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OF THE
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OF THE
STATE OF MAINE.

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SENATE.

Thursday, March 9, 1899.

The Senate met according to adjournment and was called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. George of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

The following order came from the House passed, and a committee appointed on the part of the House.

Ordered, That a committee of two be appointed by the Speaker to act with such additions as may be made by the Senate to attend to the work of editing the report of the exercises held by the State government in memory of the late Hon. Nelson Dingley.

On motion by Mr. Blanchard of Franklin, the order was laid on the table.

Bill an act to amend Chapter 282 of the Laws of 1889, relating to railroad crossings.

The bill came up for its first reading, was read once on motion by Mr. Adams of Penobscot, was laid on the table pending second reading.

Bill an act to create a lien on monumental work.

This bill came up for its first reading, was read once and on motion by Mr. Stearns of Aroostook, was laid on the table pending second reading.

HOUSE BILLS READ AND ASSIGNED.

Bill an act to incorporate the Strong Water Company.

Bill an act to amend Section 196 of Chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Section 5 of Chapter 70 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the sale of real estate for the non-payment of taxes.

Bill an act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 80 of the Revised Statutes relating to sheriffs and their deputies.

Bill an act giving mortgagees a lien for costs of foreclosure under Section 5 of Chapter 90 of Revised Statutes.

Bill an act to amend Section 14 of Chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes relating to registers of probate.

Bill an act to authorize the Franklin and Somerset Land and Lumber Company to hold the stock and bonds of

the South Branch Improvement Company.

Bill an act to incorporate the Sullivan Harbor Water Company.

Resolve in favor of the Augusta City hospital.

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 Hartland Academy.

Resolve in favor of Parsonfield Seminary, Parsonfield, Maine.

Resolve in favor of Madawaska Training school.

Resolve in favor of Normal school trustees.

Resolve in favor of the State Normal schools.

Resolve in favor of Ricker Classical Institute.

Bill an act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 216, Public Laws of 1893, as amended by Chapter 295, Public Laws of 1897, relating to discontinuing schools and conveying school children.

Resolve in favor of settling lots in Drew Plantation.

Resolve to reimburse Daniel S. Chadbourne for repairs on breakwater at Mattawamkeag bridge.

Bill an act to prevent the killing of tern.

Resolve in favor of the town of Canton.

Resolve to reimburse F. I. Campbell, treasurer of the town of Cherryfield, for money paid to State pensioners.

Bill an act amendatory of and additional to Chapter 143 of the Revised Statutes relating to the Insane hospital.

The following bill, petition and resolve was presented and referred:

JUDICIARY.

By Mr. Drummond of Cumberland—Bill an act for the protection of political nominating conventions and primary political meetings or caucuses from disturbances and fraud.

By Mr. Heald of Kennebec—Petition of Hanson, Webber and Durham and 36 others requesting that there be no change in the trustee law.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

By Mr. Grindle of Hancock—Resolve for procuring a railroad map.

ORDER.

On motion by Mr. Vickery of Kennebec, it was,

Ordered, That there be printed and bound in convenient form for general distribution under the supervision of the committee who drafted the same, 10,000 copies of Chapter 42 of the Public Laws of 1899, which now comprises all the laws that pertain to inland fisheries and game, and that the Governor and Council be authorized and directed to allow a reasonable sum out of the appropriation for inland fisheries and game to the committee for their services in compiling and drafting this bill and services in carrying out the requirements of this order.

RECOMMENDED.

On motion by Mr. Plummer of Penobscot, the vote was reconsidered whereby the report of the committee on legal affairs was accepted, reporting ought to pass bill an act to amend Section 4 of Chapter 132 of the Revised Statutes relating to criminal jurisdiction of magistrates, and the bill was recommitted for correction of an error.

READ AND ASSIGNED.

Bill an act to authorize the county commissioners of Cumberland county to place the city of South Portland and the town of Cape Elizabeth in a jury district.

Bill an act establishing the salary of the county attorney for the county of Arostook.

Bill an act amendatory to Chapter 144, Section 2 of the Special Laws of 1869, relating to an act to incorporate the Sebois Dam Company.

Bill an act additional to Section 96 of Chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes relating to abatement of taxes.

Bill an act to provide for the schooling of children in unorganized townships.

Bill an act establish Free High schools was read once and on motion by Mr. Blanchard of Franklin, was laid on the table pending second reading.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Shepherd for the committee on railroads, telegraphs and expresses, reported ought not to pass, bill an act to incorporate the Nash Telephone Company, with enlarged and extended franchise and powers.

This report was accepted.

Mr. Jones for the same committee, reported ought not to pass, bill an act to authorize the Lewiston, Brunswick and Bath Street Railway to increase its capital stock.

This report was read and on motion by Mr. Jones, was laid on the table pending acceptance.

Mr. Hargraves for the committee on financial affairs, reported ought to pass, resolve providing for expenses of State inspectors of steam vessels in performance of their duties as required by law.

Mr. Reynolds for the committee on legal affairs, reported ought to pass, bill an act to amend section 32, of chapter 91, of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 34, of the Laws of 1895, relating to liens.

The same gentleman for the same committee, reported ought to pass bill an act to amend section 3, chapter 72, of the Revised Statutes, relating to discharge of sureties on probate bonds.

Mr. Heald for the committee on railroads, telegraphs and expresses, reported ought to pass, bill an act to regulate the increase of capital stock by street railroad companies.

Mr. Blanchard for the committee on inland fisheries and game, reported ought to pass, bill an act to repeal chapter 195, of the Public Laws of 1897.

These reports were severally accepted and the bills tabled for printing under rule.

FINAL REPORTS.

Mr. Heald, chairman of the committee on railroads, telegraphs and expresses, submitted the final report of that committee, that they had acted on all matters referred to them.

Mr. Vickery chairman of the committee on inland fisheries and game, submitted the final report of that committee, that they had acted on all matters referred to them.

These reports were accepted.

PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.

Bill an act to amend section 8, of chapter 64 and section 4, of chapter 71, of the Revised Statutes, relating to sales of real estate by license of court.

Bill an act to amend chapter 180, of the Private and Special Laws of 1879, establishing the police court of the city of Belfast, as amended by chapter

428, of the Private and Special Laws of 1885.

Bill an act relating to steam riding galleries.

Bill an act to amend chapter 295, of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to discontinuing schools and conveying school children.

Bill an act to increase the salary of the register of probate of the county of Knox.

Bill an act to extend the rights, powers and privileges of the Mopang Dam and Improvement Company.

Bill an act to set off part of township Number 7 in the county of Hancock and annex the same to the town of Sullivan.

Bill an act relating to the charter of the Wiscasset and Quebec Railroad Company.

Bill an act to incorporate the Boothbay Harbor Banking Company.

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

Bill an act to amend section 18, of chapter 63, of the Revised Statutes, relating to the appointment of register of probate.

Bill an act to incorporate the Lubec Water and Electric Light Company.

Resolve apportioning the appropriation for the deaf, dumb and blind for the year 1899.

Bill an act creating the Dixfield Village Corporation.

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

Bill an act to amend and additional to chapter 285, Public Laws of 1897, relating to sea and shore fisheries.

Bill an act relating to the Wiscasset and Moosehead Lake Telegraph and Telephone Company.

Bill an act to extend the charter of the Lewiston, Augusta and Camden Railroad Company.

Bill an act to amend section 1 of chapter 119 of the Private and Special Laws of 1881, entitled "An act to prohibit the taking of spawn herring within a certain limit in Milbridge or Narraugaugus bay."

Bill an act to prevent the taking of smelts by drag seines in the waters of Buck's Harbor, Orcutt's Harbor and Lawrence bay, in the town of Brookville.

Bill an act to amend an act entitled "An act to annex Franklin Plantation, in the county of Oxford, to the towns of Rumford and Peru, approved by the Governor Feb. 21, A. D., 1899."

Bill an act to incorporate the Houlton Trust Company.

The following bill was read the second time, and on motion by Mr. Merrill of Somerset, was laid on the table pending passage to be engrossed.

Bill an act to provide for insurance on the Gorham Normal school building, Farmington Normal school buildings, Castine Normal school building and Madawaska Training school buildings.

PASSED TO BE ENACTED.

An act for the better protection of ship masters and seamen.

An act for the better protection of clams.

An act to fix the salaries of the judge and register of probate for the county of Waldo.

An act to repeal chapter 280, of the Private and Special Laws of 1883, relating to the use of rafts or floats in fishing for smelts in Bagaduce river.

An act to incorporate the Wiscasset academy.

An act to extend the charter of the Bluehill Water Company.

An act to incorporate the Lily Water Company.

An act authorizing the trustees of the ministerial fund in the Congregational Society in Buxton to apply the interest of said fund toward the payment of the minister's salary.

FINALLY PASSED.

Resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine General hospital.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

On motion by Mr. Merrill of Somerset, House document 28, bill an act to amend chapter 491, of the Private Laws of 1893, was taken from the table.

Mr. Merrill offered Senate amendment "A:" Amend by inserting in the second line of title after the words "ninety-three," the words, "relative to the sale of prize logs in Piscataquis Boom."

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

On motion by Mr. Weeks of Somerset,

Adjourned.