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OF THE
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OF THE
STATE OF MAINE.

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SENATE.

Monday, Jan. 25, 1897.

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

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Leach of Augusta.

Journal of Friday read and approved. Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

The following came from the House referred to the Hancock county delegation, and on motion by Mr. McCullough of Washington, was laid on the table pending reference in concurrence.

Bill an act to increase the salary of the judge of probate of the county of Knox.

A communication was received from the secretary of State transmitting the report of the railroad commissioners and was referred to the committee on railroads, telegraphs and expresses.

A communication was received from the secretary of State transmitting the report of the Governor and Executive Council relating to repairing the State bridge across Mattawamkeag river, and was referred to the committee on ways and bridges.

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

JUDICIARY.

By Mr. Chamberlain of Lincoln—Bill an act to amend an act relating to the charter of the Pemaquid, Damariscotta and Newcastle Railroad Company.

By Mr. Clason of Kennebec—Resolve to amend section 5, article 4, part 2, of the constitution of Maine in relation to the election of senators.

LEGAL AFFAIRS.

By Mr. Clason of Kennebec—Bill an act to amend section 63 of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes.

RAILROADS, TELEGRAPHS AND EXPRESSES.

By Mr. Heald of Kennebec—Bill an act to extend the charter of the Farmington, Waterville and Wiscasset Railroad Company.

Bill an act to extend the charter of the Waterville and Wiscasset Railroad Company.

WAYS AND BRIDGES.

By Mr. Wyman of Washington—Petition of J. W. Sawyer and 84 others of

Milbridge for aid in repairing the bridge across the Narraguagus river at Milbridge; petition of V. L. Coffin and 64 others of Harrington; of G. R. Campbell of Cherryfield and 14 others; of A. C. Leighton and 49 others of Milbridge, for the same.

INLAND FISHERIES AND GAME.

By Mr. Reynolds of Cumberland—Petition of C. S. Hayden and 35 others, asking that the taking of any fish from Little Rattlesnake pond in Raymond, Cumberland county, or its tributaries at certain seasons be prohibited.

SHORE FISHERIES.

By Mr. Chamberlain of Lincoln—Petition of Leonard F. McLain and 119 others of Bristol for a law to prohibit hauling lobster traps in Johns Bay before sunrise or after sunset.

Remonstrance of Charles F. Gray and 31 others of Bristol, practical fishermen, against any law to prevent hauling lobster traps before sunrise and after sunset in Johns bay.

KENNEBEC COUNTY DELEGATION.

By Mr. Clason of Kennebec—Petition of Lewis A. Burleigh and others of Augusta, to have copies of old Lincoln county records made and filed in Kennebec county.

Petition of Hon. Henry S. Webster and others of Gardiner for same.

ORDERS.

On motion by Mr. Ferguson of Sagadahoc, it was

Ordered, That the secretary of the Senate prepare and cause to be printed under his supervision and direction 400 copies of the journal of the proceedings of the present session of the Senate.

READ AND ASSIGNED.

Senate document No. 10. Bill an act to fix the term of office of the police officers of the city of Auburn.

Senate document No. 11. Bill an act to empower the Portland Elevator Company to lay a railroad track, lease its franchise and other purposes.

Senate document No. 12. Bill an act to legalize the lease of the Old Town Street Railway Company.

Senate document No. 14. Resolve in relation to the claim of the State of Maine for indemnity for expenses incurred by it in defence of the United States.

Senate document No. 15. Bill 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.

TAKEN FROM TABLE AND REFERRED.

On motion by Mr. Engel of Penobscot, Senate document No. 8, an act to incorporate the Orono Water Company, was taken from the table and referred to the committee on legal affairs, in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Pike of York, the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE.

Monday, Jan. 25, 1897.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Cummings of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

The Senate non-concurred with the House in referring to the committee on ways and bridges, the petition of Charles W. Hume, mayor of Eastport, that the repair and maintenance of the Eastport toll bridge be assured by the State, and referred the same to the judiciary committee. The House recessed and concurred.

READ AND ASSIGNED.

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

Resolve providing for State pensions for invalid soldiers and sailors, their widows and orphans, and the dependent children, parents and sisters of deceased soldiers and sailors eligible thereto under existing law. Under a suspension of the rules the resolve takes its second reading on Wednesday of this week.

Petitions, bills, etc., presented and referred.

JUDICIARY.

By Mr. Jewell of Hallowell—Bill an act to authorize the city of Hallowell to maintain an electric plant; bill an act to incorporate the Hallowell water commissioners.

By Mr. Moore of Moscow—Petition of A. Baker and 25 others of Bingham, for the use of the punitive chair in the punishment of criminals.

By Mr. Briggs of Auburn—Petition of Rev. Charles A. Towne and 48 others of Auburn, asking to raise the age of protection for girls; of Mrs. Mary Mitchell and 37 others of Turner, for same; of Horace Fogg and 31 others of Greene, for same; of Mrs. L. C. Lamb and 49 others of Livermore Falls, for same.

By Mr. Macomber of Augusta—Petition of Hallowell Water Company to confirm its rights under its charter.

By Mr. Walton of Skowhegan—Petition of L. W. Weston and 186 others of Skowhegan for municipal suffrage for women.