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OF THE
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OF THE
STATE OF MAINE.

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SENATE.

Tuesday, Feb. 2, 1897.

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

Prayer by Rev. Fr. Nelligan of Hall-cwell.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Merrill of Somerset, the Senate non-concurred with the House in reference to the committee on judiciary of the several petitions for amendment to the law relating to the inspection of milk and referred the same to the committee on agriculture.

The President called Mr. Savage of Androscoggin, to the chair, who presided during the remainder of the session.

HOUSE BILLS READ AND ASSIGNED

An act to repeal section 42 of chapter 140 of the Revised Statutes, relating to re-sentencing convicts sentenced to the State prison.

An act to change the name of the Sanford Agricultural and Mechanical Association.

An act to amend section 31 of chapter 83 of the Revised Statutes, relating to unpaid executions by deceased trial justices.

An act relating to the expenditures of the railroad commissioners.

An act to amend section 6 of chapter 78 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the January term of the county commissioners' court of Hancock county.

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

JUDICIARY.

By Mr. Chamberlain of Lincoln—Bill an act to amend chapter 154 of the Public and Private Laws of 1895 relating to the charter of the Wiscasset Water Company.

By Mr. Drummond of Cumberland—Bill an act to provide for the retirement of the police officers of the city of Portland on half pay.

By Mr. Savage of Androscoggin—Petition of Mrs. L. E. Hacker and others of Fort Fairfield, for an act

raising the age of protection of girls.

Petition of Mrs. Alberta Thorne and others of Plymouth; of Miss Isabel James, president of the W. C. T. U., and others of New Limerick; of Ellen G. Spear and others of West Gardiner; of H. R. C. Avery and others of Jefferson; of Hannah J. Bailey and others of Winthrop; of J. W. Price and others of Dresden; of Mrs. G. E. Merrill and others of Cumberland; of Charles Haines and others of Winthrop; of Jennie A. Packard and others of Winthrop, for the same.

By Mr. Hargraves of York—Petition of S. L. Cram and 60 others of Biddeford, for the same.

EDUCATION.

By Mr. Roberts of Oxford—Petition of Charles C. Jordan and 18 others in favor of school tax bill.

RAILROADS, TELEGRAPHS AND EXPRESSES.

By Mr. Witham of Cumberland—Petition of Horatio Hall and 64 others of Naples, for the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railroad.

Petition of John McLellan and 13 others of Raymond, for the same.

AGRICULTURE.

By Mr. Clason of Kennebec—An act to amend section 55 of chapter 38 of the Revised Statutes, in relation to pressed hay.

STATE PRISON.

By Mr. Engel of Penobscot—Petition of Caroline S. Wilson and others of Bangor, for a reformatory prison for women.

CLAIMS.

By Mr. Clason of Kennebec—Resolve in favor of Daniel L. Warren.

ORDERS.

On motion by Mr. Engel of Penobscot, it was

Ordered, That Wednesday, February 10, 1897, at 11 o'clock A. M., be especially assigned for the consideration of resolutions in commemoration of the life and services of the late ex-Governor Daniel F. Davis.

On motion by Mr. Reynolds of Kennebec, it was

Ordered, That the committee on legal affairs be required to examine into the expediency of having bells attached to horses drawing teams with wheels after dark.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Merrill for the committee on agriculture reported resolve of Somerset County Grange in favor of the cash versus the labor system for repairing highways, that the same be referred to the committee on judiciary. Report accepted and resolve referred.

PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.

An act relating to a branch railroad track in Ashland and Sheridan plantation.

PASSED TO BE ENACTED.

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.

An act to legalize the lease of the Old Town Street Railway Company.

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

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

An act in addition to and to amend chapter 634 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 amend section 11 of chapter 224 of the Private and Special Laws of 1849, relating to the Augusta municipal court.

An act to repeal chapter 503 of the Private and Special Laws of 1828 to regulate the taking of fish in Narragagus river.

An act to empower the Portland Elevator Company to lay a railroad track and lease its franchise, and other purposes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain of Lincoln, Senate document No. 31, an act to provide for the preservation of deeds now in Lincoln county relating to land in Kennebec county in Kennebec Registry, was taken from the table and given its first reading.

Mr. Clason of Kennebec, moved to amend by striking out section 4 of said bill. The amendment was adopted and the bill as amended assigned for its second reading tomorrow.

On motion by Mr. Parsons of Piscataquis, Senate document No. 24, a communication from the committee appointed under resolve of 1895 relating to rates and price of board at the Insane hospital, was taken from the table and referred to the committee on Insane hospital.

On motion by Mr. Poor of Oxford, the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE.

Tuesday, Feb. 2, 1897.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Gibson of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate passed in concurrence.

The following Senate bills were read and assigned:

An act to amend the Private and Special Laws of 1893, relating to the Glidden Water Company.

An act authorizing the "Draper Company" to issue preferred stock and to hold stock and bonds of other corporations.

An act to authorize the United Gas and Electric Company of New Hampshire to hold property and do business in Maine.

An act to amend section 38 of chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes, relative to notice in probate proceedings.

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

JUDICIARY.

By Mr. Maxcy of Gardiner—Petition of Mrs. J. A. Hodgkins and 42 others of Gardiner, praying for municipal suffrage for women; of Hon. Frederick Robie and others of Gorham, for same; of Estelle M. Brainard and 62 others for same.

By Mr. Knowlton of Portland—Bill an act to extend the rights and privileges of the Underwood Company.

By Mr. Pattangall of Machias—Petition of Horace M. Leighton and 25 others of Columbia Falls, for establishment of a municipal court in the western part of Washington county; bill an act to amend section 45 of chap-