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

1897.

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Resolve in relation to the claim of the State of Maine for indemnity for expenses incurred by it in defence of the United States.

An act to amend chapter 136 of the Public Laws of 1895 relating to the contribution by husbands and fathers to the support of wives and children.

TAKEN FROM TABLE AND REFERRED.

On motion by Mr. McCullough of Washington, an act in relation to the salary of the judge of probate of Knox county was taken from the table. The Senate non-concurred with the House in its reference to the Knox County Delegation and referred the same to the committee on salaries.

On motion by Mr. Weeks of Penobscot, Senate document No. 13, an act relating to the Old Town municipal court was taken from the table and referred to the committee on legal affairs.

On motion by Mr. Reynolds of Cumberland, the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE.

Tuesday, Jan. 26, 1897.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Chase of Hallowell.

Papers from the Senate passed in concurrence.

The following petitions, bills, etc., were presented and referred:

JUDICIARY.

By Mr. Searls of Chelsea—Petition of Hannah I. Jenkins and 46 others of China and vicinity, for the right of women to vote in municipal elections; of H. S. Jenkins and 47 others of China, for same.

By Mr. Hamilton of Biddeford—Bill an act to amend section 9 chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes; also an act to amend section 1 of chapter 121 of the Revised Statutes; also an act to amend section 13 of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes.

By Mr. Stetson of Bangor—Bill an act to legalize the doings and to change the name of the Hathorne Fancy Forging Co., to that of the Hathorne Manufacturing Company.

By Mr. Philbrook of Waterville—Bill an act to extend the charter of the Oakland Water Company.

By Mr. Noble of Lewiston—Bill and petition for an act authorizing the Rumford Falls Lumber Co. to hold stocks and bonds of other corporations.

By Mr. Penley of Greenwood—Petition of Mrs. O. M. Mason and 45 others of Bethel, for right of women to vote in municipal elections.

By Mr. Rowell of Kittery—Petition of M. E. Tilton and 69 others of Kittery, in favor of raising the age of consent from 14 to 18 years; of C. E. Webster and 25 others of Bolster Mills, for same.

By Mr. Cox of Randolph—Petition of G. R. W. Wentworth and 33 others for the right of suffrage for women.

By Mr. Gilman of Houlton—Petition of Mrs. J. K. Brown and 40 others of Hainesville, for municipal suffrage for women; of Mrs. W. McRoy and others for same.

By Mr. Levensaler of Thomaston—Petition of Amelia H. Whitcomb and 36 others to raise the age of protection for girls.

By Mr. Sanborn of Sanford—Petition of Mrs. Frances J. Libby and 87 others of Sanford, relating to the same.

By Mr. Whitney of Norridgewock—Petition of H. M. Otis and 10 others, employes of the Somerset Railroad, for the use of the punitive chair in the punishment of criminals.

By Mr. Houghton of Fort Fairfield—Petition of Stephen E. Ames and 48 others of Fort Fairfield, for municipal suffrage for women; of J. H. Dow and 44 others of Mapleton, for same; of Laura P. Libby and 109 others of Amity and Cary, for same.

By Mr. Searls of Chelsea—Petition of F. W. Metcalf of China, and 65 others, for same.

By Mr. Maxwell of Richmond—Bill an act to authorize the town of Richmond to purchase the property and franchises of the Richmond Water Co., and to incorporate the Richmond water commissioners.

By Mr. Philbrook of Waterville—Bill and petition for an act to amend chapter 195 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887 relating to the charter of the city of Waterville.

By Mr. Starbird of Litchfield—Petition of Asa Getchell and 45 others of Litchfield, praying for the right of municipal suffrage for women.

By Mr. Searls of Chelsea—Petition of Henry Woodard and 10 others for same.

LEGAL AFFAIRS.

By Mr. Boynton of Sullivan—Bill to amend sections 3 and 8 of chapter 86, section 17 of chapter 81, of the Revised Statutes, relating to service of trustee writs.

By Mr. Wilson of Gorham—Bill an act in relation to division fences; bill an act amendatory to chapter 254, Special Laws of 1889, to transfer additional powers to the town of Gorham; also additional to chapter 216 of the Public Laws of 1893 to abolish school district number one in the town of Gorham.

RAILROADS, TELEGRAPHS AND EXPRESSES.

By Mr. Sanborn of Sanford—Bill an act to amend chapter 550 of the Private Laws of 1889 entitled an act to incorporate the Mousam River Railroad Co.

By Mr. Robinson of Windham—Petition for the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railroad.

By Mr. Burns of Westbrook—Petition for the same.

By Mr. Kaler of Scarboro—Petition of M. S. Keys and 167 others for repeal of law restricting competition and supply of electrical power to towns and cities and asking legislative authority for the generation and transmission of such power by the United Indurated Fiber Co.

By Mr. Moore of Deering—Petition of Freeman Gowen and 35 others of Deering for same.

By Mr. Kaler of Scarboro—Bill an act authorizing the United Indurated Fiber Co. of New Jersey, to generate and supply compressed water and electric power.

EDUCATION.

By Mr. Hamilton of Biddeford—Petition of E. H. Banks of Biddeford and 20 others in aid of Westbrook seminary.

By Mr. Weeks of Fairfield—Petition of Arthur H. Totman and 50 others of Fairfield, for same.

INTERIOR WATERS.

By Mr. Goodrich of Maxfield—Bill an act to authorize and empower the Piscataquis Pulp and Paper Co. to erect piers and booms in the Penobscot river.

By Mr. Jones of Lincoln—Bill an act authorizing and empowering the Katahdin Pulp and Paper Co. to erect and maintain piers and booms in the Penobscot river.

By Mr. Smith of Masardis—Bill an act authorizing the Ashland Manufacturing Co. to erect dams and to make improvements upon Big Machias river; an act authorizing and empowering the Ashland Manufacturing Co. to erect and maintain dams and piers in the Aroostook river; an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the Aroostook river and its tributaries upon the north of Beaver brook.

INLAND FISHERIES AND GAME.

By Mr. Tarbell of Benton—Petition of Edwin York and 14 others praying for a law for better protection of fish in all brooks flowing through the town of Albion.

By Mr. Sanborn of Sanford—Petition of H. B. Rowe and 68 others to repeal chapter 109 of the laws of 1853 prohibiting the taking of pickerel from Long, Mousam, Square Mousam, Goose, Upper Goose, Hanson and Loon ponds in the towns of Shapleigh and Acton.

SHORE FISHERIES.

By Mr. Burnham of Edgecomb—Remonstrance of Thomas K. Cunningham and others against construction of a fishway at the foot of Lily pond in the town of Edgecomb; remonstrance of Wm M. Patterson and others against same.

STATE PRISON.

By Mr. Hamilton of Biddeford—Petition of Sarah L. Cram of Biddeford, and 60 others in aid of the establishment of a reformatory prison for women.

By Mr. Wheeler of Gilead—Petition of Mrs. O. M. Mason and 70 others for same; of W. J. Hartland and 47 others for same.

By Mr. Levensaler of Thomaston—Petition of Joel P. Huston and 60 others for same.

By Mr. Fogler of Rockland—Petition of G. M. Hicks and others for same.

TEMPERANCE.

By Mr. Levensaler of Thomaston—Bill an act to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes.

SAGadahoc COUNTY DELEGATION.

By Mr. Sewall of Bath—Petition for amendment to Private and Special Laws of 1878, chapter 42, with accompanying bill.

PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.

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.

An act entitled an act relating to the bonds of trustees and guardians.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

On motion of Mr. Sewall of Bath, the bill for the further prevention of forest

fires and the registration of guides, was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same gentleman it was recommitted to the committee on inland fisheries and game.

On motion of Mr. Dickey of Fort Kent,

Adjourned.