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OF THE  
**Sixty-Ninth Legislature**  
OF THE  
**STATE OF MAINE.**  
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**1899.**

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**SENATE.**

Monday, Feb. 6, 1899.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Fr. Nelligan of Hallo-well.

Journal of Friday read and approved.

Mr. Plummer of Penobscot, arose and read a telegram received from Hon. Wm. P. Frye, announcing that "The treaty of peace between the United States and Spain has been ratified by a majority of three," which was greeted with applause.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

**HOUSE BILLS READ AND ASSIGNED.**

Bill an act to authorize the Skowhegan Electric Light Company to issue bonds.

Bill an act to amend Section 4 of Chapter 71 of the Revised Statutes relating to licenses to sell real estate.

Bill an act to amend Chapter 154 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the charter of the Wiscasset Water Company.

Bill an act to prevent the wearing of spike boots or shoes in public places.

Bill an act to amend Section 6 of Chapter 156 of the Public Laws of 1895, entitled "an act to amend Section 6 of Chapter 35 of the Revised Statutes, relating to intelligence offices."

Bill an act to incorporate the Brownville Water Company.

The following bill came from the House referred to the committee on legal affairs:

Bill an act to provide for the sprinkling of streets in the city of Deering.

On motion by Mr. Reynolds of Cumberland, the bill was laid on the table for printing pending reference.

Resolve in favor of the committee appointed to attend the funeral of the late Hon. E. K. O'Brien came from the House passed under the suspension of rules without reference to committee. The rules of the Senate were suspended and the resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed without reference.

Petition of the selectmen of Phippsburg relating to certain islands in Casco bay, referred in Senate to the committee on towns came back from the House referred in non-concurrence to the committee on judiciary. The Senate vote of reference was re-

considered and the petition referred in concurrence to the committee on judiciary.

A communication was received from the Executive, transmitting the following letter received from the President in response to the joint resolution and invitation to visit Maine as the guest of our State:

Executive Mansion,  
Washington, Feb. 2, 1899.

My Dear Sir—The President has requested me to acknowledge the courteous invitation extended to him by yourself and the Legislature of your State, and to express his deep regret that the pressure of his engagements is so great to preclude the possibility of his giving himself the pleasure of visiting Maine at this time.

In accordance with the President's wishes, I have great pleasure in assuring you, and through you the members of the Legislature, that he is very much gratified by the cordial personal expressions contained in the resolution, a copy of which you were good enough to enclose.

Very truly yours,

(Signed)

J. A. PORTER,  
Secretary to the President.

Hon. Llewellyn Powers, Governor  
State of Maine.

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

**JUDICIARY.**

By Mr. King of Oxford—Remonstrance of 138 citizens of Paris, against granting the Hebron Water Co. the right to take water from Hall's pond, in Paris.

**LEGAL AFFAIRS.**

By Mr. Reynolds of Cumberland—Bill an act to amend Section 19 of Chapter 242 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895 relating to the charter of the city of South Portland.

**EDUCATION.**

By Mr. Blanchard of Franklin—Resolve in favor of summer training schools for teachers and the distribution of educational documents.

**RAILROADS, TELEGRAPHS AND EXPRESSES.**

By Mr. Plummer of Penobscot—Petition of Joe Abbott and 92 others of Dexter, asking for a law requiring railroads to issue two cent mileage books good to bearer.

By Mr. Reynolds of Cumberland—Petition of M. R. Stubbs and others praying for the passage of the bill for protection of street railway employees.

Petitions of W. H. Sanborn and others; J. A. Boyd and others for same.

#### STATE LANDS AND STATE ROADS.

By Mr. Merrill of Somerset—Petition of N. W. Brainerd and 16 others of Somerset county for aid in repairing Forks bridge, so-called.

#### TAXATION.

Mr. Mr. Reynolds of Cumberland—Petition of Mrs. Jane H. Spofford and others, praying that women be exempted from taxation.

Petitions of Hannah J. Bailey and others; Louisa A. Wagg and others; Ann F. Greeley and others; Olive C. Dodge and others; Mrs. Ann M. Lancy and others; Ruth A. Bray and others; E. L. Albee and others; Mrs. C. E. Perkins and others; L. Jane Landers and others; Rebecca R. Usher and others, for same.

#### PLACED ON FILE.

By Mr. King of Oxford—Remonstrance of E. J. Judkins and 62 others against increase of salary of justices of the supreme judicial court.

By Mr. Witham of Cumberland—Remonstrance of Charles K. Thorpe and others of Raymond, against same.

#### READ AND ASSIGNED.

Resolve in favor of road in Jerusalem plantation.

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

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

#### TABLED.

Resolve in favor of Ignace Blois came up for its first reading and on motion by Mr. Weeks of Somerset, was laid on the table pending first reading.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. White for the committee on financial affairs, to which was referred the petition of Jas. Augustus Healey in favor of St. Elizabeth's Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum in Portland, praying that aid be granted that institution, reported resolve in favor of St. Elizabeth's Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum in Portland.

Mr. Plummer for the committee on education, reported resolve in favor of Wilton Academy.

Mr. Pierce for the committee on Reform school, to which was referred the report of the State Reform school, reported resolve in favor of the State Reform school.

Mr. Blanchard for the committee on education, reported in new draft resolve in favor of Lee Normal Academy.

The above reports were accepted and tabled for printing under joint rule.

#### PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.

An act to amend Section 18 of Chapter 133, Revised Statutes, relating to the satisfaction of prosecutions for assault and battery and other misdemeanors.

#### PASSED TO BE ENACTED.

An act authorizing the Webster Woolen Co. to supply the village of Sabbattus with water for municipal purposes.

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

An act to incorporate the Manufacturers' Trust Co.

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY.

On motion by Mr. Weeks of Somerset, the several petitions relating to the salaries of the judge of probate and register of probate of Somerset county were taken from the table and referred to the Somerset county delegation.

On motion by Mr. Sharp of Aroostook,

Adjourned.