

# APPENDIX.

## Special Message of the Governor.

State of Florida,  
Executive Department,  
Tallahassee, May 4, 1905.

Hon. Park M. Trammell,

*President of the Senate:*

SIR—I have the honor to transmit herewith the report of the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of the State of Florida, in response to Senate Resolution No. 40, and respectfully ask your careful consideration thereof, and that it be spread upon the journals.

The trustees desire me to state that each member will be furnished with a full set of five volumes, containing the complete minutes of the Trustees from 1855 to December 31st, 1904, upon application to the Secretary of the Trustees.

Very respectfully,

N. B. BROWARD,  
Governor.

Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1905.

Hon. Park M. Trammell,

*President of the Senate.*

SIR—The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of the State of Florida respectfully submit the following in response to Senate Resolution No. 40:

1. The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of the State of Florida, have transmitted through the Governor to the Legislature of 1903 and 1905, printed reports containing the minutes in full of every meeting held by the Trustees and a complete statement of the receipts and disbursements. These reports show that the following payments were made to attorneys for professional services rendered the Trustees during the past four years:

1902.  
April 1—Judge B. S. Liddon, for legal opinion  
in re application for land by West Florida and  
West Coast Railroad .....\$ 75.00

June 20—R. W. Williams, attorney, for professional services <i>in re</i> opinion as to certain powers and duties of Trustees.....	150.00
June 20—T. L. Clarke, attorney, for professional services <i>in re</i> opinion as to certain powers and duties of Trustees .....	150.00
1903.	
Feb. 3—R. W. Williams, attorney, for retainer <i>in re</i> case of L. & N. R. R. Co. vs. Trustees.....	500.00
Feb. 3—John A. Henderson, attorney, for retainer <i>in re</i> case of L. & N. R. R. Co. vs. Trustees.....	500.00
Feb. 3—C. H. B. Floyd, for professional services in investigation of State lands.....	50.00
1904.	
Feb. 22—R. W. Williams, attorney, on account fee <i>in re</i> L. & N. R. R. Co. vs. Trustees.....	500.00
May 28—R. W. Williams, attorney, traveling expenses <i>in re</i> suits vs. Trustees.....	191.90
Aug. 29—R. W. Williams, attorney, on account of fees <i>in re</i> suits vs. Trustees.....	500.00
Oct. 6.—D. U. Fletcher, attorney, for professional services .....	350.00
Dec. 24—R. W. Williams, attorney, expenses attending U. S. Court at Tampa, etc.....	84.50

2. There are six important suits now pending in which the Trustees are either the complainants or defendants, and these suits involve large quantities of land and legal questions of vital interest to the Trustees and the citizens of the State of Florida.

The titles and nature of the suits briefly stated are as follows:

In the Circuit Court of the United States.

For the Northern District of Florida.

The Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company,

vs.

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund  
of the State of Florida,

and

The Atlantic Lumber Company, Neil G. Wade,  
and John A. Henderson,

Intervening Defendants.

W. A. BLOUNT of Pensacola,  
Solicitor for Complainant.

W. R. McGARRY, of Chicago,

W. W. HAMPTON, of Gainesville, and

T. L. CLARKE, of Monticello,

Solicitors for Intervenors.

The Bill of Complaint in this suit, filed April 19th, 1902, alleges that the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company is entitled to 1,447,321 acres of land under the provisions of Chapter No. 3335 of the Laws of Florida, in addition to the 1,772,679 acres heretofore conveyed to it, and denies any liability on its part for any portion of the indebtedness existing against the lands of the trust at the time of the passage of the land grant to the Pensacola and Atlantic Railroad Company.

In the Circuit Court, Second Judicial Circuit  
of Florida, in and for Leon County.  
The Florida East Coast Railway Company,

vs.

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund  
of the State of Florida.

FRED T. MYERS, of Tallahassee,  
Solicitor for Complainant.

The Bill of Complaint in this suit, filed November 12, 1903, alleges that the Florida East Coast Railway Company is entitled to 2,040,000 acres of land under the provisions of Chapter No. 4260 of the Laws of Florida, and seeks to have the Trustees enjoined from using the land granted to the State by the Act of Congress of September 28, 1850, for the purpose of drainage and reclamation as required by said Act of Congress.

In the Circuit Court,  
Second Judicial Circuit of Florida,  
In and for Leon County.

The Florida Coast Line Canal and  
Transportation Company,

vs.

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement  
Fund of the State of Florida.

COOPER & COOPER of Jacksonville,  
Solicitors for Complainants.

The Bill of Complaint in this suit, filed June 6, 1904, alleges that said Company is entitled under the provisions of Chapter No. 3641 and Chapter No. 3995 of the Laws of Florida, to 3,840 acres of land per mile for the entire

distance from St. Augustine to Biscayne Bay and seeks to enforce its alleged right by injunction.

Circuit Court of the United States.  
For the Northern District of Florida.  
Mathilde G. Kittel, individually and as  
Executrix of the last Will and Testament  
of Joseph J. Kittel, Deceased.

Complainant.

vs.

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement  
Fund of the State of Florida.

FRED T. MYERS of Tallahassee, and  
STRALEY & HASBROUCK, of New York  
Solicitors for Complainant.

The Bill of Complaint in this suit, filed December 14th, 1904, alleges that the said Mathilde G. Kittel, individually and as executrix of the last will and testament of Joseph J. Kittel, deceased, is entitled under the provisions of "An Act granting aid for the construction of the Thomasville, Tallahassee and Gulf Railroad," approved February 7th, 1883, to 72,349.81 acres of land and seeks to compel the Trustees to convey to her 72,349.18 acres of the land granted to the State by the Act of Congress of September 28th, 1850.

In the Circuit Court,  
Second Judicial Circuit of Florida,  
In and for Leon County.

The Trustees of the Internal Improvement  
Fund of the State of Florida

vs.

Mathilde K. Kittel, as Executrix of the  
last Will and Testament of Joseph J. Kittel,  
Deceased, and as sole Devisee under said Will.

STRALEY & HASBROUCK, of New York,  
FRED T. MYERS, of Tallahassee,  
Solicitors for Defendants.

These proceedings were commenced for the reason that the defendant was claiming and asserting ownership of about 40,000 acres of the land granted and patented to the State under the Act of Congress of September 28th,

1850, the title to which had not passed out of the Trustees. Bill, filed November 23rd, 1904. On January 14th, 1905, this suit was transferred to the United States Court for the Northern District of Florida.

In the United States Circuit Court  
For the Northern District of Florida.  
The Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company,  
vs.  
The Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund  
of the State of Florida.

W. A. BLOUNT,  
Solicitor for Complainant.

This is the second suit commenced by the L. & N. R. R. Company against the Trustees.

The bill of complaint was filed March 23rd, 1905, and seeks to accomplish more fully the purpose of the original suit first above mentioned.

3. The vital importance of the questions and the vast interests involved together with the array of legal talent employed against the Trustees, made it advisable that the Trustees should be provided with adequate legal advisors and counsel to fully represent the great trust placed in their hands. To that end the following counsel are now in the employ of the Trustees: R. W. Williams, of Tallahassee; W. S. Jennings, and Bryan and Bryan, of Jacksonville; and W. B. Farley of Marianna.

The compensation that these attorneys will receive has not been fixed, except in the case of Bryan and Bryan of Jacksonville, who are to receive three thousand dollars for their services for one year.

4. The vast area of land in the vicinity of Lake Okechobee known as the Everglades, has been pronounced by experts to be the richest in the world, and drainage is all that is required to make this land the most productive and fill it with industrious farmers, truck and fruit gardeners. The act of Congress of September 28th, 1850, under which the lands, commonly called swamp and overflowed lands, were granted to the State provides that the lands shall be drained and similar provision is made in the act of 1855, Chapter No. 610 of the Laws of Florida, and it is the purpose of the Trustees to carry out the requirements of these acts in so far as it is possible to do so.

with the lands that are now under the control of the Trustees. This will result in great good to the whole State and add, largely to its material wealth. The suits against the Trustees seek to defeat this purpose and are therefore inimical to the due administration of the trust and against the best interest of the citizens of the State of Florida.

5. The suits now pending involve all questions relating to the trust and the final determination of these suits will settle all matters in controversy including the question as to the indebtedness of certain railroad companies for lands conveyed to them.

In order that the Legislature may have information in a convenient form we transmit herewith lists of the railroads chartered by the Legislature since 1855; land grants claimed thereunder; land conveyed to railroad and canal companies; land now claimed by such companies; the number of acres of swamp and overflowed lands conveyed to the State; the number of acres of such land conveyed by the Trustees and the number of acres on hand which together with other important questions are involved in the present litigation.

We also present herewith, for the use of the Senate, five volumes containing the complete Minutes of the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of the State of Florida, from the date the trust was created in 1855, up to and including December 31st, 1904, with an index in each volume.

Very respectfully,  
N. B. BROWARD,  
B. E. McLIN,  
W. H. ELLIS,  
A. C. CROOM,  
W. V. KNOTT,

Trustees.

(Copy.)

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT FUND OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA.

WILLIAM S. JENNINGS, Governor.

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B. E. McLIN,

Commissioner and Salesman.

Trustees.

W. M. McINTOSH, JR., Secretary and Treasurer.

Tallahassee, July 28, 1904.

Hon. W. S. Jennings,

Governor of Florida,

Tallahassee, Fla.

DEAR SIR—In response to your communication of the 23rd instant, I beg to submit the following information from the records in reference to the condition of the railroads mentioned as to alternate section land grants, etc.

It appears that the following railroads were incorporated under the general law for the incorporation of railroads and canals, but that no plans and specifications containing details of construction were presented to the Trustees; hence there was no agreement that they should receive the benefit of the law relative to alternate sections.

(1). Jacksonville and Gulf Railroad. Incorporated December 11, 1899.

(2). Gainesville and Gulf Railroad. Incorporated December 16, 1882. Five miles of new road inspected and reported upon. This five miles extended beyond the old Gainesville, Rocky Point and Micanopy Railway, which was about 18 miles long and was acquired by the Gainesville and Gulf R. R. Co.

(3). Tavares and Gulf Railroad; 31 miles. Incorporated April 5, 1890.

(4). Pensacola and Atlantic Railroad; 20 miles. Incorporated October 5, 1893.

(5). Silver Springs and Western Railroad; 6 miles. Incorporated July 30, 1891.

Abstract of Acts of the Legislature Chartering Railroads in Florida, not including those mentioned in the Act of 1855—and other data relative thereto.—Continued.

Chapter <sup>a</sup>	Date of Act	NAME OF COMPANY.	Road to be completed in.	REMARKS.
4832	1899	Sanibel Island Ry. and Construction Co.....	5	Amended by Ch. 5031, extending time for completion to June 1, 1904.
4833	1899	Alafia, Manatee and Gulf Coast Ry. Co. ....	6	Amended by Ch. 5025, extending time for completion to May 15, 1905.
4836	1899	DeSoto, Lee and Gulf R. R. Co.....	4	Amended by Ch. 5030, extending time to June 1, 1903.
4837	1899	Western Peninsular R. R. Co. ....	6	Amended by Ch. 5029, extending time to June 1, 1905.
4838	1899	Atlantic and Gulf Railway Co. ....		Time for completion extended to June 1, 1901.
4839	1899	Florida and Georgia Railway Co. ....	No lt.	Grants alternate sections.
4840	1899	South American and International Railroad Company....		Also amended by Ch. 5026, extending time for completion to June 1, 1905, provided fee is paid in ten days.
4841	1899	West Florida and Gulf R. R. Co.....	4	Grants alternate sections under general law upon payment of charter fee. Also by Ch. 5028 extended time for two years from passage of act of 1901.
4842	1899	Jacksonville and Tampa Bay Improved Railway Co.....		Grants 5,000 acres per mile. Extends time for completion to 2 years from passage of Act of 1899, upon payment of charter fee.
4843	1899	Carrabelle, Tallahassee and Georgia R. R. Co.....	4	Also amended by Ch. 5022, extending time for completion to May 1, 1903.
4845	1899	South Western Railroad Company .....		Authorized to abandon road and take up rails. Amend all grants and directs a re-conveyance of all lands conveyed thereto by Trustees I. I. Fund.
5023	1901	Tallahassee Southeastern Ry .....		Amends charter and extends time for completion to Perry to Nov. 30, 1901, and to Suwannee River in Lafayette county, by Jan. 1, 1903. Failure forfeits all grants.
5024	1901	Atlantic and Gulf R. R. Co. ....	5	Extends time for completion to within five years from passage of Act of 1901.
5027	1901	Pan-American Railway .....		Amends charter and extends time for commencing work to June 4, 1905.
5032	1901	Florida Grand Trunk Ry. Co. ....		Amends charter and extends time for commencing work to June 1, 1903, and for completion to June 1, 1910.
5277	1903	Apalachicola Northern Ry. Co. ....		Not approved by Governor. Grants 5,000 acres per mile. To commence within two years and complete within four years.
5278	1903	St. Andrews, Quincy and Northern Ry. ....		Not approved by Governor. Grants 5,000 acres per mile. To commence within two years and at least 10 miles to be completed within four years from passage of Act.
5280	1903	Alafia, Manatee and Gulf Coast Ry.....		Not approved by Governor. Time for completion extended, first ten miles to May 15, 1905, and of the entire line to May 15, 1907.

Chapter	Date of Act	NAME OF COMPANY.	Road to be completed in.	REMARKS.
3980	1889	Manatee River Railway and Navigation Company.....		No land grant. Reasonable progress required.
3987	1889	Suwannee and Gulf R. R. Co.....		Amend Sec. 2 of Act incorporating approved, June 2, 1887, change of route. By Ch. 4112. To be completed in 1888.
3989	1889	Brooksville and Lacombee R. R. Co.....	3	Grants alternate sections.
3990	1889	DeSoto, Ft. Myers and Gulf R. R. Co.....	5	10,000 acres per mile. Amended by Ch. 4471, May 30, 1895. Commence in 2 years and complete in 5 years.
3991	1889	Wes' Florida and Alabama R. R. Co.....	2	Grants 7,500 per mile and alternate sections. Amended by Ch. 4113. Time extended to June 1, 1893.
3996	1889	St. Cloud Sugar Belt R. R. Co.....	5	May make up deficiency of alternate sections from any available land.
3899	1889	Alabama, Florida and Atlantic Ry. Co.....	5	10,000 acres per mile. Amended by Ch. 4109, approved June, 8, 1891, extending grant for two years from passage of Act.
3900	1889	Gainesville, Tallahassee and Western Railway Company..	5	4,000 acres per mile and alternate sections.
3901	1889	Western Railway Company of Florida.....		Alternate sections. Amended by Ch. 4111; time extended to within 3 years from Act of 1891.
3904	1889	Florida Midland and Georgia R. R. Co.....		Amend original Act of incorporation, Ch. 3337, and Act amending same, Ch. 3658, extending time 3 years. Ch. 4106 extending time to 1894.
4097	1891	Arcadia, Gulf Coast and Lakeland R. R. Co.....	2	Alternate sections and right to make up deficiency from swamp not otherwise appropriated.
4098	1891	Georgia, Florida and Western Ry Co.....	3	10,000 acres per mile and alternate sections.
4099	1891	Lakeland, Mohack and Tavares R. R. Co.....	4	2,000 acres permile and alternate sections.
4100	1891	Lake City and Albion Ry. Co.....	3	5,000 acres per mile and alternate sections.
4101	1891	Chipola and Chippewa Lake R. R. Co.....	3	10,000 acres per mile; Ch. 4257 gives 3 years additional.
4103	1891	Homosassa and Withlacoochee R. R. Co.....	2	6,000 acres per mile and alternate sections.
4104	1891	Tavares, Atlantic and Tampa Bay R. R. Co.....	7	10,000 acres per mile.
4108	1891	Georgia Southern and Florida R. R. Co.....		Confers corporate powers in this State. No land grant whatever
4110	1891	Carrabelle, Tallahassee and Georgia R. R. Co.....		See Chs 3643 3791 and 3842; 4264 and 4472.
4252	1893	Western Peninsular R. R. Co.....	7	Alternate sections within six mile limit and 10,000 acres.
4253	1893	Tampa and Western R. R. Co.....	5	3,000 acres per mile. Nine mile limit.
4254	1893	Bartow and Plant City R. R. Co.....		Alternate sections. Six mile limit.
4255	1893	Florida Grand Trunk Ry. Co.....	5	Ch. 4476 extends time for commencing and completion. 10,000 acres per mile.
4256	1893	Withlacoochee Railway Co.....		No land grant.
4258	1893	Withlacoochee, Plant City and Boca Grande R. R. (formerly H. and W. R. R. Co.....		All privileges granted in Ch. 4103. Shall not have any land for any road built after Sept. 1, 1897.
4259	1893	Florida Peninsular and Gulf R. R. Co.....	2	Re-enacts Act to incorporate Arcadia, Gulf Coast and Lakeland R. R. Co. Alternate sections six mile limit.
4260	1893	Jacksonville, St. Augustine and Indian River Ry. Co.....	5	8,000 acres for each mile south of Daytona. No benefit to be claimed for building after five years.
4262	1893	Gulf and Florida Northern R. R. Co.....	4	10,000 for each mile constructed. Extends time for completion to May 7, 1896.
4263	1893	South American and International R. R. Co.....	3	Alternate sections; six mile limit. 6,000 acres for each mile, subject to rights of creators and prior grantees of I. I. Fund. Ch. 4466 extends time for completion to May, 1900, provided \$250 00 is paid State.
4266	1893	South American and International R. R. Co.....		10,000 acres per mile as each 5 miles is built.
4267	1893	Atlantic, Suwannee River and Gulf R. R. Co.....	7	5,000 acres per mile and alternate sections.
4465	1895	Florida Western R. R. Co.....		7,000 acres per mile. To commence in 2 years.
4467	1895	DeSoto, Lee and Gulf Ry. Co.....		5,000 acres per mile and alternate sections. To commence within two years. Amended by Ch. 4627.
4468	1895	Jacksonville and Tampa Bay Improved R. R.....		10,000 acres and alternate sections, with right to make up deficiency.
4469	1895	Western Peninsular R. R. Co.....	7	10,000 acres and alternate sections.
4474	1895	Atlantic and Gulf Ry. Co.....	2	10,000 acres and alternate sections. By Ch. 4620.
4475	1895	Gainesville and Gulf Ry. Co.....	6	Continues grant made to G. S. and F. Ry. Co., and extends time for completion to within four years from passage of Act of 1895. By Ch. 4624.
4477	1895	Tallahassee Southeastern Ry. Co.....		5,000 acres per mile. To be completed within two years from passage of Act of 1895. Amended by 4614.
4478	1895	Fernandina Western Railway.....		5,000 acres per mile. Commence in 2 years from Act of 1895. Amended by Ch. 4626, extending time to 2 years from passage of Act of 1897.
4479	1895	Titusville, Canaveral and Peninsular Ry. Co.....		5,000 acres per mile and alternate sections.
4613	1897	Tallahassee and Central Florida Railroad Company.....	4	6,000 acres per mile and alternate sections.
4619	1897	Alafia, Manatee and Gulf Coast Ry. Co.....	6	No land grant.
4621	1897	Sanibel Island Ry. and Construction Co.....	5	Extends privileges, etc.
4622	1897	Carrabelle, Tallahassee and Georgia R. R. Co.....	2	10,000 acres and alternate sections.
4625	1897	West Florida Gulf Coast R. R. Co.....	4	

in Florida, not including those mentioned in the Act of 1855—and other data relative thereto.—Continued.

Chapter	Date of Act	NAME OF COMPANY.	Road to be completed in.	REMARKS.
3654	1885	Chattahoochee and Alabama R. R.....	7	Alternate sections within 20 miles.
3655	1885	Live Oak and White Springs R. R. Co.....	3	Alternate sections within 20 miles.
3653	1885	Santa Fe and St. Johns R. R. Co.....	5	Alternate sections. Amended by Ch. 3998, extending time three years.
3650	1885	St. Johns & Halifax R. R. Co.....		Alternate sections and deficiency within 20 miles.
3656	1885	Wildwood, Lady Lake, Withlacoochee and Gulf Railway Company .....	5	Alternate sections and deficiency within 20 miles.
3797	1887	Alabama Midland Ry Co.....		No grant.
3802	1887	Atlantic and Gulf R. R. and Steamboat Co.....	3	No grant.
3801	1887	Eufaula and St. Andrews Bay Air Line Railroad Company .....	3	Mixed grant. Not available.
3800	1887	Georgia, Florida and Key West Ry. Co.....	5	Alternate sections. No special grant.
3798	1887	Key of the Gulf R. R. Co.....	5	Alternate sections Amended Ch. 3903, extending completion two years.
3804	1887	Pensacola and Birmingham R. R. Co.....	2	Alternate sections. Reasonable progress.
3803	1887	St. Johns River, Lake Wier and Gulf Railroad Company..	5	Alternate sections. Amended Ch. 3988, time extended five years.
3799	1887	Suwannee and Gulf Railroad Co.....	4	Alternate sections. Amended Ch. 3987, changing route only.

Chapter 3911 provides for the forfeiture of certain lands heretofore granted by the State of Florida for the purpose of aiding in the construction of railroads and cutting canals, and provides that where any such railroad has not been constructed or canal cut within the time specified in the Act making the grant, the lands so granted are hereby declared forfeited to the State and the State resumes title thereto; that no lands declared forfeited under the provision thereof shall enure to the benefit of any other corporation to which lands may have been granted by the State; that all lists, certificates or reservations made by the Trustees for the benefit of any corporation contrary to the provisions of this law are hereby declared inoperative and void, and other provisions therein contained.

..... of the Legislature chartering railroads in Florida, not including those mentioned in the Act of 1855—and other data relative thereto.

Chapter	Date of Act	NAME OF COMPANY.	Road to be completed in.	REMARKS.
3183	1879	Black Creek and Starke R. R. and Steamboat Company..	5	No special land grant.
3069	1877	Pensacola R. R. Co., successor to Pensacola and Louisville R. R. Co.....		
319	1850	Alabama and Florida R. R. Co.....		Land grant satisfied.
3066	1877	Sterling and Jacksonville R. R. Co.....	5	Extended by Chas. 319, 320, 483, 776, 784, 885, 943, 1149, 1404 and 1915. Grant satisfied.
3173	1879	Chattahoochee and Pensacola R. R. Co.....	7	No land grant.
3167	1879	Gainesville, Ocala and Charlotte Harbor Railroad Co....	7	Alternate sections within ten mile limit, and 10,000 acres.
3168	1879	Tampa, Peace Creek and St. Johns River Railroad Co....	7	Alternate sections within ten mile limit, and 10,000 acres.
3169	1879	St. Johns and Lake Eustis Ry. Co.....	2	Alternate sections within ten mile limit, and 10,000 acres.
3170	1879	Silver Springs, Ocala and Gulf R. R. Co.....	7	Alternate sections only. Amended by Ch. 3329.
3171	1879	Jacksonville, St. Augustine and Indian River Railroad Company .....	4	Alternate sections within ten mile limit, and 10,000 acres. Amended by Chs 3649 and 3902. *
3174	1879	Midland Railway, Drainage and Canal Company.....	10 mo.	Alternate sections only.
3340	1881	Blue Springs, Orange City and Atlantic Railroad Co.....	2	No land grant.
3339	1881	Carrabelle and Thomasville R. R. Co.....	2	No land grant.
3228	1881	East Florida Railway Co.....	No. It.	Grants alternate sections with deficiency within 15 mile limit. Amended by Ch. 3485 granting right to deficiency in alternate sections.
3337	1881	Florida Midland and Georgia R. R. Co.....	5	Alternate sections and 6,000 acres per mile. Amended by Ch. 3648 extending time 5 yrs By Ch. 3904 extending time three years.
3330	1881	Green Cove Springs and Melrose R. R. Co.....	3	Alternate sections. Amended Ch. 3495 deficiency in alternate sections. By Ch. 3644 extending time of completion to 1886. By Ch. 3996, extending time to July, 1888.
3901	1889	Western Railway Company .....	2	Alternate sections. Granted privilege of completing Green Cove Springs and Melrose R. R.
3338	1881	Jacksonville, St. Augustine and Halifax River Ry. Co....	2	Alternate sections and indemnity within 15 mile limit. Amended by Chas. 3484, 3492, with deficiency subject to debts and prior grants. By Ch 3645, date of completion extended to 1886.
3341	1881	Monticello and Georgia R. R. Co.....	No It.	Alternate sections granted. Amended by Ch. 3794 by extending provisions to S., F. and W. R. R. Co.
3342	1881	Okahumpkee and Panasofkee R. R. Co.....	5	Alternate sections.
3332	1881	Orange Ridge, Deland and Atlantic R. R. Co.....	2	Alternate sections and 5,000 acres per mile within 20 miles of the line. Amended by Ch. 3646, time extended to January 1, 1888.
3331	1881	Palatka and Indian River Ry Co.....	5	Alternate sections, and 6,000 acres per mile.
3335	1881	Pensacola and Atlantic R. R. Co.....	7	Alternate sections and 20,000 acres per mile, subject to provisions of Act. *
3334	1881	Live Oak and Rowlands Bluff R. R. Co.....	3	Alternate sections. Amended by Ch. 3484. Deficiency in alternate sections.
3336	1881	Tropical Peninsular R. R. Co.....	4	Alternate sections and 20,000 acres per mile. Amended Ch. 3490, extending time four years.
3497	1883	Fernandina and Amelia Beach Ry. Co.....		No grant.
3498	1883	Ft. Meade, Keystone and Walk-in-the-Water Railroad Co.	5	Alternate sections.
3496	1883	International R. R. and Steamship Company.....	7	Alternate sections and 15,000 acres per mile.
3488	1883	Seville and Halifax River R. R. Co.....	2	Alternate sections and 15,000 acres per mile. Amended by Ch. 3642, time of completion extended to February, 1887.
3491	1883	South Florida Railroad Co.....	To Tampa by Jan. 1, 1885.	Alternate section and right to make up deficiency in full. Amended by Ch. 3789 as to gauge of track.
3499	1883	Tavares, Orlando and Atlantic R. R. Co.....	18 m.	Alternate sections.
3494	1883	Thomasville, Tallahassee and Gulf Railroad Company..	3	15,000 acres per mile limited to lands N. of Lat. 29 and W. of Long. 82½. Amended by Ch. 3643, extending time 5 yrs. By Ch. 3791, extending completion one year.
3651	1885	Apalachicola and Alabama R. R. Co.....	5	Alternate sections. Amended by Ch. 3792. Completion extended five years.
3640	1885	Jacksonville and Atlantic R. R. Co.....	No It.	Alternate sections.
3652	1885	Florida Midland R. R. Co.....	1	Alternate sections without deficiency. Amended by Ch. 3795, extending time for completion one year.

id grant unsettled.

No. 1.

(6). Brooksville, Hudson and Tampa Railway (now called Brooksville and Hudson Railroad); 19 miles. Incorporated October 7, 1902.

(7). Suwannee and San Pedro Railroad; 36 miles. Incorporated July 17, 1899.

(8). Pensacola, Alabama and Tennessee Railroad; 15 miles. Incorporated November 20, 1886.

(9). Live Oak and Gulf Railroad; 18 miles. Incorporated February 5, 1895.

(10). Yellow River Railroad; 25 miles. Incorporated November 29, 1877.

The following railroads were incorporated in Georgia:

(11). Georgia Southern and Florida Railroad; 116 miles. Copy of articles filed in office of the Secretary of State August 26, 1889. This railroad was consolidated with the Macon and Florida Air Line Railway, which was chartered by the State of Florida March 13, 1885. The resolution of consolidation was filed in the office of the Secretary of State November 1, 1889, both lines to be known thereafter as the Georgia Southern and Florida Railroad. Special Act of Legislature, Chapter 4108 of 1891, confirms franchise.

(12). Georgia, Florida and Alabama Railroad; 24 miles. Incorporated in Georgia as the Georgia Pine Railroad and name changed. Copies filed in office of Secretary of State December 11, 1900 and April 29, 1901.

(13). Valdosta Southern Railroad; 13 miles. Incorporated in Georgia.

The following railroads do not appear to have been incorporated:

(14). South Georgia Railway; 12 miles.

(15). Pensacola and Pedro Railroad; 8 miles.

(16). The Florida and Georgia Railroad was chartered by Special Act of the Legislature of 1899, Chapter 4839 of the Laws of Florida, with grant of alternate sections; but no plans and specifications showing details of construction were filed with the Trustees.

(17). The Atlantic, Suwannee River and Gulf Railroad was chartered by Chapter 4267, Laws of Florida, approved May 24, 1893, which grants 10,000 acres per mile, to be conveyed as fast as each five miles is completed. Specifications of construction were filed July 19, 1893.

On December 9, 1893, the report of the Engineer was submitted as to completion of the first five miles having been made August 17, 1893, and certificates were ordered to be issued for 50,000 acres of land. On March 24, 1894, a report of the engineer was submitted as to the completion of the second, third and fourth sections of five miles each which report was dated March 15, 1894, and certificates were ordered to be issued for 150,000 acres additional, which made 200,000 acres altogether covered by certificates.

(18). The Tallahassee Southeastern Railroad Company (formerly Gainesville, Tallahassee and Western and Georgia, Florida and Western).

The Gainesville, Tallahassee and Western Railway Company was originally incorporated under the general law. Chapter 3900, laws, approved May 31, 1889, grants 4,000 acres per mile and alternate sections. Required to build twenty miles in two years, and complete whole line by January 1, 1894.

The Georgia, Florida and Western Railway Co. Chapter 4098, laws, approved May 7, 1891, grants 10,000 acres per mile and alternate sections. Required to commence work within ten days, build 20 miles in one year and complete within three years.

The Tallahassee Southeastern Railway Co. Chapter 4477, laws, approved May 30, 1895, continues grant heretofore made to Georgia, Florida and Western for the benefit of the T. S. E. and extends time for completion to within four years from the passage of the Act of 1895. An agreement was subsequently entered into with the Trustees which was not carried out, and that failure, as well as the lapse of the grant, caused the trustees to declare this charter forfeited in so far as it related to land grants of any kind.

The Georgia, Florida and Western Railroad Co. on June 22, 1891, accepted the provisions of the I. I. Act, and filed details of construction and plat of survey, and asked that the reservation made prior to that time to the Gainesville, Tallahassee and Western Railroad Co. be changed to the Georgia, Florida and Western Railroad Company; whereupon a resolution was adopted reserving the odd numbered sections of land from Tallahassee to the Suwannee river. On January 23, 1899, a request

was made for an inspection of twenty miles of the Tallahassee Southeastern Railroad and O. Bernard was appointed State Engineer for the purpose of making such inspection. On February 6, 1899, O. Bernard, State Engineer, reported the completion of twenty miles of road.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

W. M. McINTOSH, JR.,  
Secretary Trustees I. I. Fund.

No. 7.

Statement showing date of completion of construction of the following named railroads, as shown by the State Engineer's report on file with the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of Florida. Also the date of agreement between the Trustees of the I. I. Fund and the Board of Directors of such railroad relative to the plans and specifications of the construction of such road under Section 434, Revised Statutes.

Name of Railroad Company	Date of Completion of Construction.	Date of Commencement of Construction.	Date of Agreement Between Trustees I. I. Fund and Board of Directors of such Road Relative to Construction.	Mileage.	Acres of Alternate Sections Deeded or Claimed Under General Law.	Remarks
Atlantic, Suwannee & Gulf R. R.....	Unknown .....	Unknown .....	July 19, 1893....	20	None .....	20 miles inspected and certificates issued. Claims 200,000 acres under special grant Chap. 4267 of '93 as per certificates.
Live Oak & Gulf Ry. Co.....	Unknown .....	Unknown .....	No agreement ...	18	None .....	
Yellow River Railroad Co.....	Unknown .....	Unknown .....	No agreement ...	25	None .....	State Engineer reported Dec. 9, 1895, completion of five miles of road.
Georgia Southern & Florida.....	Unknown .....	Unknown .....	No agreement ...	116	None .....	
Jacksonville & Southwestern.....	Unknown .....	Unknown .....	No agreement ...	86	None .....	
Gainesville & Gulf R. R. Co.....	Unknown .....	Unknown .....	No agreement ...	5	None .....	
Tavares & Gulf R. R. Co.....	Unknown .....	Unknown .....	No agreement ...	31	None .....	
Georgia, Fla. & Alabama R. R.....	Unknown .....	Unknown .....	No agreement ...	24	None .....	
Tallahassee Southeastern .....	Unknown .....	Unknown .....	June 22, 1891 ....	20	None .....	
Valdosta Southern R. R. Co.....	Unknown .....	Unknown .....	No agreement ...	13	None .....	
Florida & Georgia R. R. Co.....	Unknown .....	Unknown .....	No agreement ...	16	None .....	
South Georgia Ry. Co.....	Unknown .....	Unknown .....	No agreement ...	12	None .....	
Pensacola & Perdido R. R. Co.....	Unknown .....	Unknown .....	No agreement ...	8	None .....	
Pensacola & Andalusia R. R. Co.....	Unknown .....	Unknown .....	No agreement ...	20	None .....	
Silver Springs & Western .....	Unknown .....	Unknown .....	No agreement ...	6	None .....	
Brooksville & Hudson R. R.....	Unknown .....	Unknown .....	No agreement ...	19	None .....	
Suwannee & San Pedro R. R.....	Unknown .....	Unknown .....	No agreement ...	36	None .....	
Pensacola, Alabama and Tennessee Railroad Co.....	Unknown .....	Unknown .....	No agreement ...	15	None .....	



Statement of lands in certificates issued by Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund (to August 6, 1904) to Railroad Companies.

Name of Company.	Total amount in certificate.	Amount deeded	Amount patented to the State and not deeded.	Amount not patented to the State and not deeded, and deeded to settlers, and Henderson and Wailes.
Florida Southern .....	148,614.81	16,903.63	2,776.74	128,934.44
Pensacola and Atlantic .....	777,379.64	357,361.86	405,500.89	14,516.89
Silver Springs, Ocala & Gulf R. R.:	155,743.82		91,574.31	64,169.51
Palatka & Indian River.....	134,400.00		134,400.00	
Carrabelle, Tallahassee & G. R. R.:	108,971.18	36,622.00	37,500.64	34,848.54
Total .....	1,325,109.45	410,887.47	671,752.58	242,469.38

Tallahassee, Fla., Aug. 6, 1904.

I, C. B. Gwynn, Chief Clerk in the office of Commissioner of Agriculture of the State of Florida, hereby certify that I have made a personal examination of the records and files in the office of Commissioner of Agriculture and prepared from said records, the foregoing statement of lands in certificates issued by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of Florida to Railroad Companies prior to August 6th, 1904, which is a true and correct statement.

C. B. GWYNN,  
Chief Clerk in Office Commissioner Agriculture State Florida.

Statement of Lands Claimed Under Grants to Railroads, January 1st, 1903.

Miles.	Acres per Mile.	Total Granted.	Total Conveyed.	Balance Claimed.	Name of Company.
61.00	20,000	3,220,000.00	2,202,623.01	1,017,376.99	Pensacola and Atlantic.
82.22	10,000	2,882,200.00	2,580,209.72	301,990.28	Florida Southern.
55.00	10,000	550,000.00	330,303.38	19,696.62	Jacksonville, Tampa and Key West.
70.00	6,000	420,000.00	419,677.45	322.55	Palatka and Indian River.
65.15	10,000	651,500.00	494,145.45	159,354.55	Silver Springs, Ocala and Gulf.
48.82	15,000	735,300.00	219,294.78	503,005.22	Carrabelle, Tallahassee and Georgia, (formerly the Augusta, Tallahassee and Gulf).
28 1-3	5,000	141,666.66	50,890.74	90,775.92	Blue Springs, Orange City and Atlantic.
255	8,000	2,040,000.00	none	2,040,000.00	Jacksonville, St. Augustine and Indian River R. R. Co.
.....	10,000	.....	none certf.		Atlantic, Suwannee River and Gulf R. R. Company.
No. 6.					

Statement Showing Status of all "Swamp and Overflowed Lands" Patented to State Aug. 6, 1904.

Number of acres swamp and overflowed lands patented to the State to August 6th, 1904. ....	20,133,837.42
Number of acres deeded and conveyed to railroad companies .....	8,242,317.69
Number of acres deeded to canal and drainage companies .....	2,252,816.96
Number of acres deeded (E. N. Dickerson in 1867 for coupons on Florida R. R. bonds, which fell due prior to 1866) .....	248,602.98
Number of acres deeded (Wm. E. Jackson in 1868 for coupons on Florida, Atlantic and Gulf Central R. R.)...	113,064.80
Number of acres deeded in Disston sale .....	4,000,000.00
Number acres deeded others than under legislative enactment as above stated...	2,200,130.31
<b>Total disposed of prior to August 6th, 1904.....</b>	<b>17,056,932.74</b>
<b>Leaving balance on hand August 6th, 1904. ....</b>	<b>3,076,904.68</b>

Number of acres approved by United States to Railroads in Florida, under Act of Congress of May 17, 1856.

Name of Railroad.	Acres.
Alabama & Florida (from Pensacola to Alabama line) .....	166,691.08
Pensacola & Georgia (from Lake City to Pensacola) .....	1,273,105.37

Statement of Lands Granted and Conveyed to Canal and Drainage Companies, Aug. 6, 1904.

Number of acres GRANTED to Canal and Drainage Companies under legislative enactment to be transferred out of Swamp and Overflowed lands patented to the State.

Number of acres DEEDED to Canal and Drainage Companies under Legislative Enactment, to be transferred out of Swamp and Overflowed Lands patented to the State.

Name of Company.	Acres Under Special Grant.	Acres under Special Grant Being Total Deeded.		Balance claimed.
		Swamp and Over- flowed lands in ten miles.		
Florida Coast Line Canal and Transportation Company. ....	1,119,186.92	595,778.69		523,408.23
Atlantic & Gulf Coast Canal and Okeechobee Land Co. ....	2,000,000.00	1,652,711.80		347,288.20
Etomiah Canal & Drainage Co.....	4,326.47			
<b>Total</b> .....	<u>3,119,186.92</u>		<u>2,252,816.96</u>	<u>870,696.43</u>

I, C. B. Gwynn, Chief Clerk in office of Commissioner of Agriculture of the State of Florida, hereby certify that I have made a personal examination of the records and files in the office of Commissioner of Agriculture and prepared from said records the foregoing statement of lands, granted and conveyed to canals and drainage companies, prior to August 6, 1904, which is a true and correct statement.

C. B. GWYNN,  
Chief Clerk in Com. Agr.

Tallahassee, Fla., August 6, 1904.  
No. 11.

Florida Atlantic & Gulf Cen. (from Jacksonville to Lake City) .....	29,103.74
Florida Railroad (from Fernandina to Cedar Key) .....	290,183.28
Florida Central & Peninsular (from Waldo to Tampa) .....	436,073.48
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Total acres conveyed .....	2,195,156.95

No. 12

Statement Showing the Status of all Swamp and Overflowed Lands Patented to the State Prior to Jan. 1, 1905, Under Act of Congress of Sept. 28, 1850.

Number of acres patented to the State .....	20,133,900.67
Number of acres conveyed to railroad companies .....	8,242,317.69
Number of acres deeded to canal and drainage companies .....	2,276,173.14
Number of acres deeded E. N. Dickerson in 1867 for coupons on Florida R. R. bonds, which fell due prior to 1866 .....	248,602.98
Number of acres deeded Wm. E. Jackson in 1868 for coupons on Florida Atlantic and Gulf Central R. R. bonds .....	113,064.80
Wells & Randolph, agents of the State to select swamp and overflowed lands, under tract with the Governor of Florida of Nov. 8, 1851, received the proceeds from sale of about .....	100,000.00
Number of acres deeded on account of L. G. Dennis, agent of the State to procure and receive patents for swamp and overflowed lands at Washington, under contract with the Governor of Florida of Nov. 10, 1875 (see orders of trustees of July 5, 1881, and April 14, 1883) ...	5,800.27
Number of acres deeded on account of Williams & Swann, agents of the State, to select swamp and overflowed lands under contract with the Trustees of the Int. Imp. Fund of March 5, 1871 .....	39,480.27

(Other lands were deeded on account of W. & S. under above contract, belonging to the Int. Imp. Fund proper, embracing 4,837.98 acres for \$6,155.73, are not embraced in this statement, as they were not swamp and overflowed lands.)

Number of acres deeded on account of Williams, Swann and Corley, agents of the State to select swamp and overflowed lands under contract with the Trustees of the Int. Imp. Fund of May 18, 1873. .... 13,542.61

(Other lands were deeded on account of W., S. & C., under above contract, belonging to the Int. Imp. Fund proper, amounting to 15,163.56 acres, which are not embraced in this statement, as they were not swamp and overflowed lands.)

Number of acres deeded on account of Sydney I. Wailes, agent of the State to procure patents for swamp and overflowed lands at Washington, under contracts with the Trustees of the Int. Imp. Fund of April 13 and Oct. 19, 1878. .... 224,562.80

Number of acres deeded on account of John A. Henderson, agent of the State, to select swamp and overflowed lands under contract with the Trustees of the Int. Imp. Fund of March 15 1884 ..... 161,134.68  
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(Other lands were deeded on account of J. A. Henderson, amounting to 3,685.72 acres, which have not been patented and are not embraced in this statement, as they are not patented.)

Number of acres deeded on account of S. W. Teague, agent of the State to select swamp and overflowed lands under contract with the Trustees of the Int. Imp. Fund. of March 22, 1902 .....	5,778.37	
Number of acres deeded in Disston sale .....	4,000,000.00	
Number of acres deeded to all other persons .....	1,723,203.60	
Total disposed of.....		17,153,661.21
Leaving balance on hand, Jan. 1, 1905 .....		2,980,239.43
No. 13.		