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OF THE
STATE OF MAINE.

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The bill being returned to the Senate, upon Mr. Ferguson's motion the vote was reconsidered whereby the same was passed to be enacted, and it was laid on the table.

On motion by Mr. Savage of Androscoggin, resolve in favor of Lucinda Barrows, was taken from the table, read the second time and passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain of Lincoln, bill an act to amend section 2, of chapter 287, of the Public Laws of 1893, entitled, an act for the better protection of sheep, tabled pending acceptance of report, was taken from the table, report accepted, read once and assigned.

On motion by Mr. Ferguson of Sagadahoc, Resolve in favor of the State reform school, was taken from the table. The Senate non-concurred with the House in the acceptance of the report and referred the same to the committee on reform schools.

On motion of Mr. Clason of Kennebec, bill an act to amend and additional to chapter 49, of the Revised Statutes, relating to insurance, tabled pending reference, was taken from the table. The Senate receded and concurred with the House in reference to the committee on mercantile affairs and insurance.

On motion by Mr. Grindle of Hancock, bill an act to provide for the examination of teachers of public schools, especially assigned for today, was taken from the table.

Mr. Roberts of Oxford: Mr. President, several senators have come to me and asked that this matter lie over a few days longer, that they might have an opportunity to examining the measure. As it is an important measure and if passed must pass upon its merits, and we desire to have it fully investigated and discussed, I therefore make the motion, Mr. President, that it lie on the table and be especially assigned for next Wednesday.

The Senate so voted, and the bill was re-assigned to Wednesday, March 10.

On motion by Mr. Engel of Penobscot, the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE.

Friday, March 5, 1897.

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

An act authorizing cities and towns to accept conveyances of burial lots in trust and to provide for recording of such conveyances.

In the Senate this bill was placed on file in non-concurrence. The House receded from its action whereby it referred this bill to the committee on legal affairs, and concurred with the Senate in ordering the same placed on file.

An act to authorize the Infusorial Earth Co. to lower the waters of Noyes pond, in the town of Bluehill, during certain months of the year.

This bill was amended in Senate by Senate amendments "A" and "B." The

House reconsidered the vote whereby it passed this bill to be engrossed, Senate amendments "A" and "B" were adopted, and the bill was then passed to be engrossed as amended.

An act relating to the Hallowell Water Co.

In Senate amended by Senate amendment "A." The House reconsidered the vote whereby it passed this 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 East Branch Log Driving Co.

In Senate amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed. The House adopted Senate amendment "A" and the bill was then passed to be engrossed as amended in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the State pension agent expending money for examination of claims under the direction of the Governor and Council.

Passed to be engrossed in both House and Senate and passed to be enacted. Recalled from the executive department, Senate amendment "A" adopted, and passed to be engrossed in the Senate as amended. The House reconsidered the votes whereby this bill was passed to be enacted and passed to be engrossed, and adopted Senate amendment "A."

On motion of Mr. Hamilton of Biddeford, the bill was laid on the table pending its passage to be engrossed as amended.

The following Senate bills were read and assigned:

An act to amend section 2, of chapter 58, of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 94, of the Public Laws of 1891, relating to election of members of the board of agriculture.

Petitions, bills, etc., presented and referred:

AGRICULTURE.

By Mr. Golder of Belgrade—Petition of B. P. Stewart of Belgrade, and 27 others, for the enactment of a law requiring the inspection of grass seed.

By Mr. Hurd of Northport—Petition of Miles Pease of Belgrade, and 21 others, for same.

By Mr. Mitchell of Newfield—Petition of C. F. Sanborn of Parsonsfield, and others, for same.

By Mr. Merrill of Bluehill—Petition of O. F. Stevens of Bluehill, and others, for same.

By Mr. Peirce of Frankfort—Petition of A. P. Ritchie of Monroe, and 10 others, for same.

By Mr. Wheeler of Gilead—Petition of S. L. Plummer of Sweden, and 22 others, for the enactment of a law regulating the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff.

By Mr. Dudley of Brookton—Petition of E. E. Edgerley of Princeton, and 29 others, for same.

By Mr. Cox of Randolph—Petition of E. A. Lapham of Pittston, and 45 others, for same.

By Mr. Burton of Union—Petition of G. S. Pendleton of Warren, and 22 others, for same.

By Mr. Briggs of Auburn—Bill an act to amend chapter 287, of the Public Laws of 1893.

SHORE FISHERIES.

By Mr. Spear of Rockland—Remonstrance of W. W. Case and 129 others, against any change in the lobster law; remonstrance of F. W. Collins and 77 others against same; remonstrance of Ralph R. Ulmer and 38 others against same; remonstrance of C. E. Weeks and 18 others against same.

By Mr. Holmes of Addison—Petition of John R. McDonald and others, asking that the lobster law be not changed.

By Mr. Rodick of Eden—Remonstrance of Herbert Huckins and 50 others of Hancock county, against any change in the lobster law.

SALARIES.

By Mr. Rodick of Eden—Bill an act to regulate the salary of the county attorney of Hancock county.

PLACED ON FILES.

By Mr. Pattangall of Machias—Petition of 200 citizens of Whitneyville, praying for the passage of the cigarette bill.

ORDERS.

On motion of Mr. Pearl of Bangor, Ordered, The Senate concurring, that when the House adjourn, it adjourn to meet on Monday, March 8, at 4.30 o'clock P. M.

On motion of Mr. Wilson of Gorham, Ordered, That the committee on legal affairs be directed to inquire into the necessity of amending section 113, of chapter 51, of the Revised Statutes, so as to make the railroad commissioners elective instead of appointive, and also to provide for appeal from their decision to the supreme judicial court, and report by bill or otherwise.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Floyd for the committee on legal affairs, reported in a new draft and ought to pass, bill an act to amend the charter of the city of Bangor. Printed under rule.

Mr. Floyd for the committee on legal affairs, reported in a new draft and ought to pass, bill an act to secure the better observance of the Lord's day. Printed under rule.

Mr. Pattangall for the committee on education, reported in a new draft and ought to pass, bill an act requiring all educational institutions receiving State aid to make reports to the superintendent of public schools, who shall publish the same as a part of his annual report. Printed under rule.

Mr. Boynton for the committee on legal affairs, reported ought not to pass on bill an act to amend section 67, of chapter 88, of the Revised Statutes, relating to scire facias on trustee process.

Mr. Patten for the committee on inland fisheries and game, reported ought to pass on bill an act to amend section 31, of chapter 40, of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 260, of the Public

Laws of 1895 and subsequent acts. Printed under rule.

Mr. Pattangall for the committee on education, reported in a new draft and ought to pass, resolve in favor of Castine State Normal school. Printed under rule.

Mr. Pattangall for the committee on education, reported in a new draft and ought to pass, bill an act additional to section 104, chapter 11, of the Revised Statutes of 1883, as now amended, relating to the duties of State superintendent of schools. Printed under rule.

Mr. Gowell for the committee on education, reported in a new draft and ought to pass, bill an act to amend section 18, of chapter 11, of the Revised Statutes of 1883, as now amended, relating to the election, qualifications and compensation of school committees. Printed under rule.

Mr. Pattangall for the committee on education, reported in a new draft and ought to pass, bill an act to amend section 8, of chapter 11, of the Revised Statutes of 1883, as now amended, relating to text books, school apparatus and repairs on school buildings. Printed under rule.

Mr. Hamilton for the committee on judiciary, reported in a new draft and ought to pass, bill an act to establish bank holidays and to establish days of grace on commercial paper. Printed under rule.

Mr. Gowell for the committee on education, reported in a new draft and ought to pass, bill an act to amend section 102, of chapter 11, of the Revised Statutes of 1883, relating to the title of State superintendent of schools. Printed under rule.

Mr. Spear, for the committee on railroads, telegraphs and expresses, reported in a new draft and ought to pass bill an act to incorporate the Kittery and York Railway Co., and to authorize the construction of same across navigable tide waters. Printed under rule.

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

Mr. Gowell, for the committee on education, reported in a new draft and ought to pass, bill an act additional to section 88, of chapter 11, of the Revised Statutes of 1883, as now amended, relating to the returns of town superintendents. Printed under rule.

Mr. Pattangall, for the committee on education, reported in a new draft and ought to pass, an act repealing section 87, of chapter 11, of the Revised Statutes of 1883, and acts amendatory thereto, and substituting therefor an additional section to said chapter, regulating the manner of electing town superintendents and defining the powers and duties of school superintendents. Printed under rule.

Mr. Pattangall, for the committee on education, reported in a new draft and ought to pass, bill an act to amend section 3 of chapter 11, of the Revised Statutes of 1883, as now amended relating to discontinuing schools and conveying school children. Printed under rule.

Mr. Rodick, for the committee on shore fisheries, reported in a new draft and ought to pass bill an act to regulate the packing of sardines. Printed under rule.

READ AND ASSIGNED.

An act to fix the compensation of the sheriff of the county of Franklin.

On motion of Mr. Blanchard of Wilton, this bill was laid on the table pending its second reading.

An act to provide for the registration of guides and to aid in the gathering of statistics relating to inland fish and game.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Presque Isle, this bill was laid on the table pending its first reading.

Resolve in favor of the town of Cutler, for repairs on highways and bridges.

Resolve in favor of a road in Dallas plantation.

Resolve in favor of a road in Jerusalem plantation.

An act to extend the charter of the Waldo and Somerset Railway Co.

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

An act to amend the charter of the Portsmouth, Kittery and York Street Railway.

An act to incorporate the Southport and Boothbay Harbor Telephone and Telegraph Co.

An act to regulate the shooting of ducks on Kennebec river and Merrymeeting bay.

An act to authorize the construction of a weir in tide waters on Sheepscove ledge and Pennamagan river in the town of Pembroke and county of Washington.

Resolve in favor of the city of Calais.

An act to amend sections, 7, 9 and 14, of chapter 106, of the Revised Statutes, relating to the issue and serving of venieres.

An act to amend section 41, of chapter 40, of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taking of salmon in Penobscot river above the water works dam at Bangor.

On motion of Mr. Searls of Chelsea, this bill was referred to the committee on inland fisheries and game for a special title pending its first reading.

An act to incorporate the Machias Lake Dam and Improvement Co.

An act to incorporate the Old Stream Dam and Improvement Co.

An act to incorporate the Eastport Street Railway.

Resolve in aid of the Wiscasset bridge.

Resolve in favor of the Soldiers' Home in Maine.

On motion of Mr. Rounds of Paris, this bill was laid on the table pending its first reading, and Thursday of next week was assigned for its consideration.

Resolve in aid of building a bridge over Dickey brook in the town of Frenchville, county of Aroostook.

An act to incorporate the Mercantile Trust Co.

PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.

An act to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes.

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

An act to amend section 6, of chapter 413, of the Private and Special Laws of 1850, entitled an act to incorporate the city of Hallowell.

An act amending section 28, of chapter 11, of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 216, of the Public Laws of 1893, and section 31, of said chapter 11, as amended by chapter 100, of the Public Laws of 1889, and chapter 216, of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to free high schools.

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

An act to incorporate the Franklin, Somerset and Kennebec Railway Co.

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

An act to incorporate the Sunnyside Cemetery Association.

An act relating to chapter 189, of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled an act to incorporate the Milbridge Water Co.

An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Farmington Village Corporation.

An act to incorporate the Rangeley Water Co.

An act to provide for the retirement of police officers of the city of Portland upon half pay.

An act to incorporate the Mechanic Falls Trust and Banking Co.

An act for the better protection of beaver.

PASSED TO BE ENACTED.

An act relating to chapter 136, of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled an act to incorporate the Sabattus Water Co.

An act relating to the Coburn Steamboat Co.

An act for the better protection of girls.

An act additional to chapter 314, of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the sale of land for taxes.

An act relating to appeals in case of damages for land taken for ways.

An act to authorize Frederick A. Staples to build and maintain a wharf into the tide waters of Piscataqua river in the town of Eliot, county of York.

An act relating to the organization of the Washington County Railroad Co.

An act authorizing cities and towns to accept conveyances upon trusts in public burial places, and providing for the record of deeds of burial lots.

An act in relation to the Rumford Falls & Buckfield Railroad Co.

An act authorizing the Rumford Falls Lumber Co. to hold stock and bonds of the Rumford Falls Brick Co.

An act to ratify and confirm the organization and acts of the New Portland & Eustis Telephone and Telegraph Co., and to make legal and valid certain doings of said company.

An act to change the name of the Alonzo Wing Library Association.

Resolve in favor of Maine State prison.

Resolve in favor of Simon B. Gates.

Resolve in aid of repairing the bridge across the Narragaugus river in the town of Milbridge.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

On motion of Mr. Weeks of Fairfield, bill relating to hawkers and peddlers was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same gentleman, Wednesday of next week was assigned for its consideration.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton of Biddeford, an act to incorporate the Ogunquit Water Co. was taken from the table.

Mr. Hamilton offered an amendment by striking out in the ninth line of section 1, the words, "the town of Wells or any part thereof," and inserting in lieu thereof the words, "that part of the town of Wells south of the Webhamet river, so called."

The amendment was adopted, the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed as amended.

On motion by Mr. Philbrook of Waterville, bill relating to the New York Machine Co. was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same gentleman, the bill was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Newcomb of Eastport,

Adjourned.