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**SENATE.**

Friday, Feb. 3, 1899.

Senate met according to adjournment. Prayer by Rev. Mr. Lewis of Gardiner. Journal of yesterday read and approved. Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

The following order came from the House and on motion by Mr. Stearns of Aroostook, was laid on the table:

Ordered, The Senate concurring that the several joint standing committees be and are hereby instructed to make their final reports on or before March 3, 1899.

The following bill came from the House passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules:

An act to annex the city of Deering to the city of Portland.

The bill was read once, and on motion by Mr. Adams of Penobscot, the rules were suspended, the bill read the second time and passed to be engrossed.

A communication was received from the secretary of State, transmitting the report of the treasurer of the State of Maine, and was referred to the committee on financial affairs.

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

**JUDICIARY.**

By Mr. Hamlin of Hancock—Bill an act relative to marriage and the legitimacy of children.

**LEGAL AFFAIRS.**

By Mr. Weeks of Somerset—Bill an act to amend section 31, chapter 116, R. S., relating to costs in trial justice courts.

Bill an act to amend section 3, chapter 87, R. S., relating to the jurisdiction of trial justices.

By Mr. Reynolds of Cumberland—Bill an act to amend section 44, chapter 2, R. S., relating to distribution of printed copies of public laws.

**SEA AND SHORE FISHERIES.**

By Mr. Chamberlain of Lincoln—Bill an act to amend chapter 285 of the Public Laws of 1897 relating to sea and shore fisheries.

Resolve in favor of the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries.

**ORDERS.**

On motion by Mr. Grindle of Hancock, it was

Ordered, That when the Senate and House adjourn, the House concurring, they adjourn to meet Monday, Feb. 6, at 4.30 o'clock P. M.

This order was sent to the House and subsequently returned passed in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Merrill of Somerset, it was

Ordered, that the State of Maine Cattle Commission be and are hereby directed to furnish the committee on agriculture as soon as practicable a full and itemized account of all their expenditures for the years 1897 and 1898, including the names of owners of all animals destroyed by their orders, with the appraisal of each animal, the amount of money paid veterinarians or other agents; the amount expended in travelling expenses for themselves and their employees; expenses of disinfecting premises and cars or other places, which shall be fully designated; the full amount of the compensation of each of the commissioners and the number of days each has been actually engaged in his duty as commissioner.

**READ AND ASSIGNED.**

An act to amend section 18, chapter 133, R. S., relating to the satisfaction of prosecutions for assault and battery and other misdemeanors.

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.**

Mr. Stearns for the committee on judiciary reported ought to pass on bill an act to authorize the town of Damariscotta to fund its indebtedness at maturity and to issue new bonds. Tabled for printing under rule.

Mr. Peirce for the committee on sea and shore fisheries reported ought to pass on bill an act to amend section 25, chapter 40, R. S., relating to taking clams and shell fish. Tabled for printing.

Mr. Johnston for the committee on State lands and State roads reported ought to pass on resolve in favor of road in Jerusalem Plantation. Tabled for printing.

The same gentleman for the same committee reported ought to pass on resolve in favor of Ignace Blois. Tabled for printing.

**PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.**

An act to amend section 34, chapter 11, R. S. This bill came up for its second reading. Mr. Blanchard of Franklin, offered the following amendment:

Amendment A. After the word "statutes" in the title add the words, "relating to the powers and duties of the superintending school committee to contract with the trustees of academies for free high school instruction," so that said title shall read as follows:

An act to amend section 34, chapter 11, R. S., relating to the powers and duties of the superintending school committee to contract with the trustees of academies for free high school instruction.

The amendment was accepted and the bill as amended read the second time and passed to be engrossed.

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

Resolve in favor of Thomas Bailey, representative of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians.

#### PASSED TO BE ENACTED.

An act authorizing the construction of a wharf into the tide waters of Penobscot river in the town of Bucksport.

An act to extend the charter of the Waldoboro Water and Electric Light and Power Co.

An act relating to the Waldo and Penobscot Agricultural Society.

An act for the protection of fish in the West Outlet of Moosehead lake.

#### FINALLY PASSED.

Resolve to provide means for examination of claims for State pension.

Resolve for the purpose of operating fish hatcheries and feeding stations for fish and for the proper enforcement of the inland fish and game laws.

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Bill an act relating to the salary of justices of the supreme judicial court.

On motion by Mr. Stearns of Aroostook, the vote whereby this bill was specially assigned to Tuesday, Feb. 7, was reconsidered.

Mr. Stearns: At the request of Senator Fernald of Androscoggin, who wishes to be heard upon this question and is unable to be present Tuesday, I move that Wednesday morning be specially assigned as the time for the bill to take its second reading.

Upon this motion, the bill was specially assigned Wednesday, Feb. 8.

On motion by Mr. Vickery of Kennebec, the report of the committee on public buildings, with accompanying order assigning room to the secretary of the Senate, was taken from the table and re-

committed to the committee on public buildings.

Bill an act in relation to the school committee of the city of Portland.

On motion by Mr. Drummond of Cumberland, this bill was taken from the table and Mr. Drummond offered the following amendments:

Amendment A. Amend by substituting the following for section 1:

Section 1. In addition to the members of the school committee of the city of Portland, as now provided by law, there shall be elected by general vote of the city at the municipal election to be held on the first Monday in March, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred, three female members of said committee, two of whom shall hold office for the term of two years and one for the term of one year; and thereafter at each annual election said committee shall be elected, each to hold office for the term of two years, as shall be necessary to fill the places of those female members whose term of office shall expire in that year. Said female members shall have the same powers and duties as the other members of the committee and shall be nominated at the same time and in the same manner as the mayor is now nominated.

Amendment B. Amend by striking out in the first line of section 2, the word "those" and inserting in its place the words, "the female" and by inserting in the second line of said section 2, after the words "school committee" the words, "after the election thereof as," so that said section shall read as follows:

Section 2. In case of a vacancy among the female members of the school committee after the election thereof as provided for in section 1 of this act, the city council shall, in joint convention, elect by ballot, some female resident of the city to fill the vacancy, and hold office until the next annual election.

The amendments were severally accepted and the bill passed to be engrossed as amended.

On motion by Mr. Stearns of Aroostook, the several remonstrances against increase of salary of justices of the supreme judicial court, tabled upon his motion, were taken from the table and placed on file.

On motion by Mr. King of Oxford, Adjourned.