

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the
LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

LEGISLATIVE RECORD
OF THE
Sixty-Ninth Legislature
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE.

1899.

[This volume has no title page. The above information is supplied by the
State Law and Legislative Reference Library, based on later volumes.]

Ordered, that the secretary of the Senate be authorized to furnish wrappers and postage stamps to each senator and to the secretary himself, not to exceed \$10 in amount, for the purpose of distributing the various reports of the departments of state and other public documents such as they may desire to mail to citizens of the State.

Mr. Reynolds of Cumberland said: Mr. President, the librarian, this morning, called my attention to this condition of things; he said that there was no proper legal method for the payment of the expressage on the reports which it has been customary to send around to the different members of the Senate and House. The Governor has objected to the State paying that expressage, and as a result, as some of us know, we paid the expressage ourselves on the last that we received, which was the report of the Gettysburg Commission. The suggestion of the librarian was that this amount of postage should be divided into two equal parts, one-half of it for postage and one-half for expressage, for that purpose. I make this only as an explanation so that the Senate may understand what is the position of the Executive in this matter.

Mr. King of Oxford said: As it looks to me as though this was a case where individuals are to be convened, I feel that the members can afford to pay the expressage if they choose to.

On motion by Mr. Stearns of Aroostook, the order was laid on the table.

On motion by Mr. Stearns of Aroostook, it was

Ordered, the House concurring, that the business of the last session of the Legislature referred to this be taken from the files and referred to the proper committees.

A communication was received from the secretary of State, transmitting the report of the railroad commissioners for the year 1898, 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 State Board of Assessors for the year 1898, and was referred to the committee on taxation.

A communication was received from the secretary of State, transmitting the report of the commissioner of industrial and labor statistics for the year 1898, and was referred to the committee on labor.

On motion by Mr. Stearns of Aroostook,

Adjourned.

HOUSE.

Thursday, Jan. 5.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Hayden of Augusta.

Mr. Smith of Presque Isle, announced the attendance of Mr. Powers, representative-elect from Fort Fairfield, and was charged with the duty of conducting him to the Governor and Council for the purpose of taking and subscribing the oaths necessary to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Mr. Smith subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him and that Mr. Powers had taken and subscribed the oaths necessary to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Mr. Philbrook of Waterville, announced the attendance of Mr. Donham, representative-elect from Hebron, and was charged with the duty of conducting him to the Governor and Council for the purpose of taking and subscribing the oaths necessary to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Mr. Philbrook subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him and that Mr. Donham had taken and subscribed the oaths necessary to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Messrs. Powers and Donham appeared in the House and took their seats.

Mr. Perkins of Cornish, presented a petition, Francis Keefe, contestant, vs. Thomas F. Staples, the contested election in the Kittery and Eliot district.

The petition was tabled pending the appointment of House committee on elections.

On motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Bangor,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that the matter relating to appropriations for the use of the board of cattle commissioners be referred to the committee on financial affairs.

On motion of Mr. Wilson of Gorham,

Ordered that the secretary of State be directed to furnish each member of the House with postage stamps to the amount furnished to the members and officers of the House of the 68th Legislature.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The following Senate order was received:

Ordered, The House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn they adjourn to meet on Tuesday, Jan. 10, at 10.30 A. M.

The House concurred.

Mr. King of Caribou, announced the attendance of Mr. Daigle, representative-elect from Madawaska, and was charged with the duty of conducting him to the Governor and Council for the purpose of taking and subscribing the oaths necessary to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Mr. King subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him and that Mr. Daigle had taken and subscribed the oaths necessary to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Mr. Daigle appeared in the House and took his seat.

The Speaker joined to the Senate committee to wait upon the Hon. Llewellyn Powers and inform him of his election as Governor, Messrs. Manley of Augusta, Virgin of Portland, Eaton of East Livermore, Parkhurst of Bangor, Murchie of Calais, Sutherland of Biddeford, and Merrill of New Gloucester.

Mr. Manley subsequently reported that the committee had discharged the duty assigned it.

A communication was received from the Senate through its secretary, proposing a joint convention of the two branches of the Legislature forthwith in the hall of the House of Representatives for the purpose of administering to Hon. Llewellyn Powers, Governor-elect, the oaths required by the Constitution to enable him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

On motion of Mr. Hopkins of Deering, the clerk conveyed a message to the Senate signifying the concurrence of the House in the proposition for a convention.

Thereupon the Senate came in and a convention was formed.

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. White, Messrs. White of Androscoggin and King of Oxford, on the part of the Senate, and Messrs. Chase of Portland, Drummey

of Ellsworth, Reed of Roxbury, Fuller of Auburn, and Porter of Burlington, on the part of the House were appointed a committee to wait upon the Hon. Llewellyn Powers, Governor-elect, and inform him that the two branches of the Legislature were in convention assembled in Representatives' hall, ready to administer to him the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties and receive from him such communication as he might be pleased to make.

Mr. White subsequently reported that the committee had discharged the duty assigned it and the Governor-elect was pleased to say that he was ready to take the necessary oaths of office and would forthwith attend upon the convention.

Thereupon the Governor-elect came in attended by the Council and heads of departments, and took and subscribed the oaths necessary to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The Governor then communicated with the convention by address.

(The address in full will be found elsewhere.)

The Governor and suite then retired.

The purpose for which the convention was called having been accomplished it was dissolved and the Senate retired.

IN HOUSE.

A message as received from the Senate proposing a joint convention of the two branches of the Legislature for the purpose of electing a secretary of State, attorney general, State assessor, State printer, State binder, and seven Executive Councilors.

On motion of Mr. Philbrook of Waterville, the clerk conveyed a message to the Senate signifying the concurrence of the House in the proposition for a convention.

Thereupon the Senate came in and a convention was formed.

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Messrs. Vickery of Kennebec and Chamberlain of Lincoln on the part of the Senate, and Messrs. Hopkins of Deering, King of Caribou, Noyes of Pownal, Esty of Rangeley, and Sargent of Portland, on the part of the House, were appointed a commit-

tee to receive, sort and count votes for secretary of State.

Having attended to the duty assigned it, Mr. Vickery, from the committee, reported:

Whole number of votes	112
Necessary for a choice,	57
Byron Boyd had	111
Thomas J. Goodwin had	1

The report was accepted and Hon. Byron Boyd was declared duly elected secretary of State for the current political years of 1899 and 1900.

On motion of Mr. Hamlin, Messrs. Hamlin of Hancock, and Pike of York, on the part of the Senate, and Messrs. Beal of Bangor, Haskell of Sebec, Maxwell of Richmond, Rowell of Solon and Hill of Belfast, on the part of the House, were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for attorney general.

Having attended to the duty assigned it, Mr. Hamlin, from the committee, reported:

Whole number of votes,	129
Necessary for a choice,	65
William T. Haines had	65
Henry Hudson had	4
Scattering,	1

The report was accepted, and Hon. William T. Haines was declared duly elected attorney general for the current political years of 1899 and 1900.

On motion of Mr. Hurd, Messrs. Hurd of York and Dudley of Washington, on the part of the Senate, and Messrs. Bennett of Hollis, Jordan of Lisbon, Craig of Island Falls, Wilson of Brunswick and Spofford of New Sharon, were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for State assessor.

Having attended to the duty assigned it, Mr. Hurd, from the committee, reported:

Whole number of votes,	116
Necessary for a choice,	56
George Pottle had	116

The report was accepted, and Hon. George Pottle was declared duly elected State assessor for the term of six years.

On motion of Mr. Stearns, Messrs. Stearns of Aroostook, and Young of Oxford, on the part of the Senate, and Messrs. Maxcy of Gardiner, Brown of Warren, Turner of Somerville, Reed of Roxbury, and Hutchings of Brewer, on the part of the House, were appointed

a committee to receive, sort and count votes for State printer.

Having attended to the duty assigned, Mr. Stearns, from the committee, reported:

Whole number of votes,	117
Necessary for a choice,	57
Clarence B. Burleigh had	113
Fred W. Plaisted had	4

The report was accepted and Hon. Clarence Burleigh was declared duly elected State printer for the current political years of 1899 and 1900.

On motion of Mr. Hill, Messrs. Hill of Kennebec, and Johnston of Piscataquis, on the part of the Senate, and Messrs. Hyde of Bath, Smith of Hartland, Dawson of Monroe, Thayer of Lubec, and Cobb of Limerick, on the part of the House, were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for State binder.

Having attended to the duty assigned it, Mr. Hill from the committee, reported:

Whole number of votes,	90
Necessary for a choice,	46
H. E. Smith had	89
Scattering,	1

The report was accepted and Hon. H. E. Smith was declared duly elected State binder for the current political years of 1899 and 1900.

On motion of Mr. Blanchard, Messrs. Blanchard of Franklin, and Grindle of Hancock, on the part of the Senate, and Messrs. West of Biddeford, Adams of Mayfield, Gardner of Patten, Berry on Denmark, and Mosher of Rome, were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for Executive Councillors.

Having attended to the duty assigned it, Mr. Blanchard, from the committee, reported:

Whole number of votes,	100
Necessary for a choice,	51
Albion P. Gordon had	99
Charles Sumner Cook had	99
Albert G. Blunt had	99
John F. Hill had	99
Sidney M. Bird had	99
Henry W. Mayo had	99
Don A. H. Powers had	99
Charles S. Edwards had	1
D. M. Parks had	1
Emery O. Bean had	1
Joseph E. Moore had	1
James Archibald had	1

The report was accepted and Honorables Albion P. Gordon, Charles Sumner Cook, Albert G. Blunt, John F. Hill, Sidney M. Bird, Henry W. Mayo, and Don A. H. Powers were declared duly elected Executive Councillors for the current political years of 1899 and 1900.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Penobscot, the secretary of the convention was directed to inform the officers of their election.

The secretary subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him and had received the acceptances in writing of all the gentlemen elected.

On motion of Mr. Drummond of Cumberland, the rules were suspended and a message sent to the Councillors-elect informing them that the two branches of the Legislature were ready to administer to them the oaths required by the constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

Thereupon the Councillors-elect came in and the necessary oaths of office were administered to them. The Councillors then retired.

On motion of Mr. Witham of Cumberland, a message was sent to the Governor, informing him of the election of the State officers.

The secretary was directed to convey the message, and subsequently reported that he had performed that duty.

The purpose for which the convention was called having been accomplished, it was dissolved, and the Senate retired.

IN HOUSE.

The Speaker announced the joint standing committees of the Legislature as follows:

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES.

ON JUDICIARY.—Stearns of Aroostook, Drummond of Cumberland, Hamlin of Hancock, Philbrook of Waterville, Smith of Presque Isle, Merrill of Skowhegan, Virgin of Portland, Manley of Augusta, Harris of Auburn, Perkins of Cornish.

ON LEGAL AFFAIRS.—Reynolds of Cumberland, Weeks of Somerset, Plummer of Penobscot, Guernsey of Dover, Sanborn of Newport, Chase of Portland, Hopkins of Deering, McFaul of Machias, Gentleman of Porter, Morey of Lewiston.

ON FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.—Hargraves of York, Merrill of Somerset, White of Androscoggin, Manley of Augusta, Burns of Westbrook, Beal of

Bangor, Hyde of Bath, Powers of Ft. Fairfield, Rankins of Wells, Hix of Rockland.

ON FEDERAL RELATIONS.—Hurd of York, Merrill of Somerset, Stearns of Aroostook, Parkhurst of Bangor, Fuller of South Portland, Prince of Yarmouth, Field of Oakland, Spratt of Palermo, Taylor of Hope, Hahn of Waldoboro.

ON EDUCATION.—Blanchard of Franklin, Plummer of Penobscot, Chamberlain of Lincoln, Burns of Westbrook, Peaslee of Wiscasset, Walker of Starks, Gardner of Patten, Ryerson of North Livermore, Webster of Chesterville, Merrill of New Gloucester.

ON RAILROADS, TELEGRAPHS AND EXPRESSES.—Heald of Kennebec, Shepherd of Knox, Jones of Penobscot, Murchie of Calais, Macomber of Augusta, Wilbur of Avon, Maxwell of Richmond, Drumme of Ellsworth, Bird of Rockland, Leavitt of Eastport.

ON COMMERCE.—Sawyer of Washington, Hargraves of York, Weeks of Somerset, Hyde of Bath, Sargent of Portland, Staples of Bridgton, Bryant of Knox, Simes of Mt. Desert, Grindle of Islesboro, Hodgkins of Harpswell.

ON MERCANTILE AFFAIRS AND INSURANCE.—Whitehouse of Sagadahoc, White of Androscoggin, Shepherd of Knox, Webb of Portland, Fuller of Auburn, Maxcy of Gardiner, Hutchings of Brewer, Staples of Elliot, Wood of Camden, Thayer of Lube.

ON BANKS AND BANKING.—Hurd of York, Drummond of Cumberland, Adams of Penobscot, Maxcy of Gardiner, Fuller of Kennebec, Ledyard of Bath, Bennett of Hollis, Kilborn of Bethel, Cleveland of Houlton, Deering of Saco.

ON MANUFACTURES.—Fernald of Androscoggin, Pierce of Waldo, Sawyer of Washington, Wilson of Cherryfield, Staples of Bridgton, Brimmer of Maria-ville, Gordon of Readfield, Forhan of Raymond, Fitz of Durham, Gould of Pittston.

ON AGRICULTURE.—Merrill of Somerset, Young of Oxford, Reynolds of Cumberland, DeCoster of Buckfield, Chamberlain of Lebanon, Davis of Brownville, Spofford of New Sharon, Purinton of Woolwich, Nickerson of Orrington, Farnsworth of Pembroke.

ON MILITARY AFFAIRS.—Reynolds of Cumberland, Hamlin of Hancock, Vickery of Kennebec, Brown of Falmouth, Melcher of Portland, Cobb of Limerick, Dawson of Monroe, Chick of Clifton, Coffin of Harrington, Murphy of Lewiston.

ON INTERIOR WATERS.—Jones of Penobscot, Whitehouse of Sagadahoc, Young of Oxford, King of Caribou, Freese of Argyle, Reed of Roxbury, Peabody of Princeton, Carr of Old Town, Farrell of Van Buren, Garcelon of Lewiston.

ON STATE LANDS AND STATE ROADS.—Dudley of Washington, Johnston of Piscataquis, Blanchard of Franklin, Laliberte of Ft. Kent, Tyler of Bradley, Webster of Chesterville, Johnnet of Palmyra, Crane of Whiting, Blackstone of Perham, Merrill of New Gloucester.

ON WAYS AND BRIDGES.—Johnston of Piscataquis, Young of Oxford, Sharp of Aroostook, Fuller of South Portland, Rowell of Solon, Daigle of Madawaska,

Berry of Denmark, Craig of Island Falls, Adams of Mayfield, Bridgman of Sullivan.

ON INLAND FISHERIES AND GAME.—Vickery of Kennebec, Blanchard of Franklin, Johnston of Piscataquis, Macfarlane of Greenville, Eaton of East Livermore, Wilson of Brunswick, Abbott of Dexter, Eddy of Rangeley, Weed of Monticello, Jones of Springfield.

ON SHORE FISHERIES.—Chamberlain of Lincoln, Pierce of Waldo, Sawyer of Washington, Buck of Orland, Wood of Camden, Turner of Somerville, Goss of Stonington, Sargent of Portland, Fogg of Freeport, Harmon of Machiasport.

ON COUNTIES.—Weeks of Somerset, Grindle of Hancock, Pierce of Waldo, Hill of Belfast, Ridlon of Stetson, Adams of Mayfield, Cartret of Baldwin, Jellison of Surry, Kallach of South Thomaston, Libby of South Berwick.

ON TOWNS.—Pike of York, Hodsdon of Cumberland, Sawyer of Washington, Britton of Bucksport, Wilson of Cherryfield, Stetson of Monmouth, Beath of Kenduskeag, McFadden of Dresden, Wilson of Gorham, Hughes of Amity.

ON INDIAN AFFAIRS.—Dudley of Washington, Adams of Penobscot, Sharp of Aroostook, Peabody of Princeton, King of Caribou, Carr of Old Town, Colburn of Winsor, Eddy of Rangeley, McPaul of Machias, Jones of Springfield.

ON CLAIMS.—Drummond of Cumberland, Pike of York, Dudley of Washington, Fuller of Auburn, Hill of Belfast, Jellison of Surry, Smith of Hartland, Dunning of Winslow, Deering of Saco, West of Biddeford.

ON PENSIONS.—Plummer of Penobscot, Johnston of Piscataquis, Hodsdon of Cumberland, Melcher of Portland, Dawson of Monroe, Mosher of Rome, Ledyard of Bath, Libby of Albion, Fitz of Durham, Brown of Warren.

ON INSANE HOSPITAL.—Grindle of Hancock, Fernald of Androscoggin, Heald of Kennebec, Wilson of Gorham, Parkhurst of Bangor, Peaslee of Wiscasset, Donham of Hebron, Irving of Kennebunkport, Sargent of Sedgwick, Woodbridge of Newcastle.

ON REFORM SCHOOL.—Pierce of Waldo, King of Oxford, Witham of Cumberland, Porter of Burlington, Nickerson of Swanville, Pierce of Blaine, Irving of Kennebunkport, Tyley of Bradley, Somes of Mt. Desert, Bennett of Hollis.

ON STATE PRISON.—Sharp of Aroostook, Hurd of York, Whitehouse of Sagadahoc, Sutherland of Biddeford, Parker of Glenburn, Donham of Hebron, Hassell of Sebek, Ridlon of Stetson, Eaton of East Livermore, West of Biddeford.

ON PUBLIC BUILDINGS.—Shepherd of Knox, Vickery of Kennebec, Fernald of Androscoggin, Fogg of Freeport, Kernon of Sanford, Woodbridge of Newcastle, Beath of Kenduskeag, Cartret of Baldwin, Johnnet of Palmyra, Wilson of Minot.

ON LIBRARY.—White of Androscoggin, Weeks of Somerset, Reynolds of Cumberland, Field of Oakland, Guernsey of Dover, Sutherland of Biddeford, Ryerson of North Livermore, Buck of Orland, Noyes of Pownal, Teel of St. George.

ON THE UNIVERSITY OF MAINE.—Adams of Penobscot, Heald of Kennebec, King of Oxford, Nickerson of Swanville, Chick of Clifton, Weed of Monticello, Walker of Starks, Burns of Westbrook, Perkins of Cornish, Leavitt of Eastport.

ON MINES AND MINING.—Grindle of Hancock, Witham of Cumberland, Jones of Penobscot, Prince of Yarmouth, Spurr of Otisfield, Spratt of Palermo, Sawyer of Limington, Noyes of Pownal, Libby of South Berwick, Taylor of Hope.

ON LABOR.—Sharp of Aroostook, Witham of Cumberland, King of Oxford, Fuller of Auburn, Colburn of Winsor, Nickerson of Orrington, Stetson of Monmouth, Brimmer of Mariaville, Grindle of Islesboro, Brown of Warren.

ON TEMPERANCE.—Witham of Cumberland, Hargraves of York, Dudley of Washington, Walker of Starks, Parker of Glenburn, Fuller of Kennebunk, DeCoster of Buckfield, Craig of Island Falls, Prince of Yarmouth, Hodgkins of Harpswell.

ON TAXATION.—Hodsdon of Cumberland, Pike of York, Fernald of Androscoggin, Hutchings of Brewer, Bodwell of Hallowell, Jordan of Lisbon, Girdler of Mercer, Sawyer of Limington, Kallach of South Thomaston, Garcelon of Lewiston.

STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE.

ON WAYS AND MEANS.—Plummer of Portland, Jordan of Lisbon, Bodwell of Hallowell, Britton of Bucksport, Kernon of Sanford, Webb of Portland, O'Brien of Thomaston.

ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE.—Wilson of Brunswick, Plummer of Portland, Berry of Denmark, Wood of Camden, Girdler of Mercer, Spofford of New Sharon, Teel of St. George.

ON BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE.—Phibbrook of Waterville, Chase of Portland, Belleau of Lewiston.

ON BILLS IN THE THIRD READING.—Chamberlain of Lebanon, Fitz of Durham, Smith of Hartland, Libby of Albion, Hill of Belfast, Teel of St. George, Merrill of New Gloucester.

ON ENGROSSED BILLS.—Powers of Ft. Fairfield, Webster of Chesterville, Purinton of Woolwich, Sawyer of Limington, Pierce of Blaine, Morey of Lewiston, Brown of Warren.

ON ELECTIONS.—Hopkins of Deering, McFadden of Dresden, Gordon of Readfield, Taylor of Hope, Sargent of Sedgwick, O'Brien of Thomaston, Belleau of Lewiston.

ON COUNTY ESTIMATES.—Harris of Auburn, Cleveland of Houlton, Staples of Bridgton, Webster of Chesterville, Somes of Mt. Desert, Maxcy of Gardiner, Hix of Rockland, Peaslee of Wiscasset, Kilborn of Bethel, Beal of Bangor, Guernsey of Dover, Ledyard of Bath, Merrill of Skowhegan, Hill of Belfast, McPaul of Machias, Kernon of Sanford.

JOINT SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

ON EASTERN MAINE INSANE HOSPITAL.—Adams of Penobscot, Grindle of Hancock, Heald of Kennebec, Beal of Bangor, Macomber of Augusta, Pierce of Blaine, Jordan of Lisbon, Peaslee of Wis-

casset, Parkhurst of Bangor, Garcelon of Lewiston.

ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE.—Hamlen of Hancock, Weeks of Somerset, Pike of York, Chase of Portland, King of Caribou, Donham of Hebron, Sanborn of Newport; Dawson of Monroe, Perkins of Cornish, Morey of Lewiston.

STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE.

ON BILLS IN THE SECOND READING.—Witham of Cumberland, Fernald of Androscoggin, Whitehouse of Sagadahoc, Merrill of Somerset, Dudley of Washington, Sharp of Aroostook, Blanchard of Franklin, Vickery of Kennebec, Johnston of Piscataquis, Hodsdon of Cumberland, Hargraves of York, Jones of Penobscot.

ON ENGROSSED BILLS.—Grindle of Hancock, Peirce of Waldo, Pike of York, White of Androscoggin, Sawyer of Washington, King of Oxford, Chamberlain of Lincoln, Shepherd of Knox, Weeks of Somerset, Plummer of Penobscot, Hamlin of Hancock, Drummond of Cumberland.

On motion of Mr. Macomber of Augusta,

Adjourned.