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

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SENATE.

Wednesday, Jan. 20, 1897.

Senate met according to adjournment and was called to order by the president.

Prayer by Rev. Fr. Doherty of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

Mr. Simpson of Hancock announced the presence of Senator Grindle of Hancock, and he was thereupon appointed by the chair to conduct the senator to the executive chamber, to receive the oath necessary to qualify him for the performance of his duties. Mr. Simpson subsequently reported that the oath had been administered and Mr. Grindle having been duly qualified then took his seat in the Senate.

SALARIES.

In accordance with the order passed January 15 for the appointment of a committee on salaries, the chair appointed on the part of the Senate Messrs. Engel of Penobscot, Clason of Kennebec and Hinkley of Franklin.

The following members were joined by the House: Messrs. Hutchins of Penobscot, Young of Hiram, Plummer of Lisbon, Wilson of Gorham, Burton of Union, Chatto of Brooksville, Ames of Jefferson.

A communication was received from the secretary of State, transmitting the report of the commissioners on inland fisheries and game. Referred to the committee on inland fisheries and game.

A communication was received from the secretary of State transmitting the report of the board of registration of Madison. Referred to the committee on judiciary.

The following bills, petitions and resolves were presented and referred:

JUDICIARY.

By Mr. Savage of Androscoggin,—Bill an act to divide the town of Mechanic Falls into two voting precincts.

By Mr. Roberts of Oxford,—Petition of Mrs. J. D. Graham and 35 others of Rumford Falls; of Ellen L. Pierce and nine others of Hiram; of Mrs. Geo. H. Jones and 15 others of Oxford; of Mrs. S. E. W. Curtis and 46 others of West

Paris; of Rev. E. W. Webber and 38 others of Rumford Falls, in favor of municipal suffrage for women.

By Mr. Savage of Androscoggin,—Resolve in relation to the claim of the State of Maine for indemnity for expenses incurred by it in defence of the United States.

LEGAL AFFAIRS.

By Mr. Reynolds of Cumberland,—Bill an act additional to section 43 of chapter 70 of the Revised Statutes relating to insolvency proceedings.

EDUCATION.

By Mr. Roberts of Oxford,—Bill an act to create a State board of examiners of teachers and to define their duties.

RAILROADS, TELEGRAPHS AND EXPRESSES.

By Mr. Witham of Cumberland,—Petition of Alvin P. Ricker and 286 others of Harrison for the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railway.

Petition of W. H. Danielson and 57 others of Harrison for the same.

INLAND FISHERIES AND GAME.

By Mr. Savage of Androscoggin,—Petition of F. C. Mowers and 49 others of Auburn; petition of T. S. Damon and nine others of Auburn, asking for sufficient appropriation for operation of Auburn hatchery and for sufficient warden service in Androscoggin county for the years 1897 and 1898.

By Mr. Heald of Kennebec,—Petition of Hon. William T. Haines of Waterville and 215 others, residents of Waterville and Kennebec county, praying that sufficient money be appropriated to operate the fish hatcheries in Maine and for suitable warden service.

By Mr. Salley of Somerset,—Petition of Samuel Vose and 40 others of Madison, asking for sufficient appropriation for warden service in Somerset county for the years 1897 and 1898.

PENSIONS.

By Mr. Morrill of Cumberland.—Petition of Frank L. Clark and four others asking for a pension for John D. Sawyer of Gray.

By Mr. Roberts of Oxford,—Petition of E. A. Barker and 708 others in favor of pensioning the Aroostook soldiers and their widows.

STATE PRISON.

By Mr. Stearns of Aroostook,—Petition of Eugene A. Holmes and 110

others, inhabitants of Caribou and vicinity, for the establishment of a reformatory for women.

SALARIES.

By Mr. Parsons—iscataquis,—Bill an act to amend section 1 of chapter 207 of the public laws of 1889 relating to clerk of judicial courts in Piscataquis county.

ORDERS.

Upon motion by Mr. Savage of Androscoggin, it was ordered, that all bills reported by committees creating corporations or granting to corporations or individual rights of a public nature be printed.

Upon motion by Mr. Maxwell of Androscoggin, it was ordered, the House concurring, that the committee on Eastern insane hospital with such members of the Senate and House as wish to join be authorized to visit that institution.

Mr. Hargraves of York, presented the following order, That the committee on financial affairs be authorized to secure such assistance as may be deemed necessary for the collection of facts relating to appropriations in the possession of other committees.

Upon motion by Mr. Engel of Penobscot, the order was laid on the table.

Upon motion by Mr. Clason of Kennebec, it was ordered, the House concurring, that a list of the joint standing committees be printed in the Daily Kennebec Journal until January 31, for the information of the Legislature and others interested.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on judiciary reported bill an act relating to the bonds of trustees and guardians and that the same ought to pass. Tabled for printing under joint rules.

TABLED FOR PRINTING.

Mr. Salley of Somerset, introduced bill an act relating to common schools, and upon his motion it was tabled for printing pending reference.

Upon motion by Mr. Engel of Penobscot, the vote was reconsidered whereby bill an act to incorporate the Orono Water Works was referred to the committee on legal affairs and the bill was tabled for printing pending reference.

Upon motion by Mr. Weeks of Penobscot, the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE.

Wednesday, Jan. 20, 1897.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Frost of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate passed in concurrence.

Petitions, bills, etc., presented and referred.

JUDICIARY.

By Mr. King of Caribou—Petition of Joseph W. Gary and others of Caribou for an additional term of court at Caribou; petition of Peter C. Keegan and 24 others, members of Aroostook bar, for same.

By Mr. Smith of Presque Isle—Petition of E. A. Smith and 100 others of Presque Isle for same.

By Mr. Pratt of Woodland—Petition of A. H. Tornquist and 21 others of New Sweden for same.

By Mr. Gagnon of Frenchville—Petition of Israel Willett and 11 others of Frenchville for same; petition of Arthur B. Daigle and 11 others of Frenchville for same.

By Mr. Philbrook of Waterville—Petition of R. L. Proctor and 108 others of Waterville praying for a charter to be granted to the Union Gas and Electric Company.

By Mr. Murchie of Calais—Petition of William F. Field of Danforth and 27 others asking for such legislation as will enable women to vote in municipal elections.

By Mr. Starbird of Litchfield—Petition of trustees of Alonzo Wing Library Association of Wayne for change of name.

By Mr. Penley of Greenwood—Petition of A. L. Hersey and others, committee of the Oxford village corporation, asking for an act to amend section 2, chapter 169, enlarging their corporate powers.

By Mr. Rodick of Eden—Petition of E. N. Hamor and 91 others of Bar Harbor asking for the right of municipal ballot for women.

By Mr. Violette of Van Buren—Petition of P. C. Keegan and 68 others of Van Buren for an additional court at Caribou; petition of Fred B. Violette and 18 others, citizens of Van Buren, for same.