

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**LEGISLATIVE RECORD**  
OF THE  
**Sixty-Eighth Legislature**  
OF THE  
**STATE OF MAINE.**  
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**1897.**

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**HOUSE.**

Tuesday, Jan. 19, 1897.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Snyder of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate passed in concurrence.

An act to secure the secret ballot was in the Senate referred in non-concurrence to the committee on legal affairs. The House receded from the vote by which it referred this act to the committee on the judiciary and concurred with the Senate in referring it to the committee on legal affairs.

Petitions, bills, etc., presented and referred:

**JUDICIARY.**

By Mr. Merrill of Portland—Bill an act giving notaries public jurisdiction throughout the State.

By Mr. Walton of Skowhegan—Bill an act to regulate steam engineering and to provide for the examination and licensing of engineers.

**LEGAL AFFAIRS.**

By Mr. Guernsey of Dover—Bill an act to create a lien on school timber and bars.

By Mr. Pierce of Frankport—Bill an act additional to and amendatory of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Winterport Ferry Company.

By Mr. Walton of Skowhegan—Bill an act to amend section 31 of chapter 83 of the Revised Statutes relating to unpaid executions issued by deceased trial justices.

By Mr. Durgin of Orono—Bill an act to incorporate the Orono Water Company.

**FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.**

By Mr. Moore of Deering—Petition of W. W. Mitchell and 30 others of Deering, in aid of the Little Samaritan Aid Society of Portland; petition of Joshua L. Chamberlain and 52 others for same.

**EDUCATION.**

By Mr. Sewall of Bath—Bill an act requiring all educational institutions receiving State aid to make reports and to account for receipts and expenditures to the trustees of the State

normal schools on penalty of forfeiting such aid.

By Mr. Edmunds of Corinth—Resolve in favor of East Corinth Academy.

By Mr. Jones of Lincoln—Petition of trustees of Lee Normal Academy asking for appropriation for two years.

**RAILROADS, TELEGRAPHS AND EXPRESSES.**

By Mr. Rowell of Kittery—Bill an act to incorporate the Kittery and Elliot Street Railway company and to authorize the construction of the same across navigable tide waters.

By Mr. Currier of Farmington—Bill an act to incorporate the Franklin, Somerset and Kennebec Ry. Co.

**BANKS AND BANKING.**

By Mr. Maxcy of Gardiner—Bill an act to amend the charter of the Maine Trust and Banking Company.

**INTERIOR WATERS.**

By Mr. Floyd of Brewer—Petition of H. J. Leach and 88 others, citizens of Bangor and Brewer, asking for the passage of an act to regulate the length of rafts of logs which may be run or towed on the Penobscot river so as not to interfere with the regular passage of ferry boats between said cities; bill an act to prevent the unreasonable obstruction of public travel over the Penobscot river.

**WAYS AND BRIDGES.**

By Mr. Moore of Moscow—Resolve in favor of the town of Moscow to aid in support of the Babbit bridge road, with accompanying petition and statement of facts.

By Mr. Durgin of Orono—Bill an act additional to an act of 1865 to establish a ferry across the Penobscot river, as amended by the act of 1880.

**INLAND FISHERIES AND GAME.**

By Mr. Cushman of Andover—Petition of A. E. Herrick and 80 others of Bethel asking for an appropriation for warden service for Oxford county for the years 1897 and 1898.

By Mr. Penley of Greenwood—Petition of Jonathan Bartlett and 25 others for same; petition of D. E. Mills and 19 others of Albany for same; petition of J. H. Jewett and 38 others of Waterford for same; petition of Daniel

Clark and others of Albany, for same; petition of Edward I. Faunce and 15 others of Oxford for same; petition of A. L. Hersey and 30 others of Oxford for same.

By Mr. Brown of Milton Plantation—Petition of Nathan Reynolds and 38 others of Canton for same; petition of John Reed and 14 others of Roxbury for same; petition of A. A. Robinson of Sumner for same.

By Mr. Rounds of Paris—Petition of Fred A. Harlow and 41 others of Paris; petition of F. H. Packard, M. D., and 55 others of West Paris; petition of Myron Maxim and 25 others of Paris—all for same.

By Mr. Jones of Lincoln—Petition of V. E. Libby and 187 others of the town of Lincoln asking for a change in the law governing the taking of salmon in the Penobscot river.

By Mr. Durgin of Orono—Petition of Luke Johnson and 158 others of Orono for a change in the law with regard to taking salmon in Penobscot river.

By Mr. Day of Turner—Petition of Henry S. Irish and others of Turner, asking for a sufficient appropriation to operate Auburn hatchery and feeding station and for suitable warden service for the years 1897 and 1898.

By Mr. Young of Hiram—Petition of E. R. Bachelder and 34 others, asking for appropriation for warden service in Oxford county for the years 1897 and 1898.

By Mr. Austin of Milford—Petition of Jesse Prentiss and 52 others of Milford, for an appropriation to operate a fish hatchery in Penobscot county.

#### SHORE FISHERIES.

By Mr. Coffin of Thorndike—Petitioners 84. We, the citizens of Boothbay, petition that a law be passed allowing the citizens to fish with drag seines in Damariscotta river; petition of the people of Edgecomb to fish for smelts with drag seines in the Damariscotta river; petition of 54 citizens of Boothbay, Bristol and Edgecomb for same; petition of 24 citizens of Edgecomb for same; petition of 69 citizens of Boothbay for same; petition of 46 citizens of Bristol for same; petition of 88 citizens of Boothbay for same.

#### TOWNS.

By Mr. Daggett of Smyrna—Bill with accompanying petition to incorporate the town of Oakfield.

By Mr. Goodwin of South Berwick—Petition of George F. Stone and five others, citizens of the town of Berwick, that they may be set off from the town of Berwick and incorporated in the town of South Berwick; petition of E. Hodgdon and 200 others, citizens of South Berwick, asking that the petition of George F. Stone and others may be granted.

By Mr. Gowell of Berwick—Petition of S. B. Chick and 16 others, citizens of the town of Berwick, that the petition of George F. Stone and others may be granted.

#### CLAIMS.

By Mr. Williams of Augusta—Bill of A. J. Cameron for binding and stitching for government of 1878. Balance of account \$865.76. Interest, \$693. Total \$1558.76.

#### ORDERS.

On motion of Mr. Briggs of Auburn, Ordered, that the board of agriculture be allowed the use of this hall on Thursday evening, Jan. 21, for a public lecture by Gen. Roy Stone of Washington, D. C., on "Practical Road Improvement for the State of Maine."

On motion of Mr. Murray of Pembroke,

Ordered, that when the House adjourns, it be to meet at ten o'clock on the following morning unless otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. Hutchins of Penobscot,

Ordered, that the committee on agriculture be instructed to ascertain the amount of outstanding bills incurred by reason of the slaughter of animals infected with tuberculosis exceeding the appropriations that have been made for that purpose and report a resolve in favor of the same.

On motion of Mr. Maxwell, Adjourned.