political party in the State of Florida for nominating candidates for any office under the laws of this State, and for nominating delegates to political conventions.

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

Mr. Whidden moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Bill No. 133, now on table subject to call, be taken up.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And,

Senate Bill No. 133:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the board of county commissioners in and for any county of the State whenever the said board deems it advisable, to have abstracted any and all of writing recorded or to be recorded, affecting the real estate situated in said county; and to provide for the fees of the same.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

Mr. Raney moved that Senate Bill No. 133 be indefinitely postponed.

Which was agreed to.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Wilson of the 4th, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Florida, May 12, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

*President of the Senate:*

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

An act giving to counties certain rights of eminent domain.

Also,

An act to repeal Chapter 4237 of the Laws of Florida, being an act to establish and keep in good repair the public roads and highways in the counties of Walton and Holmes in this State

Also,

An act to amend an act entitled an act to establish at Bartow, Florida, the South Florida Military and Educational Institute, and to provide an appropriation therefor, the same being Chapter 4334, Laws of Florida, approved May 29, 1895, as amended by Chapter 4565, Laws of Florida, 1897.

Also,

An act to define the powers of corporations relative to the borrowing of money or incurring of indebtedness by them, and authorizing on the part of such corporations the power to execute mortgages or trust deeds; to secure their indebtedness and defining the rights of the purchaser, or their assigns, of the property of said corporations under such trust deeds or foreclosure of such mortgages

Also,

An act to authorize the town of Eustis, in Lake County, Florida, to levy a special tax for the support of a free public library, and to authorize said town to enter into an obligation for the support thereof.

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

C. L. WILSON,  
Chairman of Committee.

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

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Also,

An act to punish obtaining credit, goods, money or other property by any false statement in writing made to any merchant, dealer, bank or other persons with the fraudulent intent to obtain credit whereby any one relying upon the said statement is defrauded.

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

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Also,

An act to prohibit the catching and taking of fish from the fresh water lakes of Clay county, Florida, in the months of March, April, May, June and July of each year.

**Also,**

An act to make an appropriation for the estimated deficiency in the Pension Tax Fund for the year 1903.

**Also:**

An act to amend sections 26 and 43 of chapter 4869, being an act to abolish the present municipal government of the city of Lakeland, in the county of Polk and State of Florida, and to establish, organize and constitute a municipality to be known and designated as Lakeland, and to define its territorial boundary, and to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges, approved May 19th, 1899.

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

C. L. WILSON,

Chairman of Committee.

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

Mr. Law, Chairman of the Special Committee to consider the compilation and revision of the Laws of Florida, made by Col. C. F. Akers of Orlando, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1903.

To the Legislature of Florida:

Your Joint Committee, appointed by the Senate and House of Representatives, to consider the matter of the examination of the compilation and revision of the Laws of Florida, made by C F. Akers, Esq., beg leave to report: That they have had the same under due and careful consideration, but find that the time which it can properly give to this matter is not sufficient for such a thorough and critical examination of the work in question as is necessary to enable the committee to make an authoritative decision or to recommend its adoption by the Legislature as a correct and authorized digest of the Laws of this State.

A cursory examination discloses that the book is deficient in annotations from decisions of our Supreme Court relative to our Statutes; that it does not include the State Constitution nor that of the United States, both of which are published with the Revised Statutes of 1892; and the numbering of the sections is changed, thus causing some difficulty in following up references thereto.

But your committee would further say that from the partial examination which members of this committee have given the work and from endorsements it has received from prominent lawyers in the State we believe the book has considerable merit and that it would be a valuable help as well as a great convenience to the legal fraternity of this State generally.

Your committee, therefore, without recommending its official adoption, do commend its use until a more critical examination can be made, or until an official revision of our laws can be adopted which could not well be done before the session of another Legislature, and the use of this book in the meantime will probably show by the criticisms it will undergo in the next two years whether any, and what, steps should be taken further in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

C FABIAN LAW,  
Chairman Joint Committee.

Mr. Law moved that the report be spread upon the Journal

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Wilson, of the 4th, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Florida, May 12, 1903.

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An act relating to dower and child's part in favor of widows in the estates of their husbands.

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A Joint Resolution proposing amendment to section 8 of article 12 of the Constitution of the State of Florida.

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An act to organize and establish a county court in and for Duval county, Florida, and to prescribe the terms thereof.

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Memorial to Congress asking an appropriation for deepening the entrance to St. Andrews Bay.

Also,

An act providing that any person disclosing or making known any message, communication or fact coming to their attention or notice by reason of their position with a telephone company, or an individual owning or operating a telephone business, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and prescribing a penalty therefor.

Have carefully examined the same, and find them to be correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

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Chairman of Committee.

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Mr. Wilson of the 4th, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Florida, Nov 12, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

*President of the Senate:*

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

An act to legalize the incorporation of Macclenny, Florida, and to bestow certain powers thereon.

Have examined the same and find it correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

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Senate Chamber,

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An act to validate and legalize all illegal assessments of taxes and illegal collection of the same, in this State, where the purpose of such taxation is to pay the interest or sinking fund on any county bonds, issued for the purpose of constructing macadamized and other hard surfaced highways in such county, and to fund the out-

An act to amend section 2982 of the Revised Statutes standing indebtedness of any such county, or for either or both such purposes.

Also,

An act to prohibit the obstruction of county and settlement roads and prescribing penalty therefor.

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Also,

An act to prescribe the times and places for holding the Circuit Court in the Eighth Judicial Circuit of Florida.

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

C. L. WILSON,

Chairman of Committee.

And the act contained in the above report was referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to be conveyed

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

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Florida, May 12, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

*President of the Senate:*

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

Senate Bill No. 143.

A bill to be entitled an act affecting the government, powers, duties, officers, boards and elections of the city of Jacksonville, a municipal corporation in the county of Duval, Florida.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that said Senate Bill No. 143 do pass.

Very respectfully,

GUY GILLEN,  
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 143, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Wilson of the 4th, Chairman of the Committee on Militia, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Florida, May 12, 1903

Hon. Frank Adams,

*President of the Senate:*

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

Senate Bill No. 276:

A bill to be entitled an act to make an appropriation for transportation of the Florida State Troops, and for their pay and subsistence during ensampments, or while participating in practice marches during the years 1903 and 1904.

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

Very respectfully,

C. L. WILSON,  
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 276, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Wilson of the 4th, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Florida, May 12, 1903.

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An act to provide for the payment of witnesses subpoenaed to appear before the county prosecuting attorneys of the county courts.

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Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

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Chairman of Committee.

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An act to punish obtaining credit, goods, money or other property by any false statement in writing made to any merchant, dealer, bank or other persons with the fraudulent intent to obtain credit whereby any one relying upon the said statement is defrauded.

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

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**Also,**

**An act to prohibit the obstruction of county and settlement roads and prescribing penalty therefor.**

**Be it reported that the same has been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, and is herewith presented to the Senate for the signatures of the President and Secretary thereof.**

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

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Florida, May 12, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

*President of the Senate:*

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

Senate Bill No. 222:

A bill to be entitled an act to establish a county court in Columbia county, Florida.

Also,

Senate Bill No. 186:

A bill to be entitled an act to define the status of tax deeds based on certificates under Chapter 4011, appendix to the Revised Statutes of Florida, of land certified to the State for unpaid taxes, and rights conferred by such

Also—

Senate Bill No. 226:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 11 of Chapter 4678 of the Laws of Florida, the same being an act entitled "An act to provide for the division of counties into school districts, and for the election bi-ennially of three school trustees, and to prescribe their duties and powers, and for levying, collecting, and disbursing district school taxes.

Have carefully examined the same and find them correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

N. A. BLITCH,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bills Nos. 222, 186 and 226, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on third reading.

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

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Florida, May 12, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

*President of the Senate:*

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

Senate Bill No. 219:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the holding of Farmers' Institutes in the several counties of the State of Florida, and providing for the payment of the expenses thereof.

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

Very respectfully,

B. D. WADSWORTH,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 219, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Wilson of the 4th, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

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Be it reported that the same has been presented to the Governor for his approval.

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### BILLS ON THIRD READING.

#### Senate Bill No. 103:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the reimbursement of the owners of property by the several counties of the State of Florida from the money derived from the hire of State and county prisoners upon the due proof of the larceny of such property, and upon conviction or convictions for such larceny in a court of competent jurisdiction.

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

Upon call of the roll on Senate Bill No. 103, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Blicht, Faulkner, McCaskill, McCreary, Scott, Wadsworth—7.

Nays—Messrs. Bailey, Blount, Brown, Butler, Carson, Crews, Crill, Dimick, Gillen, Harris, Kirk, Law, MacWilliams, Raney, Rouse, Sams, Stockton, Whidden, Williams, Wilson of the 7th, Wilson of the 4th—21.

So the bill failed to pass.

Mr. Gillen moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 428, now on table subject to call, be taken up.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And

#### House Bill No. 428:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 2 of an act passed by the Senate and House of Representatives on the 14th day of April, 1903, and approved by the Governor April 16th, 1903, being an act entitled an act to amend Sections thirty-three (33), thirty-seven (37), forty-two (42), and sixty-seven (67) of an act entitled an act to abolish the present municipal government of the town of Lake City, in the county of Columbia, and State of Florida, and to establish, organize and constitute a municipality to be known and designated as the city of Lake City, and to define its territorial boundaries, and to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges, approved May 22,

1901, which section two amended said section thirty-seven (37) of said act entitled an act to abolish the present municipal government of the town of Lake City, in the County of Columbia, and State of Florida, and to establish, organize and constitute a municipality to be known and designated as the city of Lake City, and to define its territorial boundaries, and to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges.

Was taken up.

Mr. Gillen moved that House Bill No. 428 be indefinitely postponed.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Blount moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 255, now on second reading, be taken up out of its order and considered.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And,

Senate Bill No. 255:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for service by publication upon unknown parties in interest in property involved in certain chancery suits, and for decrees and other proceedings after such service.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

Mr. Blount moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 255 be placed on calendar of bills on third reading without being engrossed.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 255 was placed on calendar of bills on third reading.

The Senate resumed consideration of—

### BILLS ON THIRD READING.

House Bill No. 76:

A bill to be entitled an act to legalize the acts of all notaries public of the State of Florida up to April 1st, 1903.

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

Upon call of the roll on House Bill No. 76, as amended, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Bailey, Blitch, Blount, Brown, Butler, Carson, Crews, Crill, Faulkner, Gillen, Harris, Kirk, Law, McCaskill, McCreary, MacWilliams,

Miller, Palmer, Peacock, Raney, Rouse, Sams, Scott, Stockton, Wadsworth, Whidden, Williams, Wilson of the 7th—29.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed as amended, title as stated.

Senate Bill No. 225:

A bill to be entitled an act in aid of the Confederate Soldiers' and Sailors' Home at Jacksonville, Fla.

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

Upon call of the roll on Senate Bill No. 225 the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Bailey, Blicht, Blount, Brown, Butler, Carson, Crill, Dimick, Faulkner, Gillen, Harris, Kirk, Law, McCreary, MacWilliams, Miller, Palmer, Peacock, Rouse, Sams, Scott, Stockton, Wadsworth, Whidden, Williams, Wilson of the 7th, Wilson of the 4th.—28.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

House Bill No. 186:

A bill to be entitled an act to prohibit the larceny of any sheep or lambs in this State, and to prescribe a penalty for any violation thereof.

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

Upon call of the roll on House Bill No. 186 the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Bailey, Blicht, Blount, Brown, Butler, Carson, Crews, Crill, Dimick, Faulkner, Gillen, Harris, Law, McCaskill, McCreary, MacWilliams, Miller, Palmer, Peacock, Raney, Rouse, Sams, Stockton, Wadsworth, Whidden, Williams, Wilson of the 7th, Wilson of the 4th.—29.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed title as stated.

House Bill No. 165:

A bill to be entitled an act to punish persons inflicting personal injuries upon others—not resulting in death—through culpable negligence or a reckless disregard for the safety of others.

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

Upon call of the roll on House Bill No. 165 the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Bailey, Blicht, Brown, Butler, Carson, Crews, Crill, Dimick, Faulkner, Gillen, Harris, Kirk, Law, McCaskill, McCreary, MacWilliams, Miller, Palmer, Peacock, Rouse, Sams, Stockton, Wadsworth, Whidden, Williams, Wilson of the 7th, Wilson of the 4th—29.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Senate Bill No. 292:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize and empower the Board of County Commissioners of Citrus County, Florida, to transfer the surplus funds held in the treasury of said county, on account of the fine and forfeiture fund, from said fund to the road and bridge account, to be used in constructing and maintaining permanent hard roads.

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

Upon call of the roll on Senate Bill No. 292 the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Bailey, Blicht, Brown, Butler, Carson, Crews, Crill, Faulkner, Gillen, Harris, Kirk, Law, McCaskill, McCreary, MacWilliams, Miller, Palmer, Peacock, Rouse, Sams, Wadsworth, Whidden, Williams, Wilson of the 7th, Wilson of the 4th.—28.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Senate Bill No. 230:

A bill to be entitled an act requiring fire insurance companies or associations lawfully doing business in the State of Florida, to transact their business in said State through their agents who are residents of the State; forbidding such companies or associations from re-insuring under certain conditions and from employing as their agents in this State any persons who divide their commission with a non-resident of this State, and fixing penalties for violation of this act.

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

Upon call of the roll on Senate Bill No. 230 the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Bailey, Blount, Brown, Butler, Carson, Crews, Dimick, Faulkner, Gillen, Law,

McCaskill, McCreary, MacWilliams, Miller, Rouse, Sams, Scott, Stockton, Wadsworth, Whidden, Williams, Wilson of the 7th, Wilson of the 4th.—24.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Mr. Kirk moved that the rules be waived, and that all bills passed this morning be immediately certified to the House of Representatives.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And the bills were so certified.

#### BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Senate Bill No. 197:

A bill to be entitled an act describing wherein certain facts constitute a fraud, and to prescribe a punishment in such cases, and to repeal chapter 4032, appendix to Revised Statutes of the State of Florida.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

And Senate Bill No. 197 was ordered referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 154:

A bill to be entitled an act to prescribe the criminal jurisdiction of county judges of the several counties of this State, and to repeal section 2847, Revised Statutes of Florida.

Was taken up.

Mr. Peacock moved that Senate Bill No. 154 be placed on the table subject to call.

Which was agreed to.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 214:

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 8 of article 8 of the Constitution of the State of Florida.

Was taken up.

Mr. Peacock asked permission to withdraw Senate Joint Resolution No. 214.

Which was granted.

And Senate Joint Resolution No. 214 was withdrawn.

Senate Bill No. 121:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 1224, of Chapter 4 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, prescribing the form of indenture of apprenticeship and the covenant thereof.

Was taken up.

Mr. Stockton moved that Senate Bill No. 121 be laid on table subject to call.

Which was agreed to.

Senate Bill No. 120:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 3, of Chapter 4971, Laws of Florida, entitled "An act for the prevention of cruelty to children and animals, and to rescue children from immoral surroundings."

Was taken up.

Mr. Stockton moved that Senate Bill No. 120 be laid on table subject to call.

Which was agreed to.

House Bill No. 148:

A bill to be entitled an act as to compensation of the judge of the county court in counties where the population exceeds twenty-five thousand, and inhibiting such judge from practicing law.

Was taken up and read a second time in full, together with the amendments of the Committee on Judiciary.

The following committee amendment was read:

Strike out from the title of said bill the following words:

"And providing for costs in appellate proceedings from said county courts."

Mr. Wilson of the 4th moved the adoption of the committee amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following committee amendment was read:

Strike out the Third Section of the bill and substitute "Section 3" for "Section 4."

Mr. Wilson of the 4th moved the adoption of the committee amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Wilson of the 4th offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 148.

Strike out the words "twenty-five" in line 2, section 1, and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"Twenty-three."

Mr. Wilson of the 4th moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Wilson of the 4th offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 148:

Strike out the words "twenty-five" in line 4, title of

bill, and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"Twenty-three."

Mr. Wilson of the 4th moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And House Bill No. 148, as amended, was placed on the calendar of bills on third reading.

Mr. Carson moved that the rules be waived, and Senate bill No. 64, now on table subject to call, be taken up and considered.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And

Senate Bill No. 64:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for free school books in the counties of this State, and to authorize the levy of a special tax in each county for that purpose.

Was taken up and read a second time in full, together with the committee substitute therefor, with the following title:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for free school books in the counties of this State.

The substitute was then read a second time in full.

Mr. Carson moved the adoption of the committee substitute.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Harris offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 64:

Section—That the cost of all such free school books shall be paid by the State of Florida, and the sum of thirty thousand dollars is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated for the purpose of carrying this act into effect.

Mr. Harris moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Palmer moved that Senate Bill No. 64 be indefinitely postponed.

The yeas and nays were demanded.

Upon call of the roll on the motion to indefinitely postpone, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Bailey, Blich, Brown, Butler, Crews, Crill, Faulkner, Gillen, Law, McCaskill, Palmer, Peacock, Rouse, Sams, Scott, Wadsworth, Whidden, Williams, Wilson of the 7th—20.

Nays—Messrs. Carson, Harris, Kirk, McCreary, MacWilliams, Miller, Wilson of the 4th—7.

So Senate Bill No. 64 was indefinitely postponed.

**House Bill No. 137:**

A bill to be entitled an act requiring teachers summer training schools, and making appropriations therefor

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

The following committee amendment was read:

Strike out the words after the word "sustain" in the 12th line, on page 3, of section 1, to the end of said section 1.

Mr. Carson moved the adoption of the committee amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Kirk moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 137 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. 137 as amended was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Bailey, Butch, Brown, Butler, Carson, Crews, Crill, Dimick, Faulkner, Gillen, Harris, Kirk, Law, McCaskill, McCreary, MacWilliams, Miller, Peacock, Rouse, Sams, Stockton, Wadsworth, Whidden, Williams, Wilson of the 7th, Wilson of the 4th—28.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, as amended, title as stated.

**Senate Bill No. 85:**

A Bill to be entitled an Act to prescribe who shall be liable for Capitation Tax, and to regulate the assessment thereof, and to prescribe a method for the collection of Capitation Taxes in the State of Florida.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

Mr. Harris offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 85:

Add to title the following: "And to increase the Republican vote in the several counties of the State of Florida."

Mr. Harris moved the adoption of the amendment.

Mr. Harris withdrew the motion.

Mr. Blich moved that Senate Bill No. 85 be laid on table subject to call and 150 copies be printed.

Which was agreed to.

Senate Bill No. 267:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize and empower Board of Public Instructions of the several counties of this State to provide free kindergarten instruction in certain cases.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

And Senate Bill No. 267 was ordered referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

#### SPECIAL ORDER.

Senate Bill No. 202:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide pensions for disabled soldiers and sailors, and widows of all soldiers and sailors who were killed or died during the Civil War, or who have since died, of the State of Florida, and making an appropriation for payment of the same, and for creating a State Board of Pensions.

Was taken up.

The hour of 12 o'clock m, having arrived, the time set for its consideration.

Mr. McCreary moved that Senate Bill No. 202 be made a special order for Wednesday, May 13, at 11 o'clock a. m.

Which was agreed to.

The Senate resumed consideration of

#### BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Senate Bill No. 244:

A bill to be entitled an act regulating and providing for the establishment and maintenance of ferries across river where the operation of ferries on regular schedules and at frequent intervals appear, to be necessary to public convenience.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

Mr. Stockton moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 244 be placed on calendar of bills on third reading without being engrossed.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 244 was placed on calendar of bills on third reading.

## Senate Bill No. 260:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 4604, Laws of Florida, approved June 5, 1897, being entitled an act to amend Section 720 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, in reference to contracting of territorial limits of cities and towns.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

Mr. Williams moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 266 be placed on calendar of bills on third reading without being engrossed.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 260 was placed on calendar of bills on third reading.

## House Bill No. 70:

Declaring the town of Holly Hill, in Volusia county, Florida, to be a legally incorporated town, and the officers thereof legally elected and qualified.

Was taken up.

Mr. Sams moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 70 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 70 was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Sams moved that the rules be further waived and House Bill No. 70 be read a third time and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 70 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. Bailey, Blicht, Blount, Brown, Butler, Carson, Crews, Crill, Faulkner, Gillen, Harris, Law, McCaskill, MacWilliams, Miller, Palmer, Peacock, Raney, Rouse, Sams, Scott, Stockton, Wadsworth, Whidden, Williams, Wilson of the 4th.—29.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

## House Bill No. 16:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for free school books in the counties of this State and to authorize the levy of a special tax in each county for that purpose.

Was taken up.

Mr. Palmer moved that House Bill No. 16 be indefinitely postponed.

Which was agreed to.

At 12:20 o'clock—

Mr. Kirk moved that the Senate go into executive session.

Which was agreed to.

And the doors were closed.

At 12:25 o'clock the doors were opened.

The roll being called 30 Senators answered to their names, showing a quorum present. Messrs. Dimick and Neel being absent.

Mr. Kirk moved to adjourn.

Which was not agreed to.

A message was received from the House of Representatives.

The Senate resumed the consideration of

#### BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Senate Bill No. 128:

A bill to be entitled an act to require the sleeping car companies and railroad companies operating sleeping cars in this State to separate white and colored passengers; and to require such passengers to comply with the regulations for their separate accommodations.

Was taken up,

Mr. Palmer moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 128 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 128 was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Kirk moved to adjourn until 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

Which was not agreed to

The Senate resumed the consideration of—

Senate Bill No. 128:

A bill to be entitled an act to require the sleeping car companies and railroad companies operating sleeping cars in this State to separate white and colored passengers; and to require such passengers to comply with the regulations for their separate accommodations.

Mr. Palmer moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 128 be read a third time and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote,

And Senate Bill No. 128 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. Bailey, Blich, Brown, Butler, Carson, Crews, Dimick, Faulkner, Gillean, McCaskill, McCreary, MacWilliams, Palmer, Peacock, Rouse, Scott, Stockton, Wadsworth, Williams, Wilson of the 7th, Wilson of the 4th—22.

Nays—Messrs. Blount, Crill, Harris, Kirk, Law, Miller, Raney, Sams, Whidden—10.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Mr. Law moved that the calendar of bills on table subject to call be sounded.

Which was agreed to.

And the Senate proceeded to consider bills on table subject to call.

Senate Bill No. 203:

A bill to be entitled an act to divide the State of Florida into eight judicial circuits, and for the appointment of State attorneys therefor.

Was taken up.

Mr. Blount asked permission to withdraw Senate Bill No. 203.

Which was granted.

And Senate Bill No. 203 was withdrawn.

Senate Resolution No. 33:

Relative to water hyacinths in Santa Fee Lake.

Was taken up.

Mr. McCreary asked permission to withdraw Senate Resolution No. 33.

Which was granted.

And Senate Resolution No. 33 was withdrawn.

Mr. Wilson of the 7th moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 34 be taken up and considered.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And

Senate Bill No. 34:

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal Section 14 of Chapter 5014, being an act to regulate the holding of political primary elections in the State of Florida for nominating candidates for any offices under the laws of this State, and for nominating delegates to political conventions.

Was taken up.

Mr. Wilson of the 7th asked permission to withdraw Senate Bill No. 34.

Which was granted.

And Senate Bill No. 34 was withdrawn.

Mr. Wilson of the 7th moved that the rules be waived and messages from the House of Representatives be taken up.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And the Senate proceeded to consider—

#### MESSAGES FROM HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives.

Tallahassee, Florida, May 12, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

*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. 201:

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate sales of real estate and the consummation thereof, had upon application of administrators, executors and guardians, and validating such sales heretofore made.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 201, contained in the above message was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,

Tallahassee, Florida, May 12, 1903.

HON. FRANK ADAMS,

*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. 238:

A bill to be entitled an act prescribing a penalty for permitting and allowing dogs that have injured or killed sheep, or are in the habit of injuring or killing the same, from running at large.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,  
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 238, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Florida, May 12, 1903.  
HON. FRANK ADAMS,

*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. 292:

A bill to be entitled an act for the preservation of wild deer, birds and other game, and to prescribe the time in which they shall be hunted, and to provide that all non-residents of the State shall take out a license before they shall hunt such wild deer, birds or other game, and prescribing a penalty for the violation thereof.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,  
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 292, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Game.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives.

Tallahassee, Florida, May 12, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

*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. 153:

A bill to be entitled an act to prohibit employers from paying off employees in scrip, checks, orders or coupons, except under special mutual agreement with said employees, and to regulate prices to be charged for goods and merchandise by such employers, and to prescribe a penalty for the violation of this act.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,  
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 153, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Organized Labor.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Florida, May 12, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

*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. 308:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 2606, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the intermarriage of white and colored persons.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,  
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 308, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Florida, May 12, 1903.

HON. FRANK ADAMS,

*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. 121:

A bill to be entitled an act to preserve the pine forests of the State of Florida, to regulate the manner and time of cutting and working turpentine boxes, to prescribe the size of pine trees available for saw mill and turpentine purposes, and to prescribe a penalty for any violation of the provisions of this act.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,  
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 121, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Forestry.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Florida, May 12, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

*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. 270:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the payment of damages for crops destroyed by animals running at large.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,  
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 270, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Florida, May 12, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

*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 Concurrent Resolution No. 21:

Relative to rescinding and revoking a concurrent resolution for calling a convention to make the election of United States Senators elective by a direct vote of the people.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 21, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Harris moved to adjourn until 11 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate adjourned until 11 o'clock a. m. Wednesday, May 13, 1903.

#### CONFIRMATION.

Bascom H. Palmer to be Judge of the Third Judicial Circuit of the State of Florida.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 1903.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, 31 Senators answered to their names, showing a quorum present. Mr. Neel being absent.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal as corrected was approved.