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

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the Public Laws of 1891 relating to migratory fish.

Senate Document No. 21. An act to authorize the county of Androscoggin to make a loan and issue bonds therefor, was read.

Mr. Savage of Androscoggin stated that he desired to correct a clerical error in the bill at this time, and on his motion the rules were suspended and the following amendment adopted.

Amend Senate Document No. 21 by striking out the word "reimbursed" in line 16 and insert in lieu thereof the word "repaid."

The bill as amended was assigned for its second reading Friday morning.

Senate Document No. 22. An act to amend section 17 of chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes relating to change of name in divorce proceedings.

Senate Document No. 23. An act to amend section 1 of chapter 121 of the Revised Statutes relating to forgery.

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 Narraguagus 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 additional to and amendatory of chapter 634 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893 as amended by chapter 50 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, related 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.

On motion by Mr. Clason of Kennebec, the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE

Thursday, Jan. 28, 1897.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Cochran of Lowell.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

The Senate referred in non-concurrence to the judiciary committee an act authorizing the United Indurated Fiber Co. of New Jersey, to generate and supply compressed water and electric power, with the several petitions in favor of the same. The House receded and concurred.

Petitions, bills, etc., presented and referred.

JUDICIARY.

By Mr. Young of Hiram—Petition of Mrs. E. A. Stickney and 26 others of Brownfield in favor of raising the age of protection for girls from 14 to 18 years of age; of E. C. Burrell and 26 others of Hiram for same.

By Mr. Burton of Union—Petition of Z. J. Wheeler and 55 others of West Paris for same; of Mrs. C. S. Coakley of Spruce Head and 19 others for same; of Mrs. A. S. Daniels and 41 others of Liberty for the same; of Mrs. D. F. Wadsworth and 56 others of Camden for same.

By Mr. Jones of Lincoln—Bill, an act to extend the rights and powers and franchises of the Winn Water and Power Co.

By Mr. Burton of Union—Petition of Warren Hills of Union and 167 others asking that the protection of girls be raised from the age of 14 years.

By Mr. Edmunds of Corinth—Petition of Mary E. Ball and 42 others of Corinth for municipal suffrage for women; of Etta M. Fernald and 30 others of Lincolnville for same; of Sarah A. Clark and 33 others of Stetson for same.

By Mr. Bither of Linneus—Petition of S. E. Carter and 27 others of Washburn for same; of E. W. Smart and 26 others of Bancroft for same.

By Mr. Knowlton of Portland—Petition of John E. Wallace and 68 others for same.

By Mr. Gowell of Berwick—Bill, an act authorizing the county commissioners of York county to locate and

establish a highway over and across the tide waters of Webhannot river in Wells.

By Mr. Davis of Steuben—Bill, an act to repeal chapter 159 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895; bill an act to incorporate the Sullivan and Hancock Steam Ferry Company.

By Mr. Hamilton of Biddeford—Bill, an act to amend section 59 of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes relating to town, village and city by-laws and ordinances.

By Mr. Fogler of Rockland—Bill, an act to incorporate the Deer Isle Water Co.

By Mr. Cushman of Andover—Bill, an act to incorporate the Sunnyside Cemetery association.

LEGAL AFFAIRS.

By Mr. Walton of Skowhegan—Bill, an act to amend section 29 of chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 31 of the Public Laws of 1887 relating to the support of paupers in unincorporated plantations.

By Mr. Pratt of Woodland—Petition of W. Q. Barton and 27 others asking for amendment to insolvency law.

By Mr. Andrews of Garland—Petition of Josiah Crosby and 54 others of Dexter praying that authority be granted to the town of Dexter to establish a system of water works and sewerage.

By Mr. Whelden of Portland—Bill, an act to incorporate the Portland Female Provident association.

By Mr. Pattangall of Machias—Bill, an act to amend section 27 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes relating to the recording of attachments of personal property.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

By Mr. Murray of Pembroke—Resolve in favor of calling public attention to the advantages of Maine as a place of summer resort and to its agricultural and other attractions.

RAILROADS, TELEGRAPHS AND EXPRESSES.

By Mr. Burns of Westbrook—Petition for the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison railroad.

By Mr. Larrabee of Sebago—Petition of J. S. Clark of Naples and 71 others

for the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison railroad.

By Mr. Walton of Skowhegan—Petition of A. C. Wall and 34 others in aid of the petition of V. R. Tuttle and others for extension of charter of Waldo and Somerset Railroad Co.

By Mr. Maxcy of Gardiner—Bill, an act to amend the charter of the Kennebago Railroad Co.

MANUFACTURES.

By Mr. Holbrook of Brunswick—Bill, an act to provide for a topographical survey and map of Maine.

AGRICULTURE.

By Mr. Newcomb of Eastport—Bill, an act to incorporate the Eastport Agricultural society.

MILITARY AFFAIRS.

By Mr. Sewall of Bath—Resolve in favor of Bath Military and Naval Orphan asylum.

INTERIOR WATERS.

By Mr. Jones of Lincoln—Bill, an act to incorporate the Lake Onawa Dam Co.

WAYS AND BRIDGES.

By Mr. Martin of Liberty—Bill, an act to provide for the improvement of highways.

By Mr. Saunders of Ellsworth—Petition of F. P. Austin and others of Hancock county in the interest of good roads.

INLAND FISHERIES AND GAME.

By Mr. Cox of Randolph—Petition of F. G. Sherman and 30 others of Randolph for the preservation of smelts in the Kennebec river; of D. S. Tasker and 118 others of Randolph for same.

By Mr. Martin of Liberty—Petition of D. W. Bennett and 51 others of Montville asking for sufficient appropriation for warden service in Waldo county and for the operation of hatchery for 1897 and 1898.

By Mr. Maxcy of Gardiner—Petition of A. M. Spear and 186 others of Gardiner for preservation of smelts in Kennebec river.

SHORE FISHERIES.

By Mr. Murchie of Calais—Petition of M. N. McCusick and 44 others for repeal of Special Law of 1895 precluding all fishing for salmon with nets in the

St. Croix river above Berry Point bridge.

TOWNS.

By Mr. Pratt of Woodland—Petition of B. R. Blackstone and 29 others, citizens of plantation of Perham, praying to be incorporated as a town.

INDIAN AFFAIRS.

By Mr. Newcomb of Eastport—Petition of Joseph L. Dana and others praying that the State will purchase a certain parcel of land for addition to burial grounds.

CLAIMS.

By Mr. Lane of St. George—Petition of the town of Friendship by its selectmen for reimbursement for money expended for support and burial of Henry Simmonds, State pauper.

PENSIONS.

By Mr. Shaw of Saco—Resolve in favor of the Maine Relief Corps of Maine.

STATE PRISON.

By Mr. Burton of Union—Petition of W. S. Carver and 39 others of Vinalhaven, asking for such enactment as will lead to the establishment of a reformatory prison for women.

TEMPERANCE.

By Mr. Pattangall of Machias—Bill an act to regulate the purchase and sale of intoxicating liquors by cities and towns.

TAXATION.

By Mr. Weeks of Fairfield—Bill an act to amend chapter 65, of the Public Laws of 1895, entitled an act in relation to State taxes on organized plantations taxed by the State as wild lands.

ORDERS.

On motion of Mr. Noble of Lewiston, Ordered, That, the Senate concurring, the time for the reception of petitions and bills for private and special legislation be extended until Monday, February 15, 1897, and that all petitions and bills presented after that date be referred to the next Legislature.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Walton from the committee on legal affairs, reported ought to pass on bill an act to amend section 31, chapter 83, of the Revised Statutes, relating to

unpaid executions issued by deceased trial justices. Printed under rule.

Mr. Floyd from the Penobscot county delegation, reported ought to pass on bill an act to legalize the doings of the county commissioners of Penobscot county in making temporary loans, and to authorize said county to borrow money and issue bonds. Printed under rule.

Mr. Blanchard from the committee on education, reported ought to pass on resolve in favor of the town of Jefferson. Printed under rule.

The committee of Hancock county members of the Legislature, which was instructed by an order of the Legislature to inquire into the expediency of changing the general term of the court of county commissioners so as to conform in time with the general term of the supreme judicial court, reported bill an act to amend section 6, of chapter 78, of the Revised Statutes, relating to the general term of the county commissioners' court of Hancock county, and that the same ought to pass. Printed under rule.

Mr. Spear from the committee on railroads, telegraphs and expresses, reported ought to pass on bill an act relating to the expenditure of the railroad commissioners. Printed under rule.

READ AND ASSIGNED.

An act to repeal section 42, chapter 140, of the Revised Statutes, relating to resentencing convicts sentenced to the State prison.

An act to change the name of the Sanford Agricultural and Mechanical Association.

Resolve making an appropriation to cover deficiency for cattle killed on account of tuberculosis for the year 1896.

Resolve in favor of the town of Brunswick.

Resolve in favor of aid in building highway bridge across the Mattawamkeag river at Kingman.

PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.

An act to fix the term of office of the police officers of the city of Auburn.

An act to empower the Portland Elevator Company to lay a railroad track, lease its franchise, and for other purposes.

An act to legalize the lease of the Old Town Street Railway Company.

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.

PASSED TO BE ENACTED.

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

On motion of Mr. Dickey of Fort Kent,

Adjourned.