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**LEGISLATIVE RECORD**  
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**Sixty-Eighth Legislature**  
OF THE  
**STATE OF MAINE.**  
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## HOUSE.

Tuesday, Jan. 12, 1897.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Wyman of Augusta.

A communication was received from the secretary of State announcing that Harrold M. Sewall of Bath, has been duly elected a representative to the Sixty-eighth Legislature, as appears by the report of the Governor and Council under date of January 12, 1897.

On motion of Mr. Maxwell of Richmond, that gentleman was appointed to conduct Harold M. Sewall to the Governor and Council for qualification.

Mr. Maxwell subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him and that Mr. Sewall had taken and subscribed the oaths necessary to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Mr. Winslow of Portland, to whom was assigned the duty, at the last session, of conducting Messrs. Pattangall of Machias, and Stevens of Cutler, to the Governor and Council for qualification, reported that he had performed that duty, and that Messrs. Pattangall and Stevens had taken and subscribed the oaths necessary to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

Papers from the Senate passed in concurrence.

The Speaker announced the joint standing committees of the Legislature as follows:

#### Joint Standing Committees

**ON THE JUDICIARY**—Savage of Androscoggin, Stearns of Aroostook, Drummond of Cumberland. Noble of Lewiston, Knowlton of Portland, Fogler of Rockland, Hamilton of Biddeford, Weeks of Fairfield, Smith of Presque Isle, Philbrook of Waterville.

**ON LEGAL AFFAIRS**—Clason of Kennebec, Parsons of Piscataquis, Reynolds of Cumberland, Hill of Portland, Floyd of Brewer, Whelden of Portland, Walton of Skowhegan, Guernsey of Dover, Rowell of Kittery, Boynton of Sullivan.

**ON FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**—Hargraves of York, Weeks of Penobscot, Merrill of Somerset, Furbush of Lewiston, Williams to Augusta, Houghton of Fort Fairfield, Stetson of Bangor, Burns of Westbrook, Simpson of York, McIntire of Rockport.

**ON FEDERAL RELATIONS**—Simpson of Hancock, Hurd of York, Savage of Androscoggin, Sewall of Bath, Murray of Pembroke, Palmer of Bangor, Fernald of Poland, Fuller of South Portland, Goodrich of Maxfield, Prince of Yarmouth.

**ON EDUCATION**—Walls of Knox, Clason of Kennebec, Roberts of Oxford, Burns of Westbrook, Blanchard of Wilton, Sewall of Bath, Pattangall of Machias, Gowell of Berwick, Gilman of Houlton, Levensaler of Thomaston.

**ON RAILROADS, TELEGRAPHS AND EXPRESSES**—Engel of Penobscot, Heald of Kennebec, McCullough of Washington, Williams of Augusta, Littlefield of Belfast, Spear of Rockland, Saunders of Ellsworth, Murchie of Calais, Macomber of Augusta, Kaler of Scarborough.

**ON COMMERCE**—Heald of Kennebec, Hargraves of York, Sharp of Aroostook, Donnell of Bath, Winslow of Portland, Shaw of Cumberland, Smith of Hampden, Coffin of Thorndike, Durgin of Orono, York of Nobleboro.

**ON MERCANTILE AFFAIRS AND INSURANCE**—Parsons of Piscataquis, Reynolds of Cumberland, Reynolds of Kennebec, Hutchinson of Auburn, Merrill of Portland, Pearl of Bangor, Talbot of Lewiston, Hussey of Guilford, Burrill of Corinna, Sanborn of Sanford.

**ON BANKS AND BANKING**—Hurd of York, Drummond of Cumberland, Walls of Knox, Merrill of Portland, Maxcy of Gardiner, Currier of Farmington, Stetson of Bangor, Hutchinson of Auburn, Pierce of Frankfort, Knowlton of Newburg.

**ON MANUFACTURES**—Simpson of Hancock, Wyman of Washington, Maxwell of Androscoggin, Britton of Bucksport, Maxwell of Richmond, Shepherd of Buxton, Robinson of Windham, Rowell of Livermore, Jones of Lincoln, Pope of Manchester.

**ON AGRICULTURE**—Merrill of Somerset, Reynolds of Kennebec, Roberts of Oxford, Briggs of Auburn, Holbrook of Brunswick, Thurston of Appleton, Mitchell of Newfield, Conant of Strong, Brown of Milton, Bither of Linneus.

**ON MILITARY AFFAIRS**—Reynolds of Cumberland, Walls of Knox, Hargraves of York, Murray of Pembroke, Daggert of Smyrna, Starbird of Litchfield, Fogg of Freeport, Hathorn of Medford, Penley of Greenwood, Littlefield of Kennebec.

**ON INTERIOR WATERS**—Maxwell of Androscoggin, Hinkley of Franklin, Weeks of Penobscot, Jones of Lincoln, Longley of Old Town, Jewell of Hallowell, Moore of Deering, King of Caribou, Young of Hiram, Plummer of Lisbon.

**ON STATE LANDS AND STATE ROADS**—Simpson of Hancock, Stearns of Aroostook, Engel of Penobscot, Dudley of Brookton, Daggert of Smyrna, Moore of Moscow, Cook of Casco, Sawyer of Wales, Goodrich of Maxfield, Davis of Steuben.

**ON WAYS AND BRIDGES**—Salley of Somerset, Poor of Oxford, Sharp of Aroostook, Tolman of Carroll, Cox of Randolph, Fuller of South Portland, Dickey of Fort Kent, Hurd of Northport, Whiting of Norridgewock, Holbrook of Brunswick.

**ON INLAND FISHERIES AND GAME**—Hinkley of Franklin, Heald of Kennebec, Parsons of Piscataquis, Durgin of Orono, Patten of Amherst, Sewall of Bath, Davis of Steuben, Cushman of Andover, Smith of Masardis, Staples of Bridgton.

**ON SHORE FISHERIES**—Wyman of Washington, Chamberlain of Lincoln, Morrill of Cumberland, Rodick of Eden, Mason of Bristol, Stevens of Cutler, Kneeland of Searsport, Thurlow of Deer Isle, Littlefield of Vinalhaven, Greenleaf of Southport.

**ON COUNTIES**—McCullough of Washington, Engel of Penobscot, Savage of Androscoggin, Hutchins of Penobscot, Dudley of Brookton, Edmunds of Corinth, Donnell of Bath, Golder of Belgrade, Sawyer of Wales, Cook of Casco.

**ON TOWNS**—Chamberlain of Lincoln, Pike of York, Poor of Oxford, Murray of Pembroke, Fernald of Poland, Britton of Bucksport, Austin of Milford, Hathaway of Willimantic, Hancock of Gray, Goodwin of South Berwick.

**ON INDIAN AFFAIRS**—Weeks of Penobscot, Wyman of Washington, Sharp of Aroostook, Pattangall of Machias, Tolman of Carroll, Larrabee of Sebago, King of Caribou, Golder of Belgrade, Coffin of Shapleigh, Violet of Van Buren.

**ON CLAIMS**—Drummond of Cumberland, McCullough of Washington, Pike of York, Gowell of Berwick, Day of Turner, Luce of New Vineyard, Gagnon of Frenchville, Smith of Hampden, Lincoln of Perry, Cram of Mt. Vernon.

**ON PENSIONS**—Morrill of Cumberland, Billings of Waldo, Grindle of Hancock, Winslow of Portland, Wheeler of Gilead, Shaw of Saco, Hathorn of Medford, Garvin of Acton, Tarbell of Benton, Andrews of Garland.

**ON INSANE HOSPITAL**—Ferguson of Sagadahoc, Reynolds of Kennebec, Grindle of Hancock, Thompson of Standish, Currier of Farmington, Furbush of Lewiston, Wilson of Gorham, Palmer of Bangor, Newcomb of Eastport, Lane of St. George.

**ON REFORM SCHOOL**—Ferguson of Sagadahoc, Hurd of York, Merrill of Somerset, Blanchard of Wilton, Chandler of Bridgewater, Robinson of Windham, Ayer of Vassalboro, Whiting of Norridgewock, Shaw of Saco, Fernald of Levant.

**ON STATE PRISON**—Billings of Waldo, Maxwell of Androscoggin, Ferguson of Sagadahoc, Longley of Old Town, Burton of Union, Chatto of Brooksville, Briggs of Auburn, Wheeler of Gilead, Gardner of Dennysville, Kinsman of Cornville.

**ON PUBLIC BUILDINGS**—Stearns of Aroostook, Chamberlain of Lincoln, Hinkley of Franklin, Moore of Deering, Macey of Gardiner, Pearl of Bangor, Reed of Harmony, Garvin of Acton, Larrabee of Sebago, Pratt of Woodland.

**ON LIBRARY**—Roberts of Oxford, Reynolds of Cumberland, Clason of Kennebec, Floyd of Bangor, Knowlton of Portland, Patten of Amherst, Newcomb of Eastport, Gilman of Houlton, Guernsey of Dover, Whelden of Portland.

**ON STATE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND MECHANIC ARTS**—Par-

sons of Piscataquis, Billings of Waldo, Salley of Somerset, Talbot of Lewiston, Searls of Chelsea, Hutchins of Penobscot, Houghton of Fort Fairfield, Reed of Harmony, Martin of Liberty, Day of Turner.

**ON MINES AND MINING**—Grindle of Hancock, Witham of Cumberland, Salley of Somerset, Fernald of Levant, Purinton of Topsham, Prince of Yarmouth, Littlefield of Kennebunk, Merrill of Bluehill; Holmes of Addison, Penley of Greenwood.

**ON TEMPERANCE**—Witham of Cumberland, Hargraves of York, Morrill of Cumberland, Rounds of Paris, Burnham of Edgcomb, Hamilton of Mattawamkeag, Luce of New Vineyard, Smith of Masardis, Forrest of Lewiston, Murphy of Lyman.

**ON LABOR**—Sharp of Aroostook, Witham of Cumberland, Poor of Oxford, O'Neil of Biddeford, Forrest of Lewiston, Burse of Pittsfield, Ames of Jefferson, Pratt of Woodland, Edmunds of Corinth, Purinton of Topsham.

**TAXATION**—Pike of York, Maxwell of Androscoggin, Morrill of Cumberland, Whelden of Portland, Pearl of Bangor, Pope of Manchester, Spear of Rockland, Austin of Milford, Talbot of Lewiston, Young of Hiram.

#### Standing Committees of the House.

**WAYS AND MEANS**—Houghton of Fort Fairfield, Talbot of Lewiston, Rodick of Eden, Jewell of Hallowell, Shepherd of Buxton, Pearl of Bangor, Young of Hiram.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**—Jones of Lincoln, Penley of Greenwood, Tarbell of Benton, Moore of Moscow, Shaw of Cumberland, York of Nobleboro, Coffin of Shapleigh.

**BILLS IN THE THIRD READING**—Pattangall of Machias, Fogg of Freeport, Littlefield of Vinalhaven, Penley of Greenwood, Maxwell of Richmond, Shepherd of Buxton, Cram of Mt. Vernon.

**UNGROSSED BILLS**—Gilman of Houlton, Searls of Chelsea, Lane of St. George, Burrill of Corinna, Guernsey of Dover, Gowell of Berwick, Martin of Liberty.

**ELECTIONS**—Fernald of Poland, Chandler of Bridgewater, Merrill of Bluehill, Pope of Manchester, York of Nobleboro, Hamilton of Mattawamkeag, Holmes of Addison.

**BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE**—Noble of Lewiston, Knowlton of Portland, Murray of Pembroke.

On motion of Mr. Philbrook of Waterville, the paper from the Senate relating to the business of the last session of the Legislature referred to this, was taken from the table and was passed in concurrence.

#### Petitions, Bills, etc., Presented and Referred

By Mr. Hamilton of Biddeford—Petition of Laconia Company for increase of capital, with bill annexed; referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Also petition of Pepperell Manufac-

turing Company for increase of capital, with bill annexed; referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Noble of Lewiston—Resolve in favor of Central Maine General Hospital; referred to the committee on financial affairs.

Also resolve in favor of Hospital of the Society of the Sisters of Charity of Lewiston, Maine; referred to the committee on financial affairs.

By Mr. McIntire of Rockport—An act to amend the charter of the Union Safe Deposit and Trust Company; referred to the committee on banks and banking.

By Mr. Tolman of Carroll—Petition of Albion Gates and 25 others in favor of bankers giving bonds; referred to the committee on banks and banking.

By Mr. Knowlton of Penobscot—An act to extend the charter of the Maine Live Stock Insurance Company; referred to the committee on the judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Williams of Augusta,

Ordered, That the time for the reception of petitions and bills for private and special legislation be limited to Monday, February 1, 1897; and that all petitions and bills presented after that date be referred to the next Legislature, and that the clerks of the House cause this order to be published in all daily and weekly papers printed in the State.

#### Communication from the Executive Department.

State of Maine, Executive Chamber, Augusta, January 12, 1897.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

It is with deep feeling of unfeigned sorrow that I announce to you the sudden and unexpected decease of Hon. Daniel F. Davis of Bangor, who has ably, honorably and faithfully served the State in the House of Representatives, in the Senate, and as Governor. He died in Bangor on Saturday morning, January 9, 1897. He was a man of spotless integrity and marked ability, a genial and warm-hearted gentleman whose name and public services are an honor to our State and will be remembered and cherished by the people. In every relation of life, in all his large business career, in all the public offices of trust and importance which he has

held, strict fidelity and a sincere devotion to duty and right have dominated and determined his acts. I would suggest that it is indeed fitting and proper that this Legislature take such action as shall be necessary to pay a deserved tribute of respect to his memory.

LEWELLYN POWERS.

Mr. Stetson of Bangor: We have all heard with feelings of sorrow of the death of a former Chief Executive of this State, Daniel F. Davis of Bangor; and we have all noticed as we wended our way to the State House the flag at half-mast, an appropriate indication of the feelings of the people of this State in behalf of the departed Governor. Governor Davis came to the Chief Executive department of this State during a most trying and exciting time, and he has ably filled this high and important office; and it is most fitting, as has been suggested by our worthy Governor, that appropriate notice should be taken of his death; and I would move that a committee of seven be appointed on the part of the House to attend the funeral of Ex-Governor Daniel F. Davis at Bangor, and to prepare suitable resolutions on his death.

The motion was agreed to.

The Speaker appointed as members of that committee Messrs. Stetson of Bangor, Murray of Pembroke, Fogler of Rockland, Saunders of Ellsworth, Talbot of Lewiston, Edmunds of Corinth and Jewell of Hallowell.

Mr. Palmer of Bangor: I move that the Speaker be added to that committee.

The motion was agreed to.

#### Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, That a committee of three on the part of the Senate, to which shall be added the President and secretary, with such as the House may join, be appointed to attend the funeral services of the late Ex-Governor Daniel F. Davis at Bangor on Wednesday, January 13, and that, as a further mark of respect, when the Senate and House adjourn they adjourn to meet on Thursday at 10 o'clock A. M.

The order received a passage in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Stetson of Bangor, Adjourned.