

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 157

House of Representatives, Feb. 14, 1919.

Reported by Mr. Gilmour from Committee on Interior Waters
and ordered printed under joint rules.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Brown of Abbot.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND
NINE HUNDRED AND NINETEEN

AN ACT to change the name of Whetstone pond, in Abbot
and Blanchard, in the county of Piscataquis, to Sylvan Lake.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section 1. The name of the pond known as Whetstone
2 pond, the same being situated in the towns of Abbot and
3 Blanchard, in the county of Piscataquis, is hereby changed
4 to Sylvan lake.

Sect. 2. All acts, or parts of acts, inconsistent with this
2 act are hereby repealed.

To the Legislature of the State of Maine.

We inhabitants of the towns of Abbot and Blanchard do
respectfully petition your honorable legislature to change the

name of the pond now known as Whetstone pond lying in the towns of Kingsbury and Blanchard to "Slyvan Lake."

George Bennett, Abbot; E. P. Blanchard, George A. Bartlett, W. J. Humphrey, A. D. Sturtevant, R. A. Pray, Harry Brasier, Blanchard; Charles Bennett, W. S. Macomber, Harry Richards, Gerald Brown, D. H. Baxter, Abbot; Alton Merrill, I. E. Turner, F. H. Morse, G. B. West, C. E. Packard.

STATEMENT OF FACTS.

The little pond now known as Whetstone pond is about one and one-half miles long and about one-half mile wide located in the towns of Blanchard and Kingsbury, the larger part being in the town of Blanchard.

It lies on the west side of the highway leading from Blanchard to Kingsbury, close to the highway and is getting to be quite a summer resort.

There are at the present time sixteen cottages on its shores.

My farm is situated on the north shore of said pond and several years ago my two young girls, while there, made the words "Slyvan Lake" by placing white pebbles in the sand, and it has been so called more or less since, and as one of them has since passed away I am anxious that it should retain that name. I presume why it was called Whetstone was because the rocks on the shore resemble whetstones, so called, or scythe stones. It is impossible on account of sickness and the distance to some of the cottage owners for me to reach them all as some live in Massachusetts and some in Canada who spend their vacations here. The following cottage owners, have been consulted by telephone and requested me to sign their names to the petition.

Geo. Bennett,

Abbot, Maine.

Fred Hayden, Fred Herring, Walter Bennett, Mrs. Myra Drew, John Scales, Archie Greenlief, Mrs. Sara Greenlief, Wesley Brasier.