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OF THE
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OF THE
STATE OF MAINE.

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SENATE.

Wednesday, Jan. 27, 1897.

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

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Chase of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

An act authorizing the United Incorporated Fiber Co. of New Jersey, to generate and supply compressed water and electric power with the several petitions in favor of the same, came from the House referred to the committee on railroads, telegraph and expresses.

On motion by Mr. Clason of Kennebec, the Senate non-concurred with the House in its reference and referred the matters to the committee on judiciary.

A communication was received from the secretary of State, transmitting the report of the commissioners on sea and shore fisheries and the same was referred to the committee on shore fisheries.

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

JUDICIARY.

By Chamberlain of Lincoln—Bill, an act to amend an act to amend the charter of the Waldoboro Water and Electric Light and Power Company.

By Mr. Reynolds of Cumberland—Petition of Rev. D. B. Randall and 135 others of Portland asking that the age of protection for girls be raised from 14 to 18 years.

Petition of Mrs. Fred Libby and 35 others of Stroudwater; of George H. Douglass and 45 others of West Gorham; of M. K. Center and 30 others of Westbrook, for the same.

By Mr. Merrill of Somerset—Petition of Charles T. Neal and 37 others of Ripley; of Mrs. Sarah C. Page and 29 others of Hartland; of W. H. Stevens and 19 others of New Portland, for the same.

By Mr. Maxwell of Androscoggin—Petition of Silas J. Brown and 63 others of Durham and vicinity; of Helen Thomas and 40 others of Greene; of Julia H. Oakes and 50 others of Liver-

more Falls, for the same.

By Mr. Stearns of Aroostook—An act to amend section 1 of chapter 30 of the Public Laws of 1895 relating to liens on buildings.

By Mr. Reynolds of Kennebec—Petition for municipal suffrage for women, signed by Rev. J. M. Wyman and 227 others, residents of Augusta.

By Mr. Merrill of Somerset—Petition of W. H. Stevens and 14 others of New Portland; of Mrs. H. F. Evans and 11 others for the same.

By Mr. Drummond of Cumberland—Bill, an act to authorize towns to appoint special committees for special purposes.

Bill, an act relating to the Portland Safe Deposit Company.

LEGAL AFFAIRS.

By Mr. Parsons of Piscataquis—Bill, an act to amend section 47 of chapter 77 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 277 of the public laws of the year 1889 in relation to the time of holding the September term of the supreme judicial court in Piscataquis county.

By Mr. Reynolds of Cumberland—Bill, an act to incorporate the York Sewer Company.

By Mr. Grindle of Hancock—Bill, an act to lower the waters of Noyes pond in the town of Bluehill.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

By Mr. Hargraves of York—Resolve authorizing a temporary loan for the year 1897.

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EDUCATION.

By Mr. Grindle of Hancock—Resolve in favor of Bluehill academy.

BANKS AND BANKING.

By Mr. Drummond of Cumberland—Petition of Brunswick Savings Institution and Topsham and Brunswick 25 cent Savings Bank, asking for a reduction of the tax on savings banks.

Petition of Samuel Rolfe and others, trustees of the Maine Savings Bank of Portland; of Edw. W. Thaxter and others, trustees of the Portland Savings Bank of Portland, for the same.

WAYS AND BRIDGES.

By Mr. Poor of Oxford—Petition of citizens of Canton, through Rev. C. H.

Gilbert, to amend section 2 of chapter 298 of the Public Laws of 1880.

INLAND FISHERIES AND GAME.

By Mr. Parsons of Piscataquis—Petition of T. H. Wyman and others to prohibit the throwing of minn refuse into Wilson river.

Petition of J. S. Runnals and others; of N. J. Lamb and others; of C. D. Luce and others, for the same.

By Mr. Roberts of Oxford—Petition of Geo. H. Jones and 13 others of Oxford, asking for appropriation for sufficient warden service in Oxford county for the years 1897 and 1898.

By Mr. Poor of Oxford—Petition of Fred A. Porter and 50 others of Rumford Falls, for the same.

By Mr. Parsons of Piscataquis—Petition of Hon. J. D. Brown and 100 others of Dover and Foxcroft, asking for sufficient appropriation for operation of fish hatchery and sufficient warden service in Piscataquis county for the years 1897 and 1898.

By Mr. Drummond of Cumberland—Petition of William H. Stevens and seven others of Portland, asking for appropriation for sufficient warden service in Cumberland county for the years 1897 and 1898 and for operation of Sebago lake fish hatchery.

By Mr. Hinckley of Franklin—Petition of E. I. Herrick and 75 others of Rangeley, asking for sufficient appropriation for operation of Rangeley hatchery and sufficient warden service in Franklin county for the years 1897 and 1898.

Petition of J. P. Dudley and 10 others of Eustis; of Grant Fuller and 40 others, for the same.

By Mr. Grindle of Hancock—Bill, an act to prohibit the killing of deer on Long island.

SHORE FISHERIES.

By Mr. Morrill of Cumberland—Bill an act to authorize and empower Erastus Cunningham, his heirs and assigns, to construct and maintain a fishway in the town of Edgecomb, in the county of Lincoln.

INDIAN AFFAIRS.

By Mr. Weeks of Penobscot—Petition of the Penobscot tribe of Indians to grant the agent authority to retain 10 per cent. of the shore rent for expense of keeping in order the public streets.

Petition of the Penobscot tribe of Indians for appropriation of money for the benefit of their tribe for the years 1897 and 1898.

STATE PRISON.

By Mr. Merrill of Somerset—Petition of G. H. Goodwin and 52 others of Solon, asking for a reformatory prison for women.

Petition of William Hoyt and others of Ripley, for the same.

LIBRARY.

By Mr. Drummond of Cumberland—Resolve in favor of the publication of York deeds.

TAXATION.

By Mr. Poor of Oxford—Petition to remit a part of the State tax of Peru for the years 1895 and 1896.

SALARIES.

By Mr. Drummond of Cumberland—Bill, an act to amend section 3 of chapter 150 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891 entitled, an act in relation to the municipal court of the city of Portland.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 274 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887 entitled, an act to fix the salary of the recorder of the municipal court of the city of Portland.

ORDERS.

On motion by Mr. Savage of Androscoggin, it was

Ordered, That the use of the Senate chamber be granted to the Maine Press Association for Thursday afternoon, January 28.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on judiciary to which was referred bill, an act to amend section 17, chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes, relating to change of name in divorce proceedings, reported that the same ought to pass. Mr. Drummond accepted and tabled for printing.

The committee on judiciary to which was referred bill, an act relating to the charter of the Damariscotta and Newcastle Railroad Company, reported that the same be referred to the committee on railroads, telegraphs and expresses. The report was accepted and bill referred.

The committee on judiciary to which was referred bill, an act to amend section 1, chapter 121 of the Revised

Statutes, relating to forgery, reported that the same ought to pass. Mr. Savage for the committee. The report was accepted and tabled for printing.

The committee on judiciary to which was referred bill, an act for filling vacancies in the board of directors in the Maine General Hospital, reported that the same ought to pass. Mr. Drummond for the committee. Report accepted and tabled for printing.

The committee on shore fisheries, to which was referred bill, an act to amend chapter 61 of the Public Laws of 1891, relating to migratory fish, reported the same in new draft under title of "An act to correct a clerical error in chapter 61 of the Public Laws of 1891" and the same ought to pass. Mr. Wyman for committee. Report accepted and tabled for printing.

The Androscogging delegation to which was referred bill, an act to authorize the county of Androscoggin to make a loan and to issue bonds therefor, reported that the same ought to pass. Mr. Savage for the delegation. Report accepted and tabled for printing.

READ AND ASSIGNED.

An act to extend the charter of the Maine Live Stock Insurance Company.

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 to amend an act to establish a municipal court in the town of Waterville.

An act in addition to and to amend chapter 134 of the private and special laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 50 of the private and special laws of 1895, relating to the Hampden and Winterport Electric Railway and Light Company.

An act to repeal chapter 503 of the private and special laws of 1828, to regulate the taking of fish in Narraguagus river.

PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.

An act to amend the charter of the Union Safe Deposit and Trust Company.

An act to change the name of the Kittery and York Electric Railroad Company.

TABLED FOR PRINTING PENDING REFERENCE.

Mr. Parsons of Piscataquis introduced the following bill and report and on his motion the same were tabled for printing pending reference:

Bill, an act to provide for the investigation of the causes of fire and the publication of statistics relating to the same.

Report of the committee appointed to take into consideration chapter 121 of the resolve of the Legislature of 1895.

TAKEN FROM THE TABLE AND REFERRED.

On motion by Mr. Engel of Penobscot, the following were taken from the table and referred to the committee on interior waters:

An act authorizing and empowering the Katahdin Pulp and Paper Company to erect and maintain piers and booms in the Penobscot river.

An act authorizing and empowering the Piscataquis Falls Pulp and Paper Company to erect and maintain piers and booms in the Penobscot river.

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