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**STATE OF MAINE.**  
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**SENATE.**

Tuesday, Feb. 16, 1897.

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

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Quimby of Gardiner.

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

On motion by Mr. Engel of Bangor, the Senate non-concurred with the House in its reference to the committee on legal affairs of the petition of Geo. F. Kimball and 56 others, in regard to the equalization of freight rates, and referred the same to the committee on railroads, telegraphs and expresses.

House resolve in favor of the town of Linneus came up on its first reading and on motion by Mr. Savage of Androscoggin, was laid on the table pending first reading.

**HOUSE BILLS READ AND ASSIGNED.**

An act to establish a bounty on wildcats.

An act to repeal chapter 109, of the Private and Special Laws of 1853, relating to the taking of pickerel from Long Mousam, Square Mousam, Goose, Upper Goose, Hanson and Long ponds in the town of Shapleigh.

An act to incorporate the town of Oakfield.

Resolve in aid of the temporary home for women and children at Deering.

**ACTS APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR.**

An act to amend section 4, of chapter 124, of the Revised Statutes relating to polygamy.

An act to amend section 1, of chapter 207, of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to the clerk of judicial courts in Piscataquis county.

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

**JUDICIARY.**

By Mr. Savage of Androscoggin—Bill an act to provide for filling vacancies of trustees.

**LEGAL AFFAIRS.**

By Mr. Parsons of Piscataquis—Bill an act to amend section 27, of chapter 91, of the Revised Statutes, relating to liens.

Bill an act to enable the town of Dexter to establish a system of water works and sewerage.

**RAILROADS, TELEGRAPHS AND EXPRESSES.**

By Mr. Merrill of Somerset—Petition of A. R. Moody and 19 others of Cornville, in aid of petitions for extension of charter of the Waldo and Somerset Railway Company.

By Mr. Savage of Androscoggin—Bill an act relating to street railroads.

**AGRICULTURE.**

By Mr. Grindle of Hancock—Petition of Jere H. Jordan and 23 others of Hancock county, for a bounty on wildcats.

Petition of William B. Remick and 15 others of Hancock county, for the same.

By Mr. Morrill of Cumberland—Bill an act regulating the shearing of sheep.

**TEMPERANCE.**

By Mr. Clason of Kennebec—Petition of Sewall Pettingill and 60 others, in favor of prohibiting the manufacture and sale of cigarettes.

**TAXATION.**

By Mr. Grindle of Hancock—Petition of Thomas Wescott and 10 others of North Bluehill, in favor of the poor widows' tax bill.

Petition of Stillman S. Candage and 23 others of Bluehill, for the same.

**TABLED FOR PRINTING.**

By Mr. Heald of Kennebec—Bill an act to amend chapters 30 and 40, relative to inland fisheries and game. On motion by Mr. Heald, tabled for printing.

**PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.**

An act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Water Company.

An act to amend section 55, of chapter 38, of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 174, of the laws of 1889, in relation to the sale of pressed hay.

An act relating to serving of processes on foreign corporations acting as trustees under mortgages.

An act relating to the extension of the charter of the Atlantic Shore Line Electric Railroad Company.

An act to amend the charter of the Waldoboro Water and Electric Light and Power Company. The following amendment was offered by Mr. Drummond of Cumberland: Senate Amendment A. Insert in the second line in lieu of the word "public" the word "private."

Amendment adopted and bill passed to be engrossed as amended.

An act in relation to voluntary trusts.

An act to amend section 2, of chapter 60, of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 179, of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to libels for divorce.

Resolve in favor of the Central Maine General Hospital.

An act additional to and amendatory of chapter 40, of the Private and Special Laws 1887, entitled an act to incorporate the Winterport Ferry Company.

An act to divide the town of Deer Isle and incorporate the town of Stonington.

An act to regulate the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff.

An act to extend the charter of the Lisbon Water Company for an additional two years.

An act authorizing the city of Lewiston to refund a part of its debt.

**TABLED.**

Resolve in favor of the Gorham State

Normal school came up on its second reading and on motion by Mr. Pike of York, was laid on the table.

**PASSED TO BE ENACTED.**

An act to amend section 59, paragraph 6, of said section, of chapter 3, of the Revised Statutes, in relation to town, village and city bylaws and ordinances.

An act in addition to chapter 55, of the Revised Statutes, relating to the incorporation of libraries, charitable societies and other like corporations.

An act to amend chapter 106, of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the State liquor commissioner.

An act in relation to suits by organized unincorporated societies and associations.

An act to amend rule 4, of section 1, of chapter 76, of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1, of chapter 157, of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to descent of real estate.

An act to amend section 8, of chapter 49, of the Revised Statutes, providing for investment of capital and other assets of stock insurance companies incorporated in this State.

An act authorizing the construction of a wharf into the tide waters of Casco bay and bridge over tide waters in the town of Harpswell.

An act to prevent the unreasonable obstruction of public travel over the Penobscot river.

An act to increase the salary of the judge of probate of the county of Knox.

An act additional to chapter 51, of the Revised Statutes, relating to railroads.

An act to ratify and make valid the doings of the First Baptist Society of New Gloucester, and to authorize the sale of its meeting house and lot.

An act to authorize the Maine Central Railroad Company, its successors and assigns, to construct and maintain a wharf and boat house in Lake Maranacook in the towns of Readfield and Winthrop.

An act to amend the charter of the city of Westbrook.

An act to amend the charter of the city of Augusta.

An act extending the charter of the Bangor Boom Company.

An act concerning the Portland and Rumford Falls Railroad and Rumford Falls and Buckfield Railroad Company.

An act to amend chapter 207, of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the Vinalhaven Telegraph and Telephone Company.

An act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the Aroostook river and its tributaries above the mouth of Beaver brook.

An act authorizing and empowering the Ashland Manufacturing Company to erect and maintain piers and booms in the Aroostook river.

An act authorizing the Ashland Manufacturing Company to erect dams and make improvements upon the Big Machias river in the county of Aroostook.

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

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

**FINALLY PASSED.**

Resolve in favor of the committee on Eastern Maine Insane hospital.

Resolve in favor of the Penobscot tribe of Indians.

Resolve in favor of appropriation for the Maine Women's Christian Temperance Union.

Resolve providing for the payment to the city of Rockland the amount deducted from said city's proportion of the school funds for the year 1896, on account of an imperfect school return.

Resolve in favor of the Training and Normal school at Fort Kent.

**ORDERS OF THE DAY.**

On motion by Mr. Savage of Androscoggin, resolve in favor of the State pension agent for examination of claims, was taken from the table, given its second reading and passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Walls of Knox, bill an act to provide for the investigation of causes of fires and publication of statistics relating to the same, was taken from the table, given its second reading and passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Merrill of Somerset, bill an act to amend section 4, of chapter 256, of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the sale and analysis of commercial fertilizers, was taken from the table, given its second reading and passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Maxwell of Androscoggin, the Senate adjourned.