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OF THE
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OF THE
STATE OF MAINE.

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HOUSE.

Monday, Jan. 23, 1899.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Leshner of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

Bill an act to change the name of Colby University.

On motion of Mr. Chase of Portland, the rules were suspended, the bill received its several readings at the present time and was passed to be engrossed.

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

JUDICIARY.

By Mr. Kalloch of South Thomaston—Petition of Fred C. Marden and 43 others in favor of an act to amend chapter 570 of the Private and Special Laws of 1874, as amended by chapter 85 of the Private and Special Laws of 1875.

Petition of W. S. Carver and 15 others in favor of same.

By Mr. Girdler of Mercer—Remonstrance of J. F. Libby of Fairfield, against the passage of the veterinary bill.

Remonstrance of D. G. Wood and 26 others of Mercer, against increasing the salaries of the supreme court judges.

By Mr. Manley of Augusta—Bill an act relating to mortgages by corporations.

By Mr. Sutherland of Biddeford—Bill an act additional, relating to the appointment and compensation of the recorder of the municipal court of the city of Biddeford.

By Mr. Maxcy of Gardiner—Bill an act to repeal chapter 111 of the Private and Special Laws of 1872, entitled an act authorizing the city of Gardiner to raise money for the maintenance of a public library.

By Mr. Smith of Presque Isle—Bill an act to amend section 1. of chapter 525 of the Private and Special Laws of the year 1885, relating to the Presque Isle Village Fire Department.

By Mr. Belleau of Lewiston—Bill an act to amend section 2 of chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes relating to minors.

By Mr. Manley of Augusta—Bill an act to regulate the appointment and powers of receivers of corporations.

By Mr. Harris of Auburn—Petition of Ara Cushman and 20 others in favor of increasing the salaries of the justices of the supreme judicial court.

By Mr. Peaslee of Wiscasset—Petition of R. T. Rundlet and 50 others of Wiscasset, in favor of same.

By Mr. Manley of Augusta—Petition of R. S. Partridge and seven others of Whitefield, in favor of same.

By Mr. Harris of Auburn—Petition of W. W. Stetson and 24 others of Auburn, for an amendment of charter of the city of Auburn in relation to the construction of sidewalks.

By Mr. Manley of Augusta—Petition of F. L. Hersey and nine others of Augusta, in favor of prohibiting the use of trading stamps.

Petition of Frank Redington and 47 others of Waterville, in favor of same.

By Mr. Fogg of Freeport—Petition of B. F. Dennison and 47 others of Freeport in favor of same.

By Mr. Kalloch of South Thomaston—Bill an act to amend chapter 570 of the Private and Special Laws of 1874, as amended by chapter 85 of the Private and Special Laws of 1875.

By Mr. Manley of Augusta—Bill an act relating to returns by foreign or domestic corporations.

Bill an act to incorporate the American Ice Company.

LEGAL AFFAIRS.

By Mr. Farrell of Van Buren—Petition of Joseph T. Gagnon and 67 others, for the repeal of chapter 329 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to election of road commissioners.

Petition of Remi Cyr and 126 others, for same.

By Mr. Bennett of Hollis—Petition of A. B. Burnham and 18 others of Hollis, for same.

Petition of Lewis O. Bradbury and 28 others of Hollis, relating to same.

By Mr. Hahn of Waldoboro—Petition of Gardner J. Nash and 140 others of Waldoboro, for repeal of chapter 329 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to highways.

By Mr. Smith of Presque Isle—Petition of William M. Robinson and 162 others of Presque Isle, Easton and vicinity, for same.

By Mr. Farrell of Van Buren—Petition of John Cyr and 47 others of Hamlin, for same.

Petition of Antoine Michaud and 37 others of Cyr Plantation, for same.

By Mr. Macfarlane of Greenville—Petition of Asa Smith and 75 others of Wellington, for same.

By Mr. Nickerson of Swanville—Petition of Omar G. Hussey and 11 others of Waldo, for same.

By Mr. Bennett of Hollis—Petition of Calven Roberts and 19 others of Hollis, for same.

By Mr. Blackstone of Perham—Petition of C. M. Morris and 42 others of Limestone, for same.

By Mr. Smith of Presque Isle—Petition of E. B. Sprague and 57 others of Presque Isle and Easton, for same.

Petition of Joel Bean and 37 others of Presque Isle and Easton, for same.

By Mr. Blackstone of Perham—Petition of L. E. Bearce and 96 others of Woodland, for same.

By Mr. Bryant of Knox—Petition of the selectmen of the town of Burnham and 43 others, that an act be passed legalizing all doings of said town previous to this date.

By Mr. Field of Oakland—Bill an act relating to practice in probate courts of Maine.

By Mr. Chase of Portland—Bill an act relating to sealers of weights and measures.

By Mr. Kernon of Sanford—Bill an act to amend section 7, of chapter 522 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, by providing an additional term each month of the Sanford municipal court.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

By Mr. Macomber of Augusta—Petition of F. W. Plaisted and 28 others of Augusta, in favor of an appropriation for the Temporary Home for Women and children at Deering.

RAILROADS, TELEGRAPHS AND EXPRESSES.

By Mr. Peaslee of Wiscasset—Bill an act relating to the charter of the Wiscasset and Quebec Railroad.

BANKS AND BANKING.

By Mr. Harris of Auburn—Bill an act authorizing the Lewiston Trust and Safe Deposit Company to establish a branch at Lisbon.

MILITARY AFFAIRS.

By Mr. Hicks of Rockland—Resolve in favor of the city of Rockland, Me.

INTERIOR WATERS.

By Mr. Freese of Argyle—Bill an act giving a lien for shoring and running logs."

WAYS AND BRIDGES.

By Mr. Thayer of Lubec—Petition of George H. Jones and 18 others, for an appropriation to be expended on roads and bridges in the town of Trescott, during the year 1899.

INLAND FISHERIES AND GAME.

By Mr. Taylor of Hope—Communication of T. S. Bowden relative to protection of salmon in Crystal lake.

By Mr. Esty of Rangeley—Petition of H. A. Furbish and 109 others of Franklin county, for a law to prohibit bait fishing in the seven ponds in said county.

By Mr. Taylor of Hope—Petition of M. D. Rokes and 50 others of Hope and Rockport, for protection of pickerel in Grassy pond.

By Mr. Kernon of Sanford—Bill an act for the protection of fish in Littlefield ponds in Sanford, in the county of York.

SHORE FISHERIES.

By Mr. Kalloch of South Thomaston—Petition of J. T. McKillan and 15 others of South Thomaston, for an act to protect the weir fishermen.

By Mr. Sargent of Sedgwick—Petition of Sewell E. Peters and others relating to the taking of fish in Bagaduce river.

TOWNS.

By Mr. Hopkins of Deering—Petition of Asher C. Hines and 75 others, for the annexation of Deering to Portland.

By Mr. Webb of Portland—Petition of Joseph W. Symonds and 12 others, in favor of annexing Willard to Cape Elizabeth.

Petition of Ephraim Dyer and 75 others of Cape Elizabeth for same.

Petition of William G. Davis and 12 others, non-resident real estate owners in Willard, to incorporate the town of Willard, or annex it to Cape Elizabeth.

Petition of H. E. Willard and 66 others, to divide South Portland, incorporate the town of Willard or annex it to Cape Elizabeth.

Petition of A. D. Boyd and 46 others, to incorporate the town of Willard.

STATE PRISON.

By Mr. Hicks of Rockland—Petition of George W. Metcalf and 11 others, for an amendment to section 1, of chapter 115, of the Revised Statutes, relating to salaries of State prison officials.

Bill an act to amend section 1, of chapter 115, of the Revised Statutes, relating to salaries of public officers.

ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY DELEGATION.

By Mr. Harris of Auburn—Bill an act to fix the salary of the register of probate for the county of Androscoggin.

ORDERS.

On motion by Mr. Gurnsey of Dover, Ordered, That the committee on legal affairs be instructed to inquire into the expediency of creating the office of State auditor, in accordance with the recommendations relating thereto contained in the inaugural address of Governor Powers, and report if legislation is necessary or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Philbrook of Waterville, this order was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Gurnsey of Dover, Ordered, That the committee on legal affairs be directed to inquire into the expediency of revising the Public Laws of the State of Maine, and report a resolve relating thereto, or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Manley of Augusta, this order was laid on the table.

Mr. Manley of Augusta: I gave notice the other day that I would introduce an order, which I now have here, and I desire to say that I have fixed the 15th of February in the order because that is the birthday of the late Mr. Dingley.

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that a committee, consisting of the Governor, President of the Senate and Speaker of the House, be appointed to arrange for suitable memorial exercises to be held in the House of Representatives on Wednesday, the 15th of February, that the Executive department and members of the Legislature may pay their tribute of respect to the memory of the late Nelson Dingley. The order received a passage.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Smith from the committee on the judiciary, on petition of C. F. Creamer and 66 others, relating to highways,

chapter 329, of the Public Laws of 1897, reported that the petition be referred to the committee on legal affairs.

READ AND ASSIGNED.

Bill, an act to extend the charter of the Waterville & Wiscasset Railroad Co.

Bill, an act ratifying the purchase of the Bangor & Piscataquis Railroad and authorizing a mortgage thereof, by the Bangor & Aroostook Railroad Co.

Bill, an act to amend section 54, of chapter 51, of the Revised Statutes, relating to assignment of charter or rights under it by railroad corporations.

Resolve in favor of roads in the Indian township, Washington county.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

On motion of Mr. Philbrook of Waterville, the House reconsidered the vote of Friday, whereby it concurred with the Senate in referring to the judiciary committee an act relating to the extension of the charter of the Franklin, Somerset & Kennebec Railway Co., and on further motion by the same gentleman, the House non-concurred with the Senate in its reference and referred the bill to the committee on railroads, telegraphs and expresses.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Presque Isle, the report of the secretary of State in relation to the expense of the Australian ballot law was taken from the table and referred to the judiciary committee.

The Speaker appointed on the part of the House, on the committee on salaries, Messrs. Wilson of Gorham, Plummer of Portland, Bryant of Knox, Fields of Oakland, Spurr of Otisfield, Brown of Falmouth and West of Biddeford.

On motion of Mr. King of Caribou, Adjourned.