

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

Mr. Raney moved that House Bill No. 241 be indefinitely postponed.

Which was agreed to.

House Bil No. 89:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Chapter 5035 of the Laws of Florida, entitled an act to provide for the construction and maintainance of drains by the several counties of the State of Florida, and to provide for assessments of the costs thereof against the property benefitted thereby, and further to provide for the collection and enforcement of such assessments, and to legalize all contracts for all drains which heretofore may have been entered into.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

And House Bill No. 89 was placed on the calendar of bills on third reading.

Mr. MacWilliams moved that the Senate adjourn until 9 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate sttd adjourned until 9 o'clock a. m., Saturday, May 23, 1903.

SATURDAY, MAY 23, 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. Bailey 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. Raney:

Senate Bill No. 380:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the payment of stenographers.

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

By Mr. Blich:

Senate Bill No. 381:

A bill to be entitled an act to require the minutes of the proceedings of the Railroad Commission of the State of Florida to be published in three newspapers in said State.

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

By Mr. Gillen:

Senate Bill No. 382:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 2, of 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, said amendatory act having been approved on the 16th day of April A. D. 1903.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Gillen moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 382 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 382 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Gillen moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 382 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 382 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on Senate Bill No. 382 the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Blich, Blount, Brown, Butler, Cason, Crews, Crill, Dimick, Faulkner, Gillen, Kirk, Law, McCaskill McCreary, MacWilliams, Miller, Neel, 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.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 23, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

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

House Bill No. 335:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 12, of Chapter 5014, of the Laws of Florida, approved May 31, 1901, relating to the holding of political primaries in the State of Florida.

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

Very respectfully,
TELFAIR STOCKTON,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill N. 385, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Butler, Chairman of the Special Committee on the part of the Senate under House Concurrent Resolution No. 230, submitted the following report, which was ordered spread upon the Journal.

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 23, 1903

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Joint Committee appointed under House Concurrent Resolution No. 23, to visit the proposed sites which the city of Tallahassee offer for a Governor's mansion, and report which will be the most desirable and suitable for the purpose.

Begin to report:

That after careful inspection and consideration of the two lots proposed, viz: Jackson Square and Green Square, as named in resolution of the city council of the

city of Tallahassee of May 14th, 1903, in the opinion of your Committee Jackson Square would be the preferable of the two for such purposes.

Your Committee beg to furthe state that upon investigation of the titled of said lots, in the opinion of your committee, the title of said square is at present in the State of Florida and the squares should be reserved as parks for the comfort and convenience of the public.

P. W. BUTLER,
Chairman of Committee.

C. FABIAN LAW,
On part of the Senate.

SCOTT M. LOFTIN,
J. P. WALL,
E. H. MOTE,

On part of the House.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 23, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

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

An act to amend Section 1, Chapter 4683, Laws of Florida, approved June 2nd, 1899, being an act to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors within four miles distance of public or private school buildings and houses of worship, and provide penalties therefor.

Also,

An act in aid of the Confederate Soldiers and Sailors Home at Jacksonville, Fla.

Also,

An act to legalize the incorporation of the town of White Springs, in Hamilton county, Florida, to fix and define the boundaries thereof, and to declare the incorporation and ordinances of said town valid and of full force and effect and to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges.

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.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 23, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate Bill No. 351:

A bill to be entitled an act constituting a State Text Book Commission, to select and adopt a uniform series or system of text books for use in the public schools of the State of Florida.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that 200 copies of the same be printed, and the bill be recommended to the committee.

Very respectfully,
C. A. CARSON,
Chairman of Committee.

Mr. Carson moved that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted and that 200 copies of Senate Bill No. 351 be printed.

Which was agreed to.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 23, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

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

House Bill No. 249:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 10 and 11 of Chapter 4888, Laws of Florida, entitled an act to provide for the issue, custody, redemption, sale and transfer of tax sale certificates, and the issue of tax deeds and prescribing the duties of certain officers in connection therewith.

1st amendment—In line 1, page 3, strike out the words “for vouchers,” and insert “for ascertaining all outstanding certificates.”

2d amendment—After the word “sale” in line 4 page 3; “in which said land was sold.”

3d amendment—Strike out from the word “provided” in line 7, page 3, to the word “certificate,” included in line 1, page 4.

4th amendment—After the words “in presence of,” and before the words “section 11 on page 8, insert the following: “Section 2. That Section 11 be amended to read as follows:

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

Very respectfully,

E. S. CRILL,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 249, contained in the above report, together with the amendments thereto, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 23, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

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

House Bill No. 414:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 5 of Chapter 4323 (No. 3) of the Laws of Florida, being an act entitled an act establishing a fine and forfeiture fund in the several counties, regulating the payment of criminal costs,

authorizing a special tax for said costs, and providing for the feed of prisoners and hire of convicts, approved April 20th, 1895.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it be referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Very respectfully,

E. S. CRILL,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 414, contained in the above report, was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 23, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate

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

An act to amend Section 1, Chapter 4683, Laws of Florida, approved June 2nd, 1899, being an act to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors within four miles distance of public or private school buildings and houses of worship, and provide penalties therefor.

Also,

An act in aid of the Confederate Soldiers and Sailors Home at Jacksonville, Fla.

Also,

An act to legalize the incorporation of the town of White Springs, in Hamilton county, Florida, to fix and define the boundaries thereof, and to declare the incorporation and ordinances of said town valid and of full force and effect and to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges.

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 was referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to be

conveyed to the House of Representatives for the signatures of the Speaker and the Chief Clerk thereof.

Mr. Blount, Chairman of the Committee on Commerce and Navigation, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 23, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate Joint Resolution No. 307, containing:

A memorial to the Congress of the United States asking that the use of chemical or chemicals lately used by the United States authorities in the attempted destruction of the water hyacinths in the waters of the St. Johns river and its tributaries be discontinued.

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

Very Respectfully,
W. A. BLOUNT,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Joint Resolution No. 307, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 23, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

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

House Bill No. 545:

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal Chapter 4649 of the Laws of Florida, the same being an act to establish the municipality of Bellair; provide for its government and prescribe its jurisdiction and powers.

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

Very respectfully,

GUY GILLEN,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 545, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 23, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate Bill No. 346:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the education and industrial training of the blind, deaf and dumb of the State of Florida.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that said bill do pass with the following amendments to Senate Bill No. 346:

Strike out the words "The Florida Institute for the Blind, Deaf and Dumb," on first line in section one (1) and insert in lieu thereof: "The Florida School for the Blind, Deaf and Dumb."

Strike out the words "The Florida Institute of the Blind, Deaf and Dumb," in the third line of section two (2), of said bill, and insert in lieu thereof the following: "The Florida School for the Blind, Deaf and Dumb."

Strike out the words "The Florida Institute for the Blind, Deaf and Dumb," in the third line in section two

Strike out the word "provided," on the 12th line of section 4 of said bill, to end of said section, and insert in lieu the following: "Provided that the Trustees upon recommendation of the Superintendents, may allow pupils to remain after they reach the age of 21 years."

Strike out the word "Institute," on the fourth line of section one (1), and insert in lieu thereof the following: No. 230, submitted the following netrippocopoa raMernrs "School."

Strike out the word "Institute" on the second and third line of section two (2), and insert the following: "School."

Strike out the word "Institute," on the 1st, 6th, 8th, 12th and 15th line of section 4, and insert in lieu thereof "School."

Strike out the word "Institute" in the 4th and 7th lines of section 5, and in lieu hereof, insert the following: "School."

Strike out the words "Provided those who have the means shall be required to pay the necessary expenses, tuition excepted, of their children or wards." commencing on the 12th line of section 4 of said bill.

Very Respectfully,

C. C. CARSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 346, 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, Fla., May 23, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

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

An act to amend Section 1, Chapter 4683, Laws of Florida, approved June 2nd, 1899, being an act to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors within four miles distance of public or private school buildings and houses of worship, and provide penalties therefor.

Also,

An act in aid of the Confederate Soldiers and Sailors Home at Jacksonville, Fla.

Also,

An act to legalize the incorporation of the town of White Springs, in Hamilton county, Florida, to fix and define the boundaries thereof, and to declare the incorporation and ordinances of said town valid and of full force and effect and to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges.

Beg to report that the same has been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives for the signature of the President and Secretary thereof.

Very respectfully,
C. L. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

ENROLLED.

The President announced that he was about to sign—
An act to amend Section 1, Chapter 4683, Laws of Florida, approved June 2nd, 1899, being an act to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors within four miles distance of public or private school buildings and houses of worship, and provide penalties therefor.

Also,

An act in aid of the Confederate Soldiers and Sailors Home at Jacksonville, Fla.

Also,

An act to legalize the incorporation of the town of White Springs, in Hamilton county, Florida, to fix and define the boundaries thereof, and to declare the incorporation and ordinances of said town valid and of full force and effect and to provide for its jurisdiction, power and privileges.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 23, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate Bill No. 115:

A bill to be entitled an act regulating the impounding of cattle by municipal corporations.

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

Very respectfully,
GEO. P. RANEY,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 115, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 23, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

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

Senate Bill No. 99:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section eight (8) of an act entitled "An Act to make it unlawful for live stock to run at large in certain election districts in Leon county, and to provide for the impounding and sale of stock so running at large."

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered the same, and recommend that the same do pass with the following amendment:

Add to the title, at the end thereof, the words and figures following: "Approved May 31, 1889."

Very respectfully,
GEO. P. RANEY,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 99, contained in the above report, together with amendments thereto, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Miller, Chairman of the Committee on Forestry, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 23, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

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

House Bill No. 381:

A bill to be entitled an act to prevent the cutting of section corner, township corner or range corner trees marked as such and prescribing a penalty for same.

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

Very respectfully,

WM. MILLER,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 381, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 23, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate.

SIR—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred.—

House Bill No. 215:

A bill to be entitled an act regulating the impounding of cattle by municipal corporations.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered the same, and recommend that the bill do pass with the following amendment:

After the word "cattle" in line 7 of Section 1, add the words "or other domestic animals and dogs."

Very respectfully,

GEO. P. RANEY,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 215, contained in the above report, together with amendments thereto, 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, Fla., May 23, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

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

An act to amend Section 1, Chapter 4683, Laws of Florida, approved June 2nd, 1899, being an act to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors within four miles distance of public or private school buildings and houses of worship, and provide penalties therefor.

Also,

An act in aid of the Confederate Soldiers and Sailors Home at Jacksonville, Fla.

Also,

An act to legalize the incorporation of the town of White Springs, in Hamilton county, Florida, to fix and define the boundaries thereof, and to declare the incorporation and ordinances of said town valid and of full force and effect and to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges.

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

Very respectfully,

C. L. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Senate Bill No. 275:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 2256 of Sub-Chapter 6, Article 4, of the Laws of Florida, entitled an act "Special Provisions for Telegraph Companies to Occupy Roads."

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

Upon call of the roll on Senate Bill No. 275 the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Blitch, Blount, Brown, Butler, Carson, Crews, Crill, Dimick, Faulkner, Kirk,

McCaskill, MacWilliams, Miller, Neel, Rouse, Scott, Wadsworth, Whidden, Williams, Wilson of the 7th, Wilson of the 4th.—22.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Senate Bill No. 310:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the protection of sheep and lambs running at large on the ranges in the various counties of the State of Florida, and for other purposes.

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

Upon call of the roll on Senate Bill No. 310 the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Blich, Blount, Brown, Butler, Carson, Crews, Crill, Dimick, Faulkner, Kirk, McCaskill, McCreary, MacWilliams, Miller, Neel, Raney, Rouse, Scott, Stockton, Wadsworth, Whidden, Williams, Wilson of the 7th.—23.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Senate Bill No. 234:

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate all money paid to the State of Florida by the government of the United States, known as the Indian War Claim Fund.

Was taken up.

Mr. Rouse asked permission to withdraw Senate Bill No. 234.

Which was granted.

And Senate Bill No. 234 was withdrawn.

Senate Substitute for—

House Bill No. 29:

A bill to be entitled an act to prohibit the adulteration of spirits of turpentine and to provide a penalty for the violation of the same.

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

Upon call of the roll on substitute for House Bill No. 29 the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Blich, Blount, Brown, Butler, Carson, Crews, Crill, Dimick, Faulkner, Harris, Kirk, McCaskill, McCreary, MacWilliams, Miller, Neel,

Raney, Rouse, Scott, Stockton, Wadsworth, Whidden, Williams, Wilson of the 7th.—25.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

House Joint Resolution No. 168:

Proposing amendment to Section 12, of Article 12, of the Constitution of the State of Florida, relating to education.

Was taken up and read a third time in full.

Mr. Whidden moved that House Joint Resolution No. 168 be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Whidden withdrew the motion.

Upon call of the roll on House Joint Resolution No. 168 the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Blicht, Brown, Crews, Gillen, McCaskill, McCreary, MacWilliams, Miller, Neel, Stockton, Wadsworth, Williams.—13.

Nays—Messrs. Blount, Butler, Carson, Crill, Dimick, Harris, Kirk, Raney, Rouse, Scott, Whidden, Wilson of the 7th.—12.

So House Joint Resolution No. 168, having failed to receive the constitutional majority of three-fifths of all the members elected to the Senate, failed to pass.

House Bill No. 104:

A bill to be entitled an act requiring notaries public to attach to their official signatures the date when commission expires.

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

Upon call of the roll on House Bill No. 104, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Blicht, Blount, Brown, Butler, Carson, Crews, Crill, Dimick, Faulkner, Gillen, Kirk, McCaskill, McCreary, MacWilliams, Miller, Neel, Raney, Rouse, Scott, Stockton, Wadsworth, Whidden, Williams, Wilson of the 7th.—25.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

House Bill No. 490:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for testing the legality of elections held to determine whether intoxicating liquors, wines or beer shall be sold, and to pro-

hibit collateral contests thereof in prosecutions for crime.

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

Upon call of the roll on House Bill No. 490 the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Blicht, Blount, Brown, Butler, Carson, Crews, Crill, Dimick, Faulkner, Gillen, Kirk, Law, McCaskill, McCreary, Miller, Neel, Raney, Rouse, Sams, Scott, Stockton, Whidden, Williams, Wilson of the 7th, Wilson of the 4th.—26.

Nays—Messrs. Harris, Palmer, Wadsworth.—3.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Senate Bill No. 278:

A bill to be entitled an act defining the punishment of petit larceny.

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

Upon call of the roll on Senate Bill No. 278 the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Blicht, Blount, Brown, Butler, Carson, Crews, Crill, Faulkner, Kirk, Law, McCaskill, McCreary, Miller, Neel, Palmer, Peacock, Raney, Rouse, Sams, Scott, Stockton, Wadsworth, Whidden, Williams, Wilson of the 7th, Wilson of the 4th.—27.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Senate Bill No. 277:

A bill to be entitled an act to define and punish breaking, or entering without breaking, a dwelling house, with intent to commit a misdemeanor.

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

Upon call of the roll on Senate Bill No. 277 the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Blicht, Blount, Brown, Butler, Carson, Crews, Crill, Faulkner, Gillen, Kirk, Law, McCaskill, McCreary, Miller, Neel, Palmer, Peacock, Raney, Rouse, Sams, Scott, Stockton, Wadsworth, Whidden, Wilson of the 7th, Wilson of the 4th.—27.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Senate Bill No. 325:

A bill to be entitled an act amending Chapter 4573 of

the Laws of Florida, entitled an act to amend Section 939 of the Revised Statutes of Florida, relating to the examination and licensing of pilots by Pilot Commissioners, approved June 3d, 1897.

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

Upon call of the roll on Senate Bill No. 325 the vote was :

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Blicht, Blount, Brown, Butler, Carson, Crews, Crill, Faulkner, Gillen, Kirk, McCaskill, McCreary, Miller, Palmer, Peacock, Raney, Rouse, Sams, Scott, Stockton, Wadsworth, Whidden, Williams.—28.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

House Bill No. 48:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for and regulate temporary vacancies by teachers in the public schools of Florida.

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

Upon call of the roll on House Bill No. 48 the vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Blicht, Brown, Butler, Carson, Crews, Crill, Dimick, Faulkner, Gillen, Kirk, McCaskill, McCreary, Miller, Peacock, Rouse, Sams, Scott, Wadsworth, Whidden, Williams.—22.

Nays—Mr. Blount—1.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

House Bill No. 154:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the representatives of Allison J. Tinsley.

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

Upon call of the roll on House Bill No. 154, the vote was :

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Brown, Butler, Harris, Law, McCreary, Palmer, Sams, Stockton, Williams.—10.

Nays—Messrs. Blicht, Blount, Carson, Crews, Crill, Dimick, Gillen, Kirk, McCaskill, Miller, Peacock, Raney, Rouse, Scott, Wadsworth, Whidden, Wilson of the 7th, Wilson of the 4th.—18.

So the bill failed to pass.

A message was received from the House of Representatives.

SPECIAL ORDER.

House Bill No. 92:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for forming sub-road districts in the counties of the State of Florida, and for the election of road trustees, and empowering trustees to improve and maintain the public roads of their district, and to provide for the assessment and collection of a special tax for such purpose.

Was taken up, the hour of 10:30 o'clock, the time set for its consideration having arrived.

Mr. McCreary moved that further consideration of House Bill No. 92 be deferred until Tuesday next, at 10:30 o'clock a. m.

Which was agreed to.

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

State of Florida,
Executive Department,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 23, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

DEAR SIR—I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed the following acts which originated in your honorable body.

An act for the relief of Mrs. Jennette Prevat

Also,

An act to amend Section 1001 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida relating to the locality of suits against corporations.

I beg to further inform you that the said acts have been filed in the office of the Secretary of State.

Yours truly,

W. S. JENNINGS,
Governor.

SPECIAL ORDER.

Senate Bill No. 253:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the division of counties into road districts and for the election biennially of three road trustees, and to prescribe their duties and powers, and for levying, collecting and disbursing district road taxes.

Was taken up, the hour of 10:40 o'clock, the time set for its consideration having arrived.

Mr. McCreary moved that further consideration of Senate Bill No. 253 be deferred until Tuesday next, at 10:30 o'clock a. m.

Which was agreed to.

The Senate resumed consideration of—

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

House Bill No. 150:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of J. H. Williams, for services as stenographer in the circuit court of Duval county, Florida.

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

Upon call of the roll on House Bill No. 150, the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Brown, Butler, Law, McCreary, MacWilliams, Miller, Stockton, Williams—8.

Nays—Messrs. Blich, Brown, Butler, Carson, Crews, Crill, Dimick, Harris, Kirk, McCaskill, Neel, Peacock, Raney, Rouse, Sams, Scott, Wadsworth, Wilson of the 7th—18.

SPECIAL ORDER.

House Bill No. 492:

A bill to be entitled an act to prescribe the time for holding the terms of the Circuit Court in and for the First, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, and Eighth Judicial Circuits of the State of Florida.

Was taken up, the hour of 10:45 o'clock, the time set for its consideration having arrived.

Mr. Wilson of the 7th moved that House Bill No. 492

be passed over temporarily, to enable him to prepare an amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Stockton moved that the rules be waived and messages from the House of Representatives be taken up and considered.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives:
Tallahassee, Fla., May 23, 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. 480:

A bill to be entitled an act amending chapter 4573 of the Laws of Florida, entitled an act to amend section 930 of the Revised Statutes of Florida, relating to the examination and licensing of pilots by Pilot Commissioners, approved June 3d, 1897.

And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

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

And House Bill No. 480, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Stockton moved that the rules be waived and Bill No. 480 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 480, was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Stockton moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 480 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 480 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. Blicht, Blount, Brown, Butler, Carson, Crews, Dimick, Faulkner, Harris, Kirk, Law, McCaskill, McCreary, MacWilliams, Neel, Palmer, Peacock, Raney, Rouse, Sams, Scott, Stockton, Wadsworth, Whidden, Williams—26.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed title as stated.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 23, 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. 256:

A bill to be entitled an act providing for the incorporation, powers and regulation of sick and funeral benefit insurance companies respectively, and to punish persons representing such associations without authority of the State of Florida.

And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 256, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Corporation.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 23, 1903.
Senate Chamber,

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 Bill No. 179:

A bill to be entitled an act to legalize and validate all warrants heretofore issued by County Boards of Public Instruction for money borrowed for educational purposes, and to prohibit the issuing in future of warrants for money borrowed for such purposes.

With the following amendments:

Strike out all of the title after the word "purposes."

Strike out all of section one after the word validated in line 5.

Strike out section 2 and make section 3, read section 2 and section 4 read section 3.

And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very Respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 179, contained in the above message, was placed before the Senate, together with the amendments of the House of Representatives.

Mr. McCreary moved that the Senate concur in the amendments of the House of Representatives to Senate Bill No. 179.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 179, as amended by the House of Representatives and concurred in by the Senate, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Palmer moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 545 be taken up out of its order and now considered.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And,

House Bill No. 545:

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal Chapter 4649 of the Laws of Florida, the same being an act to establish the municipality of Belleair, provide for its government and prescribe its jurisdiction and powers.

Was taken up.

Mr. Palmer moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 545 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 545 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Palmer moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 545 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 545 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. Blich, Blount, Brown, Butler, Carson, Crews, Dimick, Gillen, Kirk, Law, McCaskill, McCreary, MacWilliams, Neel, Palmer, Peacock, Raney, Rouse, Sams, Scott, Wadsworth, Whidden, Williams, Wilson of the 4th.—25.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed title as stated.

Mr. MacWilliams moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 110 be taken up out of its order and now considered.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And,

Senate Joint Resolution No. 110:

Proposing an amendment to the constitution of the State of Florida, providing for the distribution of moneys collected by direct taxation for school purposes.

Was taken up.

Mr. MacWilliams Asked permission to withdraw Senate Bill No. 110.

Was taken up.

And Senate Bill No. 110 was withdrawn.

Mr. Stockton moved that the rules be waived and the action of the Senate on all bills today be immediately certified to the House of Representatives.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And the bills were so certified.

The President appointed Messrs. Harris, Law, Peacock and Scott as the conference committee on the part of the Senate on Senate Bill No. 37.

Mr. MacWilliams moved that Senate Bill No. 371, the special order set for consideration at 12 o'clock m. today, be now taken up and considered.

Which was agreed to.

And,

Senate Bill No. 371;

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of S. I. Wailes and the estate of W. K. Beard, deceased.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

Mr. Gillen offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 371:

Strike out the figures \$77,415.43 wherever they occur in the bill and insert in lieu thereof the following, \$25,000.

Mr. Gillen moved the adoption of the amendment.

Pending which—

Mr. Harris moved that further consideration of Senate Bill No. 371 be deferred until Monday, May 25, at 4:15 o'clock p. m.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Harris moved to adjourn until 4 o'clock p. m. Monday, May 25.

Which was agreed to

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned until 4 o'clock p. m. Monday, May 25, 1903.

MONDAY, MAY 25, 1903.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, 32 Senators answered to their names, showing a quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal as corrected was approved.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Committee on Finance and Taxation---

Senate Bill No. 383:

A bill to be entitled an act for the assessment and collection of revenue.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Crill moved that the rules be waived, and Senate Bill No. 383 be placed on the calendar of bills on second reading and 300 copies printed.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

By Mr. Faulkner: