

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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

1899.

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By Mr. Weeks of Somerset—Petitions of F. P. Pennell and 26 others of Skowhegan; Lyman G. Jordan and 122 others, faculty and students of Bates College and Latin school, for the same.

By Mr. Chamberlain of Lincoln—Bill an act to incorporate the Nash Telephone Co. with enlarged and extended franchise and powers.

SALARIES.

By Mr. Sharp of Aroostook—Bill an act establishing the salary of the county attorney for the county of Aroostook.

PLACED ON FILE.

By Mr. Witham of Cumberland—Remonstrance of Wm. W. Haley and 66 others of Sebago, against further special close time on deer in Cumberland county.

By Mr. Weeks of Somerset—Remonstrance of J. Allen Jones and 92 others of Fairfield, against increase of salaries of justices of the supreme judicial court.

READ AND ASSIGNED.

Bill an act to fix the salary of the register of probate for the county of Cumberland.

Resolve for an appropriation for the use of the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries.

Bill an act to authorize the construction of a dam at the outlet of the mill pond at New Harbor in the town of Bristol.

Bill an act in relation to enforcing the liability of shareholders in trust and banking companies.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Grindle for the committee on Insane hospital reported in new draft resolve in favor of the Maine Insane hospital. Report accepted and resolve tabled for printing under rule.

PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.

Bill an act to change the time for holding sessions of the county commissioners of Washington county.

TABLED.

Bill an act to establish the Bar Harbor municipal court.

This bill came up for its first reading and on motion by Mr. Grindle of Hancock, was laid on the table.

PASSED TO BE ENACTED.

An act to amend Chapter 144 of the Revised Statutes relating to State pensions.

FINALLY PASSED.

Resolve in favor of Charles T. Powers.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

On motion by Mr. Plummer of Penobscot, resolve for State pensions was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Grindle of Hancock, resolve in favor of Bluehill-George Stevens Academy was taken from the table, given its second reading and passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Plummer of Penobscot,

Adjourned.

HOUSE.

Monday, Feb. 13, 1899.

The House was called to order by the clerk.

On motion by Mr. Wood of Camden, Ordered, That in the absence of the Speaker, Hon. Warren C. Philbrook of Waterville, be and hereby is elected and chosen Speaker pro tem.

Mr. Philbrook took the chair amidst applause.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Williamson of Augusta.

On motion by Mr. Hopkins of Deering, the clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate informing that body that, in the absence of the Speaker, the House had elected Warren C. Philbrook Speaker pro tem.

The clerk subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him.

On motion by Mr. Smith of Presque Isle, the assistant clerk was charged with and conveyed a similar message to the Governor and Council.

The assistant clerk subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him.

A message was received from the Senate informing the House that, in the absence of the President, Hon. Louis C. Stearns had been elected President pro tem.

The Speaker pro tem. announced the message to the House.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

The following Senate bills and resolves were read and assigned:

Bill an act to extend the charter of the Maine Water and Electric Co.

Bill an act to repeal so much of section 5, of chapter 30, of the Revised Statutes, as relates to the bounty on bears.

Resolve in favor of procuring portraits of the past presiding officers of the State Senate.

Resolve in favor of the Maine State library for the years 1899 and 1900.

The following bills, petitions, etc., were presented and referred, matters of a private nature being introduced under suspension of rule limiting the same to Feb. 1:

JUDICIARY.

By Mr. Merrill of New Gloucester—Petition of A. W. Millar and W. F. Smith of Hartland, for an amendment to the present ballot law.

By Mr. Smith of Presque Isle—Bill an act to authorize registers of probate to receive petitions in vacation and the judge of probate to order notice thereon in vacation.

LEGAL AFFAIRS.

By Mr. Weed of Monticello—Petition of George Crosby and 63 others of Littleton, for repeal of chapter 329, of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the repair of highways.

By Mr. Smith of Hartland—Petition of A. P. Bailey and 12 others of Harmony, for same.

By Mr. Field of Oakland—Petition of H. E. Maines and 26 others of Oakland, for same.

By Mr. Dawson of Monroe—Remonstrance of E. H. Nealey and 73 others against the appointment of a highway engineer.

By Mr. Parker of Glenburn—Remonstrance of J. M. Robinson and 70 others of Carmel, against the creation of the office of State road commissioner.

Remonstrance of F. O. Prescott and 23 others of Hermon, against same.

Remonstrance of D. D. Roberts and 23 others of Carmel, against same.

Remonstrance of Abner T. French and 7 others, of Glenburn, against same.

By Mr. Chick of Clifton—Remonstrance of J. H. Comins and 15 others of East Eddington, against same.

Remonstrance of William A. Rowe and 3 others of East Eddington, against same.

Remonstrance of G. W. Rand and 26 others of Levant, against same.

RAILROADS, TELEGRAPHS AND EXPRESSES.

By Mr. Smith of Hartland—Petition of W. F. Smith and 89 others of Hartland, in favor of an act requiring railroad corporations of this State to issue mileage books, at two cents per mile, good to bearer.

By Mr. Hassell of Sebec—Petition of James Hudson and 79 others of Guilford, for same.

By Mr. Macfarlane—Petition of J. M. Prentiss and 44 others of Greenville, for same.

By Mr. Bryant of Knox—Petition of H. W. Woods and 75 others of Knox, for same.

By Mr. Dawson of Monroe—Petition of F. E. Palmer and 25 others of Monroe, for same.

By Mr. Freese of Argyle—Petition of I. M. Pierce and 29 others of Montague, for same.

Mr. Weed of Monticello—Petition of L. F. Hall and 36 others of Littleton, for same.

By Mr. Freese of Argyle—Petition of A. H. Weymouth and 49 others of Howland, for same.

By Mr. Dunning of Winslow—Petition of Joseph Eaton and 34 others of Winslow, for same.

By Mr. Kallock of South Thomaston—Petition of John Blethen and 39 others of South Thomaston, for same.

By Mr. Forhan of Raymond—Petition of F. H. Hawkes and 11 others of Raymond, for same.

By Mr. Fitz of Durham—Petition of R. W. Stone and 29 others of Poland, for same.

By Mr. Hahan of Waldoboro—Petition of R. R. Nevens and 40 others of Waldoboro, for same.

By Mr. Forhan of Raymond—Petition of Charles Davis and 38 others of Sebago, for same.

By Mr. Dunning of Winslow—Petition of J. O. Peaslee and 43 others of Benton, for same.

By Mr. Guernsey of Dover—Petition of W. D. Blethen and 40 others of Dover, for same.

By Mr. Hopkins of Deering—Petition of L. B. Dennett and 24 others of Portland, for same.

By Mr. Parker of Glenburn—Petition of G. W. Read and 26 others of Levant, for same.

By Mr. Merrill of Skowhegan—Petition of W. T. Merrill and 56 others of Skowhegan, in favor of same.

INLAND FISHERIES AND GAME.

By Mr. Craig of Island Falls—Petition of L. E. Jackman and 42 others of Sherman Mills, for an amendment to the law relating to the taking of salmon on the east branch of Penobscot river. (Received under suspension of rules.)

By Mr. Gardner of Patten—Bill an act relating to the taking of salmon, during open season with drift nets on the east branch of the Penobscot river.

PLACED ON FILE.

By Mr. Brown of Warren—Remonstrance of O. W. Counce and 75 others of Warren, against increase of salaries for judges of the supreme judicial court.

By Mr. Peabody of Princeton—Credentials of Sebattis Shay, representative of the Penobscot Tribe of Indians.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Gardner from the Penobscot county delegation, reported legislation inexpedient on bill an act relating to the salary of the judge of the Bangor municipal court.

Mr. Guernsey from the committee on library, on order reported bill an act to establish travelling libraries; also resolve in favor of same.

The reports were accepted and the bill and resolve ordered printed under joint rules.

READ AND ASSIGNED.

Bill an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Madawaska Agricultural Society."

Bill an act to establish the Rumford Falls municipal court.

Bill an act to establish a municipal court in the town of East Livermore.

Bill an act to amend Section 2, Chapter 166 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, entitled "an act creating the Fort Fairfield Village Corporation."

Bill an act to limit the rate of interest on loan on personal property.

Tabled pending first reading on motion by Mr. Field of Oakland.

Bill an act to amend Section 15 of Chapter 113 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter 318 of the Public Laws of 1885, relating to disclosures on mesne process.

Bill an act additional to acts to incorporate the Lockwood Company.

Bill an act to amend the charter of the Public Works Company.

Bill an act granting William S. Hopkins the right to establish and maintain a ferry between North Haven and Vinalhaven.

Bill an act relating to the Indian reservation in the town of Perry, Washington county.

Tabled pending first reading on motion by Mr. King of Caribou.

Bill an act to incorporate the Hebron Water Company.

Bill an act to incorporate the South West Harbor Dam and Bridge Company.

Bill an act to legalize the doings of Rangeley Plantation in Franklin county.

Bill an act to fix the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Penobscot.

Bill an act to amend Chapter 126 of the Public Laws of 1895.

Bill an act to amend Chapter 33 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the burial expenses of honorably discharged soldiers and sailors of Maine.

Bill an act to establish the salary of the county attorney of Penobscot county.

Bill an act to fix the salary of the register of probate for the county of Androscoggin.

Bill an act to establish the salary of the county attorney of Piscataquis county.

Bill an act to establish the Ticonic Foot Bridge Company.

Resolve in relation to extra pay of Maine volunteers in the war with Spain.

Resolve in favor of the Maine General hospital.

Resolve making appropriations for the Penobscot tribe of Indians.

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

Resolve in favor of Sabattis Shay, representative of the Penobscot tribe of Indians.

Resolve in favor of Harriet Upton.

Resolve in favor of the Bangor Children's Home.

PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.

Bill an act to extend and amend the charters of the Penobscot Boom Corporation and the Penobscot Lumbering Corporation.

Bill an act for the extension of the Somerset Railway.

Bill an act authorizing the Lewiston Trust and Safe Deposit Company to establish a branch at Lisbon.

Bill an act relating to the organization and stock and bonds of the United States Envelope Company.

Bill an act to amend Section 6 of Chapter 157 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the rights of widows and widowers in the real estate of deceased husbands and wives.

Bill an act to permit the breeding and raising of quail for purposes of sale by Henry J. Simpson of Sullivan, Maine.

Bill an act to legalize and make void the meeting and doings of the corporation known as the Trustees of the Charity Fund of Caribou Lodge, so called, at Caribou in the county of Aroostook in the State of Maine.

Bill an act to incorporate the North Berwick Trust Company.

Bill an act to annex Franklin Plantation in the town of Oxford, to the towns of Rumford and Peru.

Bill an act to authorize the Stevens Lumber Company to erect and maintain a dam across the Aroostook river in the town of Fort Fairfield.

Tabled pending third reading on motion by Mr. Smith of Presque Isle.

PASSED TO BE ENACTED.

An act to amend Section 25 of Chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes relating to the taking of clams and shell fish.

An act to amend Chapter 450, Private Laws of 1893, relating to the school board of Eastport.

An act to authorize the town of Damariscotta to fund its indebtedness at maturity and to issue new bonds.

An act to establish a municipal court in the town of Newport.

An act amendatory of and additional to Chapter 458 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, entitled "an act to incorporate the Northern Development Company.

FINALLY PASSED.

Resolve in favor of the town of Waldoboro.

Resolve in favor of the Children's Aid Society of Maine.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

On motion of Mr. Craig of Island Falls, the vote whereby the House, February 9, accepted the report of the committee on inland fisheries and game, reporting legislation inexpedient on order relating to hunting partridges with dogs, was reconsidered, and on motion of same gentleman the report was tabled.

On motion of Mr. Deering of Saco, Petition of E. Dyer and 63 others for preventing the taking of smelts by seines in Saco river, was taken from the table, referred to the committee on shore fisheries and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Gardner of Patten, Resolve in favor of repairing the road between Patten and Grand Lake was taken from the table, read once and Wednesday of next week assigned for second reading.

On motion of Mr. Forhan of Raymond,

Adjourned.