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**ORDERS.**

On motion by Mr. Shepherd of Knox, it was

Ordered, That on Tuesday next, the Senate shall proceed to vote for a senator to Congress for a full term from March 4, 1899, in accordance with the laws of the United States.

On motion by Mr. Pike of York, it was

Ordered, That the committee on inland fisheries and game be instructed to consider the advisability of protecting deer in that part of Oxford county lying south of the Androscoggin river.

On motion by Mr. Pike of York, it was

Ordered, That the use of the Senate chamber be granted to the committee on towns for a public hearing Jan. 25, at 2 o'clock P. M.

**PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.**

Mr. Hargraves of the committee on financial affairs reported ought to pass, resolve authorizing a temporary loan for war purposes and appropriation for the same. The report was accepted, and on motion by Mr. Hargraves, the resolve was read twice under suspension of rules and passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Stearns of Aroostook,

Adjourned.

**HOUSE.**

Thursday, Jan. 12, 1899.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Wyman of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

The following were received from the Senate:

Petition of John Watson and 19 others asking that the salaries of justices of the supreme judicial court be increased.

Memorial of Eugene Hale and others of Hancock county bar, for the same.

On motion of Mr. McFadden of Dresden, this petition and memorial were laid on the table.

The following House order came from the Senate:

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

The Senate non-concurred in reference to the committee on financial affairs, and amended the order by substituting the words "committee on agriculture," for the words "committee on financial affairs."

Mr. Parkhurst of Bangor, moved that the House non-concur with the Senate in the adoption of their amendment.

Mr. Manley of Augusta: This is a matter, I think, that properly belongs to the committee on agriculture. It has always been there, and I do not understand why we should take it out of its regular course and send it to the finance committee. It is a matter that has always been referred in past Legislatures to the committee on agriculture, and I think that there is where it properly belongs. I think the Senate is right and I hope that the House will concur in the action of that body.

Mr. Parkhurst of Bangor: I have been informed that this matter went to the committee on finance, two years ago.

Mr. Beal of Bangor: This is a matter of appropriation clearly and should be considered by the committee on finance. It has nothing to do with changing the law, and the finance committee is the only committee to properly consider the order. The order has had a passage in the House once, and I hope that the House will adhere to its action.

The question being on the motion to non-concur with the Senate amendment, a division was had and the motion was lost by a vote of 53 to 63.

The question then being to reconsider the action whereby the House passed the order, yesterday, it was agreed to.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the adoption of the amendment.

The report of the committee on financial affairs came from the Senate, reporting ought to pass on resolve authorizing a temporary loan for war purposes and appropriating the same.

This resolve came from the Senate passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules.

The rules were suspended, the resolve received its two several readings and was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Petitions, bills, etc., presented and referred:

#### JUDICIARY.

By Mr. Donham of Hebron—Petition of William E. Sargent and others to incorporate the Hebron Water Company.

By Mr. Hutchings of Brewer—Petition of D. A. Sargent and 41 others in relation to raising the salaries of the judges of the supreme judicial court.

On motion of Mr. Wilson of Gorham, this petition was laid on the table.

By Mr. Wood of Camden—Petition of C. E. Littlefield and 25 others of Knox county for increase of salary of justices of the supreme judicial court.

By Mr. West of Biddeford—Petition of Willis P. Emmonds and 19 others, members of York county bar, for same.

Mr. McFadden of Dresden moved to reconsider the action whereby these two petitions were referred to the judiciary committee.

A division being had the motion was lost by a vote of 48 to 67.

Mr. McFadden of Dresden: I desire to present the following order, out of order:

Ordered, That hereafter all petitions for increase of salaries or for any other purpose be referred to the petitioners themselves, with instructions to report forthwith by bill or otherwise.

I think, in consideration of the action just had by the House, that this order ought to pass. It is well known that

the judiciary committee are the petitioners for the increase of the judges salaries; and if the petitions in this case are referred to the petitioners, I don't see why they should not be in all cases. (Laughter.)

Mr. Smith of Presque Isle: It is entirely unnecessary to make any answer to the gentleman from Dresden (Mr. McFadden) but I want to say, as a member of the judiciary committee, that I am not one of the petitioners for the increase of the judges' salaries, and I do not know of any member of that committee who is a petitioner. It is possible that there may be, but I am not aware of the fact if such is the case. (Applause.)

Mr. Perkins of Cornish: I wish to say that I am not a petitioner, and I am a member of the judiciary committee. (Applause.)

Mr. Virgin of Portland: I am a member of the judiciary committee and I have not signed any petition in favor of the increase of the salaries of the judges, and I would like to have the gentleman from Dresden (Mr. McFadden) name such members of the committee who have done so.

Mr. Philbrook of Waterville: I desire to say to the gentleman from Dresden and to the members of the House, that I am not a petitioner for an increase of the judges' salaries. I have the honor to be a member of the judiciary committee, also. I certainly hope that the suggestion of the gentleman from Portland (Mr. Virgin) will prevail that the gentleman from Dresden (Mr. McFadden) name members of that committee who are petitioners for an increase of the judges' salaries.

Mr. Harris of Auburn: I am also a member of the judiciary committee, but I am not a petitioner for the increase of salaries of the judges.

Mr. McFadden of Dresden: I beg the pardon of the several gentlemen. I understood that this was a movement of the bar generally through the State, and I knew that the judiciary committee were all members of the bar. I do not know who are the petitioners individually, I don't know as any of the committee are, but I supposed they were as the lawyers generally through the State are petitioners. That is all I based my statement upon. If I have

done wrong to any gentleman, I am sorry.

Mr. Manley of Augusta: I am a member of the judiciary committee, but I have not seen any petition for an increase of the judges' salaries, and I don't believe any member of the committee has.

Mr. Merrill of Skowhegan: I believe that all the other members of the judiciary committee except myself have stated that they have not signed that petition. I don't know what their position upon it is. It was presented to me to sign and I refused to sign it.

The question being on the motion that the order receive a passage, the motion was lost.

By Mr. Manley of Augusta—Petition of H. M. Heath and 22 others, members of the Kennebec bar, praying that the salaries of the judges of the supreme judicial court be raised to \$5000.

By Mr. Parkhurst of Bangor—Petition of N. C. Ayer and 40 others for an increase of the salaries of the judges of the supreme judicial court.

By Mr. Merrill of Skowhegan—Petition in favor of an increase of the salaries of the justices of the supreme judicial court.

Petition of D. D. Stewart and 24 others for same.

#### LEGAL AFFAIRS.

By Mr. Weed of Monticello—Bill, an act to repeal chapter 329 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to repair of high-ways.

By Mr. Smith of Presque Isle—Petition of C. J. McPherson and 102 others of Easton and Presque Isle in favor of repealing chapter 329 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to repair of high-ways.

#### FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

By Mr. Virgin of Portland—Petition of John D. Hopkins and others in favor of an appropriation for the temporary home for women and children at Deering.

By Mr. Macomber of Augusta—Resolve in favor of the Augusta City hospital.

#### AGRICULTURE.

By Mr. Beal of Bangor—Resolve making appropriations to cover deficiency for cattle killed on account of tuberculosis by the cattle commissioners.

#### EDUCATION.

By Mr. Stetson of Monmouth—Resolve in favor of Monmouth Academy.

By Mr. Ryerson of Livermore—Resolve in favor of Leavitt Institute.

#### RAILROADS, TELEGRAPHS AND EXPRESSES.

By Mr. Sutherland of Biddeford—Petition for the extension of the Atlantic Shore Line Electric Railroad.

#### INTERIOR WATERS.

By Mr. Beal of Bangor—Bill an act authorizing the city of Bangor to construct a bridge over the Kenduskeag stream near the European and North American Railroad bridge.

By Mr. Murchie of Calais—Bill an act granting the Dennysville Lumber Company additional rights.

By Mr. Britton of Bucksport—Bill an act authorizing the construction of a wharf into the tide water of Penobscot river in the town of Bucksport.

#### WAYS AND BRIDGES.

By Mr. Laliberte of Fort Kent—Resolve in favor of building a bridge over Fish river in the town of Fort Kent.

By Mr. Hughes of Amity—Petition of J. A. Robbins and 36 others for a bridge across the thoroughfare between North lake and Grand lake.

By Mr. Adams of Mayfield—Resolve in favor of repairing and maintaining Babbit Ridge road in the town of Moscow, county of Somerset.

#### INLAND FISHERIES AND GAME.

By Mr. Sutherland of Biddeford—Petition of O. F. Stackpole and 100 others of Biddeford for protection of deer in York county.

By Mr. MacFarlane of Greenville—Bill an act to secure better protection to inland fisheries and game by registration of guides and providing for properly trained guides.

#### SHORE FISHERIES.

By Mr. Sargent of Sedwick—Petition of George M. Warren and others relating to the taking of fish in Bagaduce river.

By Mr. Harman of Machiasport—Petition of George A. Welch and others requesting that the taking of fish with trawls between the islands known as The Brothers and Double Head Shots be prohibited.

**TOWNS.**

By Mr. Johonnett of Palmyra—Petition of Charles C. Barns and 10 others, with accompanying bill, to set off certain tracts of land from Pittsfield village corporation.

**PENSIONS.**

By Mr. Hill of Belfast—Petition of Mathias A. Cullman and others for increase of pension.

**INDIAN AFFAIRS.**

By Mr. Peabody of Princeton—Resolve in favor of Thomas Bailey, representative of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians.

**LINCOLN COUNTY DELEGATION.**

By Mr. Peaslee of Wiscasset—Bill an act to amend Section 4, Chapter 115, of the Revised Statutes, relating to the register of probate of Lincoln county.

**ORDERS.**

On motion by Mr. Wilson of Brunswick,

Ordered, That the committee on inland fisheries and game be directed to inquiry into the expediency of continuing the close time on deer for six years in the counties of York, Cumberland and Sagadahoc, and report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Presque Isle,

Ordered, That the Senate concurring, the secretary of State is requested and hereby authorized to furnish at the expense of the State such postage stamps and stationery to the clerks of the joint standing committees as may be necessary for the proper discharge of their official duties.

On motion of Mr. Hassell of Sebec, Ordered, That the clerk of the House be authorized to furnish wrappers and postage stamps to each member of the House and the clerk himself, not to exceed \$10 in amount, for the purpose of distributing the various reports of departments of State and other public documents such as they may desire to mail to citizens of the State.

On motion of Mr. DeCoster of Buckfield,

Ordered, That the board of agriculture be allowed the use of this hall on Wednesday evening, Jan. 18.

On motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Bangor,

Ordered, That, on Tuesday next, the House shall proceed to vote for a senator in Congress for the full term from March 4, 1899, in accordance with the laws of the United States.

On motion by Mr. Manley of Augusta,

Ordered, That the State treasurer be requested to furnish the committee on financial affairs with all information relating to the appropriations in the possession of the committee.

On motion of Mr. Guernsey of Dover, Ordered, That the committee on library be instructed to inquire into the expediency of enacting a general law for a system of travelling libraries, and report by bill or otherwise.

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.**

Mr. Freese, from the committee on interior waters, on bill an act entitled an act to incorporate the Piscataquis River Improvement Company, reported that the same be printed and re-committed.

Mr. Freese, from the same committee, on bill, an act to amend Chapter 130 of the Private and Special Laws of 1866, entitled an act to incorporate the Sebec Dam Company, reported that the same be printed and re-committed.

Mr. Freese, from the same committee, on bill, an act to extend and amend the charters of the Penobscot Boom Corporation and the Penobscot Lumbering Association, reported that the same be printed and re-committed.

On motion by Mr. Kilborn of Bethel, Adjourned.