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## SENATE.

Thursday, Feb. 9, 1899.

Senate met according to adjournment. Prayer by Rev. Mr. Boardman of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

#### HOUSE BILLS READ AND ASSIGNED.

Resolve in favor of the town of Waldoboro.

Resolve in favor of Children's Aid Society of Maine, as amended by House amendment A.

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

#### JUDICIARY.

By Mr. Blanchard of Franklin-Remonstrance of F. K. Lane and 50 others against the Farmington Corporation taking water from Wilson lake and Varnum pond in Wilton.

Remonstrances of the Walker Mills; F. J. Goodspeed and 20 others, against same.

#### LEGAL AFFAIRS.

By Mr. Reynolds of Cumberland-Bill an act to amend section 65 of chapter 70 of the R. S., as amended by chapter 101 of the Public Laws of 1891, relating to fees in insolvency proceedings.

Bill an act relating to expenses of State officials and employees.

By Mr. Hamlin of Hancock—Petition of J. Eaton and 46 others, citizens of South Bluehill, in favor of abolishing the draw in bridge across the foot of Salt pond in Bluehill.

## RAILROADS. TELEGRAPHS AND EXPRESSES.

By Mr. Jones of Penobscot—Bill an act to extend the provisions of the general statutes to street railway charters relating to location of tracks.

Petition of Geo. T. Merrill and 49 others of Patten, asking that the railroads of this State be required to issue two cent mileage books, good to bearer.

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By Mr. Merrill of Somerset-Petition of W. J. Foss and 56 others of Brighton, for the same.

#### INTERIOR WATERS.

By Mr. Jones of Penobscot-Bill an act to amend chapter 419, Private and Spec-

ial Laws of 1897, entitled, "An act to incorporate the Penobscot East Branch Log Driving Co."

#### SEA AND SHORE FISHERIES.

By Mr. Grindle of Hancock-Bill an act for the better protection of weirs.

#### READ AND ASSIGNED.

Resolve in favor of the Bluehill George Stevens Academy.

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

Bill an act to repeal so much of section 5 of chapter 30 of the R. S., 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.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Young, for the Oxford county delegation, to which was referred petition of Geo. A. Wilson and o.ners relating to increase of salaries, reported reference of the same with accompanying bill to the committee on salaries.

Mr. Blanchard, for the committee on inland fisheries and game, to which was referred order of the Legislature relating to hunting partridges with dogs, reported legislation thereon inexpedient.

Mr. Dudley, for the committee on claims, reported ought not to pass on, resolve in favor of Eben M. Garland.

These reports were severally accepted.

Mr. Hamlin, for the committee on judiciary, reported ought to pass, bill an act to establish the Bar Harbor municipal court.

The report was accepted and bill tabled for printing under rule.

### PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.

Resolve in favor of the State Reform School.

Resolve in favor of the St. Elizabeth's Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum in Portland.

Resolve in favor of Charles T. Powers. Bill an act to amend cnapter 450 of the Private Laws on 1855 relating to the school board of Eastport.

Bill an act to amend chapter 144 of the R. S., relating to State pensions.

#### TABLED.

On motion by Mr. Dudley of Washington, the vote was reconsidered whereby several petitions in regard to municipal court at Eastport were referred to the judiciary committee, and the petitions were laid on the table.

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

This resolve was given its first reading and on motion by Mr. Reynolds of Cumberland was laid on the table pending second reading.

Resolve in favor of Lee Normal Academy.

Resolve in favor of Wilton Academy.

These resolves were given their second reading, and on motion by Mr. Jones of Penobscot, were laid on the table pending passage to be engrossed.

Resolve for State pensions. This resolve was given its second reading.

Mr. Plummer of Penobscot said: House bill No. 47 provides for the extension cf all legislation or laws in regard to State pensions to the soldiers of the Spanish war, and the committee in fixing the amount of this resolve took that into consideration and added \$2000 to the amount appropriated for such purposes by the Legislature of 1897. If perchance that act should not become a law, this additional amount would not be required, hence I move that this resolve lie upon the table until House bill No. 47 has been enacted into a law, when I will move that this resolve be taken from the table and receive its final passage.

The Senate so voted and the resolve was laid on the table.

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

This bill came up for its second reading, and on motion by Mr. Weeks of Somerset, was laid on the table pending second reading.

#### PASSED TO BE ENACTED.

An act to authorize the Skowhegan Electric Light Company to issue bonds.

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."

An act to incorporate the Brownville Water Company.

An act to amend chapter 154 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the charter of the Wiscasset Water Company.

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY.

On motion by Mr. Stearns of Aroostook, the following House order was taken from the table:

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

On motion by Mr. Stearns the order and was then passed in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Weeks of Somerset, resolve in favor of Ignace Blois, tabled pending first reading, was taken from the table and recommitted to the committee on State lands and State roads.

On motion by Mr. Stearns of Aroostook, bill an act in relation to the salaries of the justices of the supreme judicial court, specially assigned today, was taken from the table and reassigned Wednesday, Feb. 15.

On motion by Mr. Shepherd of Knox, Adjourned.