

FRIDAY, MAY 3, 1907.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

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

Mr. President, Senators Adams, Alford, Baker, Beard, Broome, Buckman, Canova, Clarke, Cone, Cottrell, Crane, Crews, Crill, Davis, Girardeau, Henderson, Hudson, Humphries, Jackson, Leggett, McCreary, Massey, Neel, Sams, Trammell, Willis, Withers, West (1st District), West (4th District), Zim—31.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The Journal was corrected and approved.

Mr. West of First in the chair.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By request.

By Mr. Baker—

Senate Bill No. 326:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Inez Abernethy, Madeline Keipp, Bertha M. Foster, Virginia E. Hardaway and the Cable Piano Company.

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

By Mr. Neel—

Senate Bill No. 327:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the relief of Enoch Catoe, private, Company "K," First Infantry, Florida State Troops.

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

By Mr. Neel—

Senate Bill No. 328:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide that a conveyance

or incumbrance of real estate taken with notice of a prior lease of the turpentine or timber privileges on such real estate, or of a prior license to enter upon such real estate for the purpose of farming turpentine or cutting timber therefrom, shall take such real estate charged with such lease or license and subject to all the rights and privileges created by such lease or license.

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

By Mr. Broome—

Senate Bill No. 329 :

A bill to be entitled an act to abolish the present municipal government of the town of Quincy in the County of Gadsden, and State of Florida, and to establish, organize and constitute a municipality to be known and designated as the City of Quincy, and to define its territorial boundaries, to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Broome moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 329 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 329 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Broome moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 329 be read a third time and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 329 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Adams, Alford, Baker, Beard, Broome, Buckman, Canova, Clarke, Cone, Cottrell, Crane, Crews, Crill, Davis, Girardeau, Henderson, Hudson, Humphries, Jackson, Leggett, McCreary, Massey, Neel, Sams, Trammell, Withers, West (1st District), West (4th District), Zim—30.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Mr. Broome moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 329 be immediately certified to the House of Representatives.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.
And Senate Bill No. 329 was so certified.

MESSAGES FROM HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 2, 1907.

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives that the Senate has passed—

House Bill No. 216:

A bill to be entitled an act to legalize and validate all warrants heretofore issued by the Board of County Commissioners of Marion County for work and material in construction of the court house in said county.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

J. G. KELLUM,
Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 216, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Baker moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 216 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 216 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Baker moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 216 be read a third time and put upon its passage, which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 216 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Adams, Alford, Baker, Beard, Broome, Buckman, Canova, Clarke, Cone, Cottrell,

Crane, Crews, Davis, Girardeau, Henderson, Hudson, Humphries, Jackson, Leggett, McCreary, Massey, Neel, Trammell, West (1st District), West (4th District), Zim—27.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, the title as stated.

Also the following message was read.

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 2, 1907.

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,

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. 8:

A bill to be entitled an act relating to the powers and duties of the Railroad Commissioners, with reference to the condition and values of the physical properties and equipments of railroad companies and other common carriers.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

J. G. KELLUM,

Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 8, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. F. P. Cone, Chairman of the Committee on Organized Labor, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., May 2, 1907.

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Organized Labor, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 290:

A bill to be entitled an act to create a Commissioner of a Bureau of Labor and Industrial Statistics, fixing his compensation, prescribing his powers and duties, and providing for his obtaining statistics and information relating to labor, and fixing penalties for any owner, operator, manager or foreman of any factory or workshop impeding or preventing such Commissioner in the full and free performance of his duties as prescribed by law.

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

Very respectfully,

F. P. CONE,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 290, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Neel, Chairman of the Committee on State Affairs, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 2, 1907.

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 108:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for a monument to be erected on the battlefield of Chickamauga, in memory of the soldiers of Florida who took part in that battle.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do pass, with the following amendment:

Strike on the words "ten thousand" in line 2 of Section 1 and insert in lieu thereof the following, "fifteen thousand."

Very respectfully,

JOHN NEEL,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 108, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

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

Senate Chamber,

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Claims, to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 314:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Lee Daniell. Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,
W. K. JACKSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 314, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Buckman, Chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 1, 1907.

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 202:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize married women who have become free dealers, in accordance with the Statutes of the State of Florida, to convey any property belonging to them without joinder in said conveyance of their husbands, and to validate all such conveyances heretofore made.

Beget to advise that they have carefully considered said bill and recommend that it do pass with the following amendment:

Committee Amendment No. 1—In line 1, Section 1, after the word "been" insert the words "heretofore or shall be hereafter."

Respectfully,
H. H. BUCKMAN,
Chairman.

And Senate Bill No. 202 as amended by the committee, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 1, 1907.

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 207:

A bill to be entitled an act prescribing that each member of the Board of County Commissioners of each county in the State of Florida shall, before entering upon the duties of his office, give a good and sufficient bond, and prescribing a penalty for failure thereof.

Beg to advise that they have carefully considered said bill and recommend that it do pass with the following amendments:

Committee Amendment No. 1—In the last line of the title of said bill strike out the words “and prescribing a penalty for failure thereof.”

Committee Amendment No. 2—In Section 1, fourth line, strike out the word “qualified.”

Committee Amendment No. 3—In Section 1, sixth line, strike out the word “clerk,” and insert in lieu thereof the word “judge.”

Committee Amendment No. 4—Strike out all of Section 2.

Committee Amendment No. 5—Make Section 3 read Section 2.

Very respectfully,

H. H. BUCKMAN,
Chairman.

And Senate Bill No. 207 with the committee amendments, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 1, 1907.

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 267:

A bill to be entitled an act to prescribe the time for holding the terms of the Circuit Court in and for the Eighth Judicial Circuit of the State of Florida, and to repeal Chapter 5397, Acts of 1905, approved May 26, 1905, and Section 1812 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the time for holding terms of the Circuit Court in the Eighth Judicial Circuit.

Beg to advise that they have carefully considered said bill, and recommend that it do pass, with the following amendment:

In Section 1, line 1, strike out the words "from and and after the passage of this act."

Very respectfully,

H. H. BUCKMAN,
Chairman.

And Senate Bill No. 267 with the committee amendments, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Second Reading.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 1, 1907.

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 231:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 3232, Chapter 2 of the General Laws of the State of Florida, relating to enticing laborers and servants, beg to advise that they have carefully considered said bill and recommend that it do pass, with the following amendments:

Committee Amendment No. 1:

After the word "enticing" in the title insert the word "tenants."

Committee Amendment No. 2:

At the beginning of Section 1 strike out the word "who-soever" and insert in lieu thereof the word "whoever."

Committee Amendment No. 3:

After the word "enticing" in Section 1, Line 2, insert the words "tenants, laborers and."

Respectfully,

H. H. BUCKMAN,
Chairman.

And Senate Bill No. 231, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1907.

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,
President of the Senate,

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 94:

A bill to be entitled an act for the improvement of public roads and bridges in Volusia County; providing for the employment of convicts under certain conditions, and for the levy and collection of a road and bridge tax, and the means of its expenditure.

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

Very respectfully,

S. W. CLARKE,
Chairman Committee on Engrossed Bills.

And Senate Bill No. 94, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

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

Senate Chamber.

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Temperance, to whom was referred—

Senate Joint Resolution No. 167:

A bill to be entitled an act proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Florida.

Have had the same under consideration and report same without recommendation.

Very Respectfully,

J. H. HUMPHRIES,
 Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Joint Resolution No. 167, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Frank Adams, Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber.

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,
President of the Senate..

Sir:

Your Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 320:

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate four thousand dollars to aid the West Florida Fair Association in making a display of the Agricultural resources of the State at the West Florida Fair, to be held at DeFuniak Springs, Florida, in the fall of 1907 and 1908, and to provide for the payment thereof.

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

Very respectfully,

FRANK ADAMS,
 Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 320, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Frank Adams, Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber.

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 221:

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars annually for two years to aid the Florida State Mid-Winter Fair Association in making a display of the agricultural, mineral, industrial, horticultural, forestry, live stock and other resources of the State of Florida; to encourage and promote immigration from other States of the United States; also foreign countries, and to influence competition among the various producers that will tend to improve the character of all products, etc.

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

Very respectfully,
FRANK ADAMS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 221, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Henderson, chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 209:

(Which was recommitted.)

A bill to be entitled an act prescribing that each member elect of the Board of Public Instruction of each county in this State shall give a good and sufficient bond, and prescribing a penalty for failure thereof.

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

Very respectfully,
JOHN W. HENDERSON,
 Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 209, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Henderson, chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred—
 Senate Bill No. 304:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 5387, Laws of Florida, entitled "An act empowering County Boards of Public Instruction and Trustees of Special Tax School Districts to establish kindergartens under certain conditions."

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

Very respectfully,
JOHN W. HENDERSON,
 Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 304, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Henderson, chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred—
 Senate Bill No. 303:

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate the salaries of County Superintendents of Public Instruction.

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

Very respectfully,
 JOHN W. HENDERSON,
 Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 303, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Henderson, chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred—
 Senate Bill No. 294:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide scholarships in the University of the State of Florida and in the Florida Female College, to prescribe conditions of entrance and to make appropriations therefor.

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

Very respectfully,
 JOHN W. HENDERSON,
 Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 294, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Henderson, chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred—
 Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 15:

A resolution asking that the State Board of Education be directed and authorized to execute a deed to the said City of Lake City of 255 acres of land more or less, as

well as 100 acres of land donated by the City of Lake City to the institution upon its establishment.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend the following amendment as a substitute thereof:

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

Very respectfully,

JOHN W. HENDERSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 15, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Resolutions on Second Reading.

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

Senate Chamber,

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 16:

A bill to be entitled an act to create a State School Book Commission and to procure for use in the public schools of the State of Florida a uniform series of text books, and to define the duties and powers of said Commission, to make preparations for carrying this act into effect and providing penalties for violation of same.

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

Very respectfully,

JOHN W. HENDERSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 16, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

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

Senate Chamber,

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 34:

A bill to be entitled an act constituting a State Text Book Commission and directing and empowering said 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 it do not pass.

Very respectfully,
JOHN W. HENDERSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 34, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Senate Chamber,

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

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

An act to allow fishing with seines in certain "dead" or "wet weather" lakes in the northern part of Brevard County.

Also—

A memorial to the Congress of the United States requesting an appropriation for Black Water Bay and Black Water River in Santa Rosa County, Florida.

Also—

An act authorizing the City of Tallahassee to acquire by the exercise of the right of eminent domain, the waterworks plant, franchises and other property of Tallahassee Waterworks Company, and providing the manner of procedure therein.

Also—

Memorial to Congress asking for a survey of a canal across the peninsula of Florida from the Atlantic Ocean to the Gulf of Mexico by way of the St. Johns River up to the mouth of the Wekiva River, thence to Lake Eustis, Lake Harris, Lake Dunham, Chitta Chatta, Lake Okahumpka, Clay Drean, north side of Panascoffkee Lake, Dead River (commonly called outlet) into the Withlacoochee River, to some suitable point on the Gulf of Mexico.

Beg leave to report that the same have been duly signed

by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, and are herewith presented to the Senate for the signatures of the President and Secretary thereof.

Very respectfully,
F. W. SAMS,
Chairman of Committee.

ENROLLED.

The President announced that he was about to sign—
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The acts were thereupon 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.

Very respectfully,
F. W. SAMS,
Chairman of Committee.

Mr. Zim moved that Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 14, which was on the table subject to call, be now taken up.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 14:

Indorsing Hon. W. J. Bryan as candidate for the Presidency in 1908.

Was taken up.

A yea and nay vote being demanded, upon the call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Beard, Broome, Cone, Cottrell, Crane, Crews, Girardeau, Hudson, Jackson, Leggett, McCreary, Neel, Trammell, Willis, West (4th District), Zim—17.

Nays—Senators Alford, Buckman, Clarke, Crill, Henderson, Humphries, Massey, Sams, West (1st District)—9.

Mr. Adams: "Not knowing the wishes of the people of Florida as to their choice for a candidate for the Presidency of the United States and being unwilling to express myself unless so advised I ask to be excused."

So Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 14 was adopted.

Mr. McCreary moved that House Bill No. 11 be taken up out of its order and now considered.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

House Bill No. 11:

A bill to be entitled an act extending and enlarging the territorial limits and the powers of the city of Archer, municipal corporation organized and existing in Alachua County, Florida, and, providing for the exercise of those powers.

Was taken up.

Mr. McCreary moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 11 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 11 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. McCreary moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 11 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. 11 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Adams, Alford, Beard, Broome, Buckman, Canova, Clarke, Cottrell, Crane, Crews, Crill, Davis, Girardeau, Henderson, Hudson, Jackson, Leggett, McCreary, Massey, Neel, Sams, Trammell, Withers, West (1st District), West (4th District), Zim—27.

Nays—Senator Willis—1.

So House Bill No. 11 was passed, title as stated.

Mr. McCreary moved that the rules be waived and that action of the Senate on all bills passed the Senate this morning be immediately certified to the House.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Mr. Trammell moved that 200 copies of Senate Bill No. 264 be printed.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Sams, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber.

Hon. Hunt Harris,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

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

An act to allow fishing with seines in certain "dead" or "wet-weather" lakes in the northern part of Brevard County.

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humpka, Clay Dream, north side of Panasoffee Lake, Dead River (commonly called outlet) into the Withlacoochee River to some suitable point on the Gulf of Mexico.

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

Very respectfully,

F. W. SAMS,
Chairman of Committee.

Mr. Sams, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber.

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

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

An act relating to the improvement by the city of Pensacola of its streets, alleys and public ways.

Also—

An act to provide for change of venue in criminal cases in Criminal Courts of Record.

Also—

An act to amend Section 3394 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to damage of stock by phosphate plants.

Also—

An act to amend Section 1811 of the General Statutes, fixing the regular terms of the Circuit Court of the Seventh Judicial Circuit.

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

F. W. SAMS,
Chairman of Committee.

The acts contained in the above report were ordered referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to be conveyed to the House of Representatives for the signatures of the Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

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F. W. SAMS,
Chairman of Committee.

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Senate Chamber,

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

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

A memorial to the Congress of the United States, asking that the Military Department of this State be furnished with copies of all rolls or records on file in the several departments at Washington which show the service performed by Florida soldiers in the several wars in which they have engaged.

Also—

An act to establish a Criminal Court of Record in Suwannee County, State of Florida.

Also—

An act requiring the separation of white and negro passengers on urban and suburban electric cars operated in this State, and prescribing the duties of conductors and passengers thereon, and fixing penalties for the violation thereof.

Also—

An act to provide for the issue of bonds by the town of DeFuniak Springs for the construction of a system of waterworks and sewerage and a public school building, and providing for the payment of the interest on and the principal of such bonds.

Beget to report that the same has been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives,

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The President announced that he was about to sign—

A memorial to the Congress of the United States asking that the military department of this State be furnished with copies of all rolls or records on file in the several departments at Washington which show the service performed by Florida soldiers in the several wars in which they have engaged.

Also—

An act to establish a Criminal Court of Record in Suwannee County, State of Florida .

Also—

An act requiring the separation of white and negro passengers on urban and suburban electric cars operated in this State, and prescribing the duties of conductors and passengers thereon, and fixing penalties for the violation thereof.

Also—

An act to provide for the issue of bonds by the town of DeFuniak Springs for the construction of a system

of water works and sewerage and a public general building, and providing for the payment of the interest on and the principal of such bonds.

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Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1907.

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

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

An act relating to the improvement by the City of Pensacola of its streets, alleys and public ways.

Also—

An act to provide for change of venue in criminal cases in Criminal Courts of Record.

Also—

An act to annul Section 3394 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to damage of stock by phosphate plants.

Also—

An act to amend Section 1811 of the General Statutes fixing the regular terms of the Circuit Court of the Seventh Judicial Circuit.

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

Very respectfully,

F. W. SAMS,
Chairman of Committee.

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F. W. SAMS,
Chairman of Committee.

Mr. Trammell moved that the vote by which the Substitute for Senate Bill No. 8 was adopted be now reconsidered.

A yea and nay vote was demanded upon the motion.

Upon the call of the roll the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Beard, Broome, Cone, Cottrell, Girardeau, Hudson, Leggett, Massey, Neel, West (4th District), Zim—11.

Nays—Mr. President, Senators Adams, Alford, Baker, Buckman, Canova, Clarke, Crane, Crews, Orill, Davis, Henderson, Humphries, Jackson, McCreary, Sams, Trammell, Willis, Withers, West (1st District)—20.

So the motion to reconsider was not agreed to.

A message from the Governor was received.
President in the chair.

SPECIAL ORDERS.

Substitute for Senate Bill No. 8:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for and require

the payment of taxes on franchises, and to prescribe the method of the return, assessments and payment of said taxes.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

Mr. Cone offered the following amendment to Substitute for Senate Bill No. 8:

“Strike out the words ‘County high school fund and State college fund,’ in lines 40 and 41, on page 3, of the bill, and insert in lieu thereof the following: “The public school fund of the State of Florida.’”

Mr. Cone moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Beard offered the following amendment to Substitute for Senate Bill No. 8:

Strike out the words, “gross receipts” wherever they occur, and insert in lieu thereof the following: “Net earnings.”

Mr. Beard moved to adopt the amendment.

Pending the consideration of the amendment, Mr. Trammell made the point of order that as the bill now being considered had been adopted as a substitute for Senate Bill No. 8, it was not subject to amendment.

Which point of order was sustained by the chair.

Mr. Trammell moved that the rules be further waived and that the Substitute for Senate Bill No. 8 be read a third time and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Substitute for Senate Bill No. 8 was read a third time in full.

Mr. Jackson moved that the Senate adjourn until 3 o'clock.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned until 3 o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION, 3 O'CLOCK P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

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

Mr. President, Senators Adams, Alford, Baker, Beard, Broome, Buckman, Clarke, Cone, Cottrell, Crane, Crews, Crill, Davis, Henderson, Hudson, Humphries, Jackson, Leggett, McCreary, Massey, Neel, Sams, Trammell, Willis, Withers, West (1st), West (4th), Zim—29.

A quorum present.

Mr. West of the First in the chair.

Upon the call of the roll on the passage of the substitute for Senate Bill No. 8 the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Cone, Cottrell, Crews, Jackson, Leggett, Massey, Neel, Trammell, West (4th), Zim—10.

Nays—Mr. President, Senators Adams, Alford, Baker, Beard, Broome, Buckman, Clarke, Crane, Crill, Davis, Henderson, McCreary, Sams, Willis, Withers, West (1st)—17.

During call of roll—

Mr. Beard explained his vote on above bill and asked that said explanation be spread on the Journal.

Which was granted.

(Senator Beard's explanation will appear in Journal of Monday next.)

Mr. Hudson announced that he was paired with Mr. Canova on the passage of this measure, that if Mr. Canova were present and voting he would vote nay and that he would vote yea.

Mr. Humphries announced that he was paired with Mr. Girardeau on this measure, and that if Mr. Girardeau were present and voting he would vote yea, while he would vote nay.

So the substitute for Senate Bill No. 8 failed to pass.

A message from the Governor was received.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The following message was received from the Governor:

Executive Department,
State of Florida,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 2, 1907.

File No. A-19.

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,
President of the Senate,
Tallahassee, Florida.

Sir:

I have the honor to inform your honorable body that I

have approved and signed the following bills, originating in the Senate, to wit:

An act validating certain obligations contracted for the sum of \$43,200 by the City of Lake City during the years 1906 and 1907, authorizing said city to issue bonds for the payment of said indebtedness and providing for the payment of said bonds.

Also—

An act to legalize and validate an election held in Special Tax School District No. 1 of Dade County, Florida, on the 18th day of September, A. D. 1906, and to legalize and validate the issue of certain bonds sold or to be sold by the Board of County Commissioners of Dade County, Florida, under authority of and in pursuance of said election.

An act to legalize and confirm the incorporation of the town of Cottondale, in Jackson County, Florida, and to declare the same a legally incorporated town.

An act to amend Sections 9 and 45, of Chapter 5091, of the Laws of Florida, entitled, "An act to abolish the present municipal government of the town of Lake City, in the County of Columbia, and the 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," to amend Section 67 of said act, as amended by Section 4, of Chapter 5350, of the Laws of Florida, approved April 16, 1903, and to supplement said act and extend the powers of the government of said municipality.

An act to enable the Council of the Town of Kissimmee City, Florida, to provide for the assessment of the property of said town for town purposes, and to levy and collect taxes thereupon.

An act to amend Sections 2, 8, 37 and Section 51, of Chapter 4869, of the Laws of the State of Florida, being an act entitled, "An act to abolish the present municipal government of the City of Lakeland, in the County of Polk, and the State of Florida, and to establish, organize and constitute a municipality to be known and designated as Lakeland, and to define its territorial boundaries and to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges."

An act to ratify and legalize the action of the County Commissioners of St. Johns County in issuing county

warrants in the sum of thirty-two thousand dollars for the completion of the construction of a county court house for said county, and for furnishing said court house, and providing for payment of interest on said warrants.

I beg to further inform your honorable body that I have caused these acts to be delivered to the Secretary of State.

Very respectfully,

N. B. BROWARD,
Governor.

Executive Office,

State of Florida,

Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1907.

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,

President of the Senate,

Tallahassee, Florida,

Sir:

I desire to call the especial attention of your body to the imperative importance of the enactment of a measure that will put in force the present game laws of the State of Florida. They have been long on the statute books, but, as every citizen knows, they have not been enforced.

Year by year the fields and forests of the State of Florida have become more and more depleted of game. The time once was when practically in every copse of woods a dozen deer could be found, while turkey could be seen in every woodland in the State of Florida. In the main, these have been practically all killed off. The reason of this is largely because the game animals and wild birds have been hunted out of season, which has resulted to the detriment of our State.

Florida has for fifty years been the happy hunting grounds of the nation. Sportsmen have visited our peaceful and happy land for the purpose of pursuing our game. Tourists, on this account, have been attracted to our State, and have expended millions of dollars in investments on account of the fact that here were to be found practically every species of game that would afford them pleasure and sport.

Year by year the deer have gone further back into the forests, and are dangerously nearing the point of ex-

termination. I regard the game of the State of Florida as among its most valuable assets. The economic value of the wild animals and birds of this State is incontestably demonstrated when the fact is known that thousands come to Florida each year to hunt, and leave with our people millions of dollars that otherwise would not be covered into the channels of trade.

Florida has ample laws for the protection, preservation and propagation of her game, but some legislation is required that will put force and life into these statutes. I therefore recommend to your distinguished consideration that a bill be enacted that will create a department of game and that will provide for the appointment of a State Game Commissioner, who shall be required to enforce the game laws already on the statute books of the State of Florida. The State Game and Fish Commissioner should have under his supervision and direction in every county in the State, a warden especially charged with the enforcement of the game laws. Because unless there is a constabulary especially constituted to look after this important matter, the game laws of the State will be violated in the future as they have been in the past.

Respectfully submitted.

N. B. BROWARD,
Governor.

Mr. Cone moved that messages be received and spread upon the Journal.

Which was agreed to.

The President in the chair.

Mr. Buckman moved that when the Senate adjourn that it stand adjourned until Monday, 3 o'clock p. m.

A yea and nay vote upon the motion was demanded.

Upon the call of the roll the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Adams, Alford, Beard, Broome, Buckman, Cone, Cottrell, Crill, Davis, Henderson, Leggett, Sams, Willis, West (1st)—15.

Nays—Senators Baker, Crane, Crews, Hudson, Humphries, Jackson, McCreary, Massey, Neel, Trammell, Withers, West (4th), Zim—13.

At 6:20 o'clock Mr. Beard moved that the Senate go into executive session.

Which was agreed to.

The doors were opened at 6:35 o'clock.

And upon the call of the roll the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Senators Adams, Alford, Baker, Beard, Broome, Buckman, Cone, Cottrell, Crane, Crews, Crill, Hudson, Humphries, Jackson, Leggett, Massey, Neel, Sams, Trammell, Willis, Withers, West (1st), West (4th), Zim—25.

A quorum present.

Mr. Humphries moved that the Senate adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned until Monday, May 6, 1907, at 3 o'clock p. m.

MONDAY, MAY 6, 1907.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

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

Mr. President, Senators Adams, Alford, Baker, Beard, Broome, Buckman, Canova, Cone, Cottrell, Crane, Crews, Crill, Girardeau, Henderson, Hudson, Humphries, Jackson, Leggett, McCreary, Massey, Neel, Sams, Trammell, Withers, West (1st District), West (4th District), Zim—21.

A quorum present.

Prayer by Senator Crews of the 15th District.

The Journal was corrected and approved.

Mr. West of First in the chair.

Mr. Buckman requested that the Chaplain be excused for the afternoon.

Mr. Cone called the attention of the Senate to the fact that Hon. J. B. Johnson, the Senator-elect to fill out the unexpired term of Hon. J. R. Newlan, who died during his tenure of office, was present, and having his certificate of election, was ready to take the oath of office.

Hon. J. B. Johnson presented the certificate of his election, and the same was referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.