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OF THE
STATE OF MAINE.

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from the table and referred to the committee on State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

Resolve in favor of the trustees of the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, with statement of facts.

An act to amend an act to establish the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, with statement of facts.

On motion by Mr. Drummond of Cumberland, an act to provide for the retirement of the members of the fire department of the city of Portland on half pay was taken from the table and referred to the committee on judiciary.

On motion by Mr. Savage of Androscoggin, the vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate referred in concurrence the remonstrance of the Sangerville Woolen Company of Sangerville, and others against the enactment of a law regulating steam engineering, and the same was ordered on file.

On motion by Mr. Roberts of Oxford, resolve in favor of the Farmington State Normal School was taken from the table, read the second time and passed to be engrossed.

SPECIALLY ASSIGNED.

On motion by Merrill of Somerset, the resolve to secure the proper enforcement of the inland fish and game law and to aid in the propagation of inland fish and game, was taken from the table and specially assigned to Wednesday, Feb. 24.

ORDER OF ADJOURNMENT.

On motion by Mr. Walls of Knox, it was

Ordered, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn they adjourn to meet on Tuesday, February 23, at 10 o'clock A. M.

Pending action by the House upon this order, on motion by Mr. Savage of Androscoggin, the Senate took a recess until 10.45 A. M.

The Senate reconvened at 10.45 A. M. and was called to order by the President.

The Senate order for adjournment came back from the House passed in concurrence.

Mr. Parsons of Piscataquis, for the committee on legal affairs reported ought to pass on bill an act relating to the Coburn Steamboat Company. Report accepted and tabled for printing under rule.

Mr. Parsons for the committee on inland fisheries and game, to which was referred the order of the Legislature directing said committee to inquire into the necessity of giving the commissioners of inland fisheries and game, authority to take or authorize the taking of inland game and birds for park purposes for the State, reported bill an act to permit inland game to be taken for park purposes in this State. Report accepted. On Mr. Parson's motion, the bill was read twice under suspension of rules and passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Clason of Kennebec, the vote was reconsidered whereby an act to provide funds for the protection of the inland game of the State was re-

ferred in concurrence to the committee on inland fisheries and game, and the bill laid on the table.

On motion by Mr. Clason, it was ordered, that the pay for the stenographer and typewriter for the Senate shall be \$150 for the session and the compensation for the Senate officers be the same as the last session of the Legislature.

On motion by Mr. Clason, the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE.

Friday, Feb. 19, 1897.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Frost of Augusta. Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

The following Senate bills were read and assigned.

Resolve in favor of the chairman of the committee on railroad fisheries and game.

This resolve was passed to be engrossed under a suspension of the rules.

Resolve in favor of the committee on education.

This resolve was passed to be engrossed under a suspension of the rules.

An act to change the name of the St. Lawrence Street Congregational parish of Portland.

An act amendatory of an act to incorporate the Maine Telephone Co.

This bill had been passed to be engrossed in the House, and passed to be engrossed as amended in the Senate. The House receded from its vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed, Senate amendment "A" was adopted, and the bill was then passed to be engrossed as amended.

An act to incorporate the town of Oakfield.

This bill had been passed to be engrossed in the House, and passed to be engrossed as amended in the Senate. The House receded from its vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed, Senate amendment "A" was adopted, and the bill was passed to be engrossed as amended.

An act to permit inland game to be taken for park purposes in this State.

In the Senate this bill was read twice and sent down for concurrence.

The rules were suspended, the bill was read three times and was passed to be engrossed.

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

JUDICIARY.

By Mr. Newcomb of Eastport—Petition of C. W. Hume and 84 others for an act to incorporate the Eastport Street Railway.

By Mr. Dickey of Fort Kent—Bill an act relating to flags on public buildings and schoolhouses.

By Mr. Houghton of Fort Fairfield—Bill an act to assist the St. John River Bridge Co. to erect and maintain four tolls and railway bridges across the St. John river.

LEGAL AFFAIRS.

By Mr. Holbrook of Brunswick—Bill an act to authorize the county commission-

ers of Cumberland county to negotiate a loan for the payment of land damages in said county.

EDUCATION.

By Mr. Blanchard of Wilton—Bill an act to amend section 108, of chapter 11, of the Revised Statutes, in relation to the qualifications necessary for admittance to the Normal schools.

RAILROADS, TELEGRAPHS AND EXPRESSES.

By Mr. Burse of Pittsfield—Petition of George M. Barrows and 43 others, manufacturers and business men of Newport, asking for legislation to equalize and regulate freight rates; of O. H. Blackden and 50 others for same.

MERCANTILE AFFAIRS AND INSURANCE.

By Mr. Hutchinson of Auburn—Bill an act relating to fraternal organizations.

On motion of Mr. Hutchinson, the bill was tabled for printing pending reference to the committee.

INTERIOR WATERS.

By Mr. Jones of Lincoln—Petition of John G. Flemming and 33 others asking for amendment to charter of Penobscot River Dam and Improvement Co.

SHORE FISHERIES.

By Mr. Merrill of Bluehill—Remonstrance of F. W. Witham and 153 others against repeal of special laws for the protection of smelts in Surrey and Bluehill bay.

TEMPERANCE.

By Mr. Andrews of Garland—Petition of Thomas H. B. Pierce and 115 others, men, and of Mary H. Baynum, M. D., and 115 others, women, praying for the enactment of a law prohibiting the manufacture, sale or gift of cigarettes.

By Mr. Hamilton of Mattawamkeag—Petition of Rev. A. E. Luce and 62 others in favor of cigarette bill.

By Mr. Burns of Westbrook—Petition of Fred H. Naylor and 28 others of the city of Westbrook, for same.

By Mr. Williams of Augusta—Petition of Oscar Holway and 45 others for same.

By Ames of Jefferson—Petition of Mrs. Almada Havener and 35 others of Bremen, asking for a more stringent law in regard to the sale of cigarettes.

By Mr. Holmes of Addison—Petition of V. C. Plummer and others, asking that the cigarette bill be given a passage.

By Mr. Hamilton of Biddeford—Petition of Herbert F. Moulton and 50 others of Biddeford, in favor of cigarette bill.

By Mr. Edmunds of Corinth—Petition of C. S. Philbricks and 75 others of Corinth, for same.

By Mr. Hutchinson of Auburn—Petition of Rev. C. S. Patton and 71 others of Auburn, for same.

ORDERS.

On motion of Mr. Hutchinson of Auburn.

Ordered, That 100 extra copies be printed of the bill relating to fraternal bene-

ficiary organizations, now pending reference

On motion of Mr. Searls of Chelsea, Ordered, That the committee on Maine State College and Mechanic Arts be instructed to inquire into the advisability of establishing rates of tuition for students attending the college, and report by bill or otherwise.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Smith for the committee on judiciary, reported ought to pass on bill an act relating to the use of compressed air for power. Printed under rule.

Mr. Boynton for the committee on legal affairs, reported ought to pass on bill an act to amend section 27, of chapter 81, of the Revised Statutes, relating to the recording of attachments of personal property. Printed under rule.

Mr. Walton for the committee on legal affairs, reported in a new draft and ought to pass, bill an act to amend section 16, of chapter 259, of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to itinerant vendors. Printed under rule.

Mr. Hamilton for the committee on judiciary, reported ought not to pass on bill an act to regulate steam engineering and to provide for the examination and licensing of engineers.

Mr. Hamilton for the committee on judiciary, reported ought not to pass on bill an act in addition to section 21, of the Revised Statutes, chapter 64, relating to the removal of executors and administrators.

Mr. Hamilton for the committee on judiciary, reported ought not to pass on bill an act to amend section 1, of chapter 24, of the Revised Statutes, relating to paupers.

Mr. Boynton for the committee on legal affairs, reported ought not to pass on bill an act to amend the charter of the Dexter Water Co.

Mr. Boynton for the same committee, reported in a new draft and ought to pass bill an act to incorporate the Mars Hill and Blaine Water Co. Printed under rule.

Mr. Staples for the committee on inland fisheries and game, on petition of John W. Abbott and others praying that the State pay a bounty on foxes, reported that petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. Mason for the committee on sea and shore fisheries, on petition of John M. Moores and 11 others, praying that a law be enacted to provide suitable penalties for the setting or building of weirs or pounds for the purpose of catching shad or alewives within 40 rods of any bridge in the Eastern river in Dresden, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. Rodick for the committee on shore fisheries, on petition of Charles E. Patton and 38 others of Bath, also petition of W. M. Spear and others of Gardiner, praying that no smelts be taken in the Kennebec river and its tributaries except with hook and line, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. Fogler for the committee on judiciary, on petition, reported bill an act

to amend sections 4 and 6, of chapter 263, of the Special Laws of 1850, relating to the election of assessors of the city of Belfast. Printed under rule.

Mr. Weeks for the committee on judiciary, reported ought not to pass on bill an act to extend the rights, powers and privileges of the Maine Water and Power Co.

Mr. Weeks for the same committee reported ought not to pass on bill an act to amend section 33, of chapter 24, of the Revised Statutes, relating to paupers.

Mr. Philbrook for the committee on judiciary, reported ought not to pass on bill an act to amend chapter 195, of the Private and Special Laws of 1837, relating to the charter of the city of Waterville.

Mr. Philbrook of the same committee, on order of the Legislature, relating to the advisability of enacting a law compelling a person moving into a town with the intention of making his residence there, to notify the clerk of said town of that fact, reported legislation thereon inexpedient.

Mr. Philbrook for the same committee, on order of the Legislature relating to the advisability of so amending our election laws as to allow a person moving from one place to another in our State to hold a voting residence in the place from which he has moved, until he shall acquire the right to vote in that town to which he has moved, reported legislation thereon inexpedient.

Mr. Guernsey for the committee on legal affairs, reported in a new draft and ought to pass, bill an act to incorporate the Monson Co. Printed under rule.

Mr. King for the committee on Indian affairs on petition of Joseph F. Dana, praying that the State will purchase a parcel of land for addition to burial grounds; also on petition for repairs on church at Peter Dana's point, reported that the petitioners have been provided for in the annual resolve for the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians entitled resolve making appropriations for the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians. Printed under rule.

Mr. Murray for the committee on military affairs reported ought to pass on bill an act relating to the staff of the commander in chief.

On motion of Mr. Murray, the rules were suspended, the bill was read three times and was passed to be engrossed.

Mr. Garvin for the committee on pensions, reported ought to pass on resolve in favor of Lucinda Barrows of Oakfield. Printed under rule.

On motion of Mr. Daggett of Smyrna, the rules were suspended, the resolve was read twice.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton of Biddeford, this resolve was laid on the table pending its passage to be engrossed, and Thursday of next week assigned for its consideration.

Mr. Tarbell for the committee on pensions, on petition of Fred A. Rich and others praying for a military pension for of

Alden Clifford of Lee, reported no action necessary because it comes under general law.

Mr. Tarbell for the committee on pensions, reported ought not to pass on bill an act amendatory of and additional to chapter 33 of the Public Laws of 1837.

Mr. Tarbell for the same committee reported ought to pass on resolve in favor of Josiah T. McLellan of Gorham. Printed under rule.

Mr. Floyd for the committee on legal affairs, reported ought to pass on bill an act to regulate costs in municipal police and trial justice courts. Printed under rule.

Mr. Durgin for the committee on inland fisheries and game, on petition reported bill an act to repeal chapter 580 of the Private and Special Laws of 1868 and chapter 65 of the Private and Special Laws of 1878. Printed under rule.

Mr. Smith for the committee on inland fisheries and game on bill an act relating to the creation of private fish ponds, reported legislation thereon inexpedient.

READ AND ASSIGNED.

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.

Resolve in favor of an appropriation to repair the bridge now existing across the Molumkus stream in Macwahoc plantation in the county of Aroostook.

Resolve in favor of an appropriation to repair the Forks bridge in Forks plantation in the county of Somerset.

Resolve in favor of an appropriation for the town of Hollis.

On motion of Mr. Burse of Pittsfield, this resolve was laid on the table pending its second reading.

Resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine General hospital.

Resolve in favor of an appropriation to repair the bridge across the Macwahoc stream in Macwahoc plantation in the county of Aroostook.

An act for the better protection of girls.

An act to repeal chapter 224 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891, prohibiting the taking of fish in Little Ossipee pond and its tributaries.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton of Biddeford, this bill was laid on the table pending its third reading.

An act to confirm the organization of the Hathorn Fancy Forging Co. and change its name to that of the Hathorn Manufacturing Co.

An act to organize the plantation of Criehaven.

PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.

An act to create a lien on leather.

An act relating to the incorporation of the Portland Female Provident Association.

An act to regulate the taking of eels and white fish.

An act to create a lien on spool timber and bars.

An act to amend sections one and two of chapter 356 of the Private and Special

Laws of 1885, relating to the salary of the treasurer of the county of Waldo.

An act to extend the rights and powers of the corporation organized December 16th, 1892, under the Revised Statutes of Maine, chapter 55 as the Bangor General hospital and now named Eastern Maine General hospital.

PASSED TO BE ENACTED.

An act to prevent the unreasonable obstruction of public travel over the Penobscot river.

An act to authorize the Auburn and Turner Railroad Company to make a town.

An act authorizing the city of Eastport to issue bonds.

An act to amend an act to amend the charter of the Waldoboro Water and Electric Light and Power Company.

An act in addition to acts to incorporate the Pepperell Manufacturing Company.

An act to incorporate Shin Pond Dam and Improvement Company.

Resolve in favor of the Maine General hospital.

Resolve in favor of Cyrus Knapp and John A. Rowell, executors of the last will and testament of Abbie B. Downing.

Resolve in favor of the Saint Elizabeth Roman Catholic Orphan asylum in Portland.

Resolve in favor of the Maine State library for the years 1897 and 1898.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

On motion of Mr. Weeks of Fairfield, bill an act to regulate the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff was taken from the table and Thursday of next week was assigned for its consideration.

On motion of Mr. Blanchard of Wilton, bill an act to amend certain sections of the Revised Statutes as now amended relating to the public schools, was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same gentleman the bill with the pending amendment was recommitted to the committee on education.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton of Biddeford, resolve in favor of the town of Brunswick, was taken from the table.

This bill was indefinitely postponed in the House. In Senate it was referred in non-concurrence to the committee on financial affairs.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton of Biddeford, the House receded and referred it in concurrence to the committee on financial affairs.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton of Biddeford, resolve relating to the publication of a map of the State of Maine was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same gentleman the resolve was read a second time and was passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Boynton of Sullivan, Adjourned.