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## LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

# Sixty-Eighth Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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Senate document No. 15. Bill an act to amend chapter 136 of the Public Laws of 1895 relating to contributions by husbands and fathers to the support of wives and children.

### TAKEN FROM TABLE AND REFERRED.

On motion by Mr. Engel of Penobscot, Senate document No. 8, an act to incorporate the Orono Water Company, was taken from the table and referred to the committee on legal affairs, in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Pike of York, the Senate adjourned.

#### HOUSE.

Monday, Jan. 25, 1897. Prayer by Rev. Mr. Cummings of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

The Senate non-concurred with the House in referring to the committee on ways and bridges, the petition of Charles W. Hume, mayor of Eastport, that the repair and maintenance of the Eastport toll bridge be assured by the State, and referred the same to the judiciary committee. The House receeded and concurred.

#### READ AND ASSIGNED.

An act in relation to the bonds of trustees and guardians.

Resolve providing for State pensions for invalid soldiers and sailors, their widows and orphans, and the dependent children, parents and sisters of deceased soldiers and sailors eligible thereto under existing law. Under a suspension of the rules the resolve takes its second reading on Wednesday of this week.

Petitions, bills, etc., presented and referred.

#### JUDICIARY.

By Mr. Jewell of Hallowell—Bill an act to authorize the city of Hallowell to maintain an electric plant; bill an act to incorporate the Hallowell water commissioners.

By Mr. Moore of Moscow—Petition of A. Baker and 25 others of Bingham, for the use of the punitive chair in the punishment of criminals.

By Mr. Briggs of Auburn—Petition of Rev. Charles A. Towne and 48 others of Auburn, asking to raise the age of protection for girls; of Mrs. Mary Mitchell and 37 others of Turner, for same; of Horace Fogg and 31 others of Greene, for same; of Mrs. L. C. Lamb and 49 others of Livermore Falls, for same.

By Mr. Macomber of Augusta—Petition of Hallowell Water Company to confirm its rights under its charter.

By Mr. Walton of Skowhegan—Petition of L. W. Weston and 186 others of Skowhegan for municipal suffrage for women.

#### LEGAL AFFAIRS.

By Mr. Pierce of Frankfort-Bill an act to authorize the town of Winterport to purchase the franchise of the Winterport Water Co.

By Mr. Gilman of Houlton-Bill an act to amend an act to incorporate the Meduxnekeag hospital.

By Mr. Mitchell of Newfield-Bill an tο incorporate the Newfield academy.

By Mr. Burns of Westbrook-Bill an act to amend the charter of the city of Westbrook.

#### FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

By Mr. Fogler of Rockland-Petition of Jonn Lovejoy and 40 others for an appropriation for the house of the Good Shepherd and home for orphans and poor and negelected children, situated in the city of Rockland.

#### EDUCATION.

By Mr. Mitchell of Newfield-Resolve in favor of Newfield academy.

By Mr. Wilson of Gorham-Resolve in favor of Gorham State normal school.

By Mr. Lincoln of Perry-Bill an act to incorporate the Staples academy.

By Mr. Currier of Farmington-Resolve in favor of appropriation for Farmington State normal school.

#### RAILROADS, TELEGRAPHS AND EXPRESSES.

By Mr. Robinson of Windham-Petition of W. S. Main and 89 others for railroad from Westbrook to Waterford.

By Mr. Burns of Westbrook-Petition for the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railroad.

#### INTERIOR WATERS.

By Mr. Luce of New Vineyard—Bill an act to incorporate the South Branch favor of the town of Linneus. Improvement Co.

#### WAYS AND BRIDGES.

By Mr. Bither of Linneus-Resolve with accompanying petition for an appropriation in aid of building bridge across the Mattawamkeag river in the town of Hainesville, Aroostook county: petition of G. W. Robbins and 107 other citizens of the southern portion of Aroostook county for same.

#### INLAND FISHERIES AND GAME.

By Mr. Levensaler of Thomaston-Petition of George A. Safford and 300

others of Hallowell, relating to taking of smelts in Kennebec river; petition of D. P. Ross and 30 others of Thomaston, asking for sufficient appropriation for warden service in Knox county for the years 1897 and 1898.

By Mr. Cox of Randolph-Petition of A. C. Clark and 31 others for appropriation for warden service in Kennebec county.

#### SHORE FISHERIES.

By Mr. Burton of Union-Petition of N. B. Eastman and 56 others to amend section 7 of chapter 249 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to taking of smelts in Georges river.

#### TOWNS.

By Mr. Wheeler of Gilead-Petition of Mary A. Dunham and others that a certain parcel of land with buildings thereon, situated in Bethel, be set off from said Bethel and annexed to the town of Mason.

By Mr. Moore of Deering-Petition of F. Winslow and 38 others for annexation of territory of Deering to Fortland.

By Mr. Gowell of Berwick-Remonstrance of J. H. Stillings and 100 others of Berwick against proposed division of said Berwick.

#### AGRICULTURE.

By Mr. Briggs of Auburn-Bill an act to regulate the sale of agricultural seeds; bill an act to amend section 4 of chapter 256 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to sale and analysis of commercial fertilizers; bill an act to regulate the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff.

#### CLAIMS.

By Mr. Bither of Linneus-Resolve in

#### YORK COUNTY DELEGATION.

By Mr. Hamilton of Biddeford-Resolve to authorize the county of York to procure a loan.

#### ORDERS.

On motion of Mr. Williams of Augusta.

Ordered, That the committee on the judiciary be directed to inquire what, if any, further amendments are necessary to render more effective the provisions of chapter 379 of the Public Laws of 1893, entitled "An act to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of apothecaries."

#### READ AND ASSIGNED.

An act to extend the charter of the Maine Live Stock Insurance Company.

An act to repeal chapter 503 of the Private and Special Laws of 1828, to regulate the taking of fish in Narroguagus river.

An act to amend section 11 of chapter 224 of the Private and Special Laws of 1849, relating to the Augusta municipal court.

An act in addition to and to amend chapter 634, Private and Special Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 50, Private and Special Laws of 1895; relating to the Hampden and Winterport Electric Railway and Light Company.

An act to amend an act establishing a municipal court in the town of Waterville.

#### PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.

An act to amend the charter of the Union Safe Deposit and Trust Com-

Mr. Fogler offered amendment A: Amend section seven, recited in section one, by inserting after the word "capacities" in the 12th line, the words, "unless the court or officer approving said bond shall require it."

The amendment was adopted and the bill passed to be engrossed as amended.

An act to change the name of the Kittery and York Electric Railroad Company.

On motion of Mr. Winslow of Portland,

Adjourned.