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OF THE
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OF THE
STATE OF MAINE.

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HOUSE.

Monday, Feb. 27, 1899.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Hayden of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

The following Senate bills were read and assigned:

An act relating to the Mechanic Falls Water and Electric Light and Power Company.

Senate amendments "A" and "B" were adopted, and the bill was read twice as amended and assigned for tomorrow morning.

Bill an act to incorporate the Sebasticook Manufacturing and Power Company.

Bill an act to incorporate the Portland, Maine, Past Chancellors Association.

Bill an act to extend the charter of the Winn Water and Power Company and to amend the same.

Tabled by Mr. Hutchings of Brewer, pending third reading.

Resolve in favor of summer training schools for teachers and the distribution of educational documents.

Senate amendment "A" was adopted and the bill was then read twice as amended and assigned for tomorrow morning.

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

JUDICIARY.

By Mr. Daigle of Madawaska—Remonstrance of John Parrant and others against the moving of the Northern Aroostook registry of deeds from Madawaska to Fort Kent.

By Mr. Merrill of Skowhegan—Bill an act to authorize the town of Skowhegan to perfect its title to the school property in said town.

LEGAL AFFAIRS.

By Mr. Merrill of New Gloucester—Bill an act relating to the compensation of selectmen and assessors.

TAXATION.

By Mr. Hutchings of Brewer—Bill an act to amend sections 55 and 56, of chapter 6, of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 72, of the Public Laws of 1887, chapter 235, of the Pub-

lic Laws of 1893, and chapter 49, of the Public Laws of 1895.

AGRICULTURE.

By Mr. Dawson of Monroe—Remonstrance of W. H. Jones and 42 others of China, against the repeal of the feeding stuffs inspection law.

Remonstrance of E. H. Nealley and 27 others of Monroe, against same.

Remonstrance of E. C. Dow and 20 others of Monroe, against same.

By Mr. Fitz of Durham—Remonstrance of Westley Day and 36 others of Durham, against same.

By Mr. Stetson of Monmouth—Remonstrance of G. W. Walton and 24 others of Wayne, against same.

TOWNS.

By Mr. Woodbridge of Newcastle—Petition of B. S. Fifield and 19 others of Boothbay, for the setting off of Ocean Park from the town of Old Orchard and annexing the same to the city of Saco.

By Mr. Purinton of Woolwich—Petition of Joseph Nickerson and 12 others of Woolwich, for same.

PLACED ON FILE.

By Mr. Forhan of Raymond—Petition of H. J. Lane and 43 others of East Raymond, that the law relating to road commissioner be left optional with towns.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY DELEGATION

By Mr. Hopkins of Deering—Bill an act to amend section 60, of chapter 27, of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 317, of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to intoxicating liquors.

Was tabled pending reference to the delegation and ordered printed on motion of Mr. Chase of Portland.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Hopkins from the committee on legal affairs, reported ought not to pass on bill an act giving trial justices within and for the county of Waldo concurrent jurisdiction with the police court of the city of Belfast in all matters wherein the debt or damages does not exceed \$20 and in actions of forcible entry and detainer.

Mr. Ryerson from the committee on education, on bill an act to amend the charter of the city of Ellsworth, relating to the school board, reported that same be referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Burns from same committee, on resolve in favor of the establishment of a normal school in the city of Calais, reported that same be referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. Webster from same committee, reported leave to withdraw on petition of B. C. Plummer and others that a change in the law relative to the raising of money by towns for the support of common schools, be made.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on petition of J. E. White and others of Columbia, for change in the law relative to the raising of money by towns for support of common schools.

Mr. Farrell from the committee on interior waters, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Warren E. Chute and others for improvement of Sango and Chute rivers.

Mr. Rowell from the committee on ways and bridges, on resolve in aid of building a bridge across the Kennebec river between the towns of Bingham and Concord in Somerset county, reported that same be referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. Craig from same committee, reported leave to withdraw on petition of A. Robbins and others that an appropriation be granted to repair or rebuild a bridge across the Thoroughfare between North and Grand lakes in the town of Orient.

Mr. Bridgman from same committee, reported ought not to pass on resolve in favor of aid in building bridge across St. Croix stream in the town of Masardis, county of Aroostook.

Mr. Macfarlane from the committee on inland fisheries and game, on petition of E. B. Ingraham and others for open time to kill deer in Knox county, reported that the subject of petition is incorporated in the general law now before the Legislature.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on petition of A. F. Fellows and others that fishing through the ice in the ponds in the town of Chester-ville be prohibited.

Same gentleman from same committee, on petition of H. A. Furbish and others that a law be passed prohibiting the taking of trout known as blue-backs from the Ragenley lakes for a term of six years, reported that the same be referred to the commissioners of inland fisheries and game, as the subject matter of the petition properly comes under their jurisdiction.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported leave to withdraw on petition of William Hoyt and others for a close time on Rodgers pond in the town of Ripley.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported ought not to pass on resolve in favor of John G. Fleming.

The reports were accepted and were sent to the Senate.

Mr. Chase from the committee on legal affairs, reported ought to pass in new draft under same title, bill an act to incorporate the Sullivan Harbor Water Company.

Mr. Hopkins from same committee, reported ought to pass on bill an act to create a lien upon hay for the cutting and pressing thereof.

Mr. Burns from the committee on education, reported ought to pass on resolve in favor of Madawaska Training School.

Mr. Ryerson from same committee, reported same on resolve in favor of normal school trustees.

Mr. Webster from same committee, reported same on resolve in favor of State Normal School.

Mr. Walker from same committee, reported ought to pass in new draft under same title, bill an act to amend section 3 of chapter 216 of the Public Laws of 1893, as amended by section 1, chapter 295 of the Public Laws of 1897.

Mr. Macfarlane from the committee on inland fisheries and game reported ought to pass in new draft under same title bill an act for the protection of the fish in the tributaries of Moosehead lake.

Mr. Harmon from the committee on shore fisheries, on petition, reported bill an act to regulate the taking of herring in the town of Cutler.

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Mr. Chase from the committee on legal affairs, reported ought to pass in new draft under same title, bill an act relating to chapter 366 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, entitled "an act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Water Company."

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rule.

READ AND ASSIGNED.

Bill an act to authorize the Pepperell Manufacturing Company and the Laconia Company to consolidate.

Read the third time and passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules, on motion by Mr. Deering of Saco.

Bill an act to set off part of the town of Trescott and annex the some to the town of Edmunds.

Pending second reading Mr. Wilson of Cherryfield offered amendment A, which was adopted, and the bill was then read a second time as amended, and assigned for tomorrow morning.

Bill an act to establish the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Hancock.

Bill an act to incorporate the Van Buren Water Company.

Bill an act to amend chapter 72, Special Laws of 1887, in relation to the taking of fish in Nequasset lake.

Tabled pending third reading on motion by Mr. Philbrook of Waterville.

Bill an act to amend chapter 135 of the Public Acts of 1895, and acts additional thereto.

Bill an act to incorporate the Ogunquit Sewerage Company.

Read the third time and passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules on motion by Mr. Philbrook of Waterville.

Bill an act to incorporate the Strong Water Company.

Tabled pending third reading on motion by Mr. Wilbur of Avon.

Bill an act to extend the charter and rights of the Sanford Mills.

Bill an act relating to chapter 472 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, entitled "An act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Light and Power Company."

Bill an act relating to the Young Men's Christian Association of Portland, Maine.

Read the third time and passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules on motion by Mr. Philbrook of Waterville.

Bill an act to extend the charter of the Orono Water Company.

Bill an act in reference to Boston Auction Company.

Bill an act to amend section 1 of chapter 298 of the Public Laws of 1889, as amended by the Public Laws of 1899, relating to hawkers and peddlers.

Tabled pending first reading on motion by Mr. Hix of Rockland.

Bill an act to incorporate the Dixfield Fire Engine Company.

Bill an act to legalize the calling and holding of the annual town meeting of

the town of Jefferson in the year A. D. 1897.

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.

Resolve providing for the payment to the city of Eastport, the amount deducted from said city's proportion of the school fund, for the year 1898, on account of imperfect school return.

Resolve in favor of the town of Canton.

Resolve in favor of Charles M. Bradbury of Biddeford, in the county of York.

Resolve in favor of settling lots in Drew plantation.

Resolve in favor of Hartland academy.

Resolve in favor of Parsonsfield seminary, Parsonsfield, Maine.

PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.

Bill an act authorizing the Manufacturing Investment Company to locate, erect and maintain piers and booms in the Kennebec river.

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

Bill an act relating to sealers of weights and measurers.

Bill an act giving lien for shoring and running logs.

Bill an act for the prevention of certain kinds of nuisances.

PASSED TO BE ENACTED.

An act granting additional powers to the proprietors of Forest Grove Cemetery, in Augusta, Maine.

An act to amend chapter 136, of the Public Laws of 1895, in relation to the support of wives and children by husbands living apart.

An act authorizing the city of Lewiston, to issue its bonds to an amount not exceeding \$51,000 to meet its bonds now outstanding, and maturing in the year 1900.

An act amendatory and additional to chapter 18, of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 329, of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the repair of highways.

An act to incorporate the Citizen's Trust Company.

An act to establish the Bar Harbor municipal court.

FINALLY PASSED.

Resolve in favor of the Maine General hospital.

Resolve in favor of Westbrook seminary.

Resolve in favor of repairing and maintaining Babbitt Ridge road in the town of Moscow in the county of Somerset.

Resolve making appropriations for the Penobscot tribe of Indians.

Resolve in favor of repairing the road between Patten and Grand Lake.

Resolve in favor of Calais academy.

Resolve in favor of Women's Christian Temperance Union.

Resolve in favor of Harriet Upton.

Resolve in favor of the Bangor Children's Home.

Resolve in favor of East Corinth academy.

Resolve appropriating money to carry into effect an act establishing Traveling Libraries.

Resolve in favor of Monmouth academy.

Resolve in favor of Patten academy.

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

Resolve in favor of extra pay of Maine Volunteers in the war with Spain.

Resolve in favor of Anson academy.

Resolve in favor of Cherryfield academy.

Resolve in favor of the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum.

Resolve in favor of Springfield Normal school.

Resolve in favor of Leavitt institute.

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

Resolve in favor of the town of Madawaska.

Were reported from the committee on engrossed bills as truly and strictly engrossed, bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

On motion by Mr. Pierce of Blaine, the vote was reconsidered whereby the House accepted the report of the committee on legal affairs, reporting ought to pass on bill an act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Water Company, and on further motion by the same gentleman, the bill was recommitted to the committee.

On motion by Mr. Parkhurst of Bangor, the vote was reconsidered whereby the report of the committee on military affairs, on bill relating to the

better observance of Memorial day, was assigned for Thursday next, and on further motion by the same gentleman Friday next, was assigned for its consideration.

On motion by Mr. Crane of Whitney, Adjourned.