# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

# Seventy-First Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1903.

# Orders of the Day.

On motion by Mr. Goodwin of Somerset, the resolution presented by Mr. Staples of Knox at a previous session, in relation to free coal was taken from the table; and, on motion by the last named Senator the resolve was indefinitely postponed.

The President joined, on the part of the Senate as a committee on Memorial Exercises to Hon. Thomas B. Reed, Messrs. Randall of Cumberland, Wing of Androscoggin, Goodwin of Somerset.

On motion by Mr. Hyde of Sagadahoc, the Senate adjourned to meet on Tuesday, January 20th, 1903, at 10.30

o'clock A. M.

## HOUSE.

Friday, Jan. 16, 1903.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Livingston of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurence.

Bill, An Act to incorporate the Squirrel Island village corporation.

On motion of Mr. Libby of Mechanic Falls, this bill was tabled for printing, pending concurrent action by the House.

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

# Judiciary.

By Mr. Newcomb of Eastport: retition in favor of an act to establish a municipal court in the city of Eastport.

Also: Bill An Act to establish a municipal court in the city of Eastport.

By Mr. Perkins of Wilton: Bill, An Act to incorporate the Tyngstown Water Company.

By Mr. Drew of Portland: Bill, An Act to amend the charter of the Home for Aged Men in Portland.

Also: Bill, An Act to abolish Fast day and institute Patriot's day.

By Mr. Littlefield of Rockland: Bill, An Act to amend Section 47 of Chapter 77 of the Revised Statutes relating to the time of holding terms of the Supreme Judicial court in Knox county.

Also, Bill, An Act to amend Sections 27, 28, 29 and 30 of Chapter 79 of the Revised Statutes, relating to attorneys at law.

By Mr. Taylor of Wiscasset: Bill, An Act to incorporate the executive committee of Huntoon Hill Grange No. 398, Patrons of Husbandry.

# Legal Affairs.

By Mr. Reynolds of Winslow: Petition of J. W. McKenney and 21 others for passage of bill, An Act relating to Clinton Electric Light and Power Company.

Also; Petition of F. L. Besse and 69 others for same.

Also; Bill, An Act relating to Clinton Electric Light and Power Company.

By Mr. Furbish of Rangeley: Bill, An Act to incorporate Rangeley Water Company.

By Mr. Taylor of Wiscasset: Bill, An Act to amend chapter 154 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895 relating to the charter of the Wiscasset Water

Company.

By Mr. Butler of South Thomaston: Bill, An Act to amend Chapter 42 of the Revised Statutes, relating to timber found upon rivers, streams and adjacent lands and to extend its provision to timber found in the ocean or any inlet thereof in the jurisdiction of the State.

By Mr. Buzzell of Old Town: Bill, An Act to authorize the Bodwell Water Power Company to generate, use, transmit and sell electricity.

By Mr. Williams of Williamsburg: Bill, An Act to increase the salary of the county attorney of Piscataquis county.

On motion of Mr. Weeks of Fairfield, the vote was reconsidered whereby this bill was referred to the committee on legal affairs, and on further motion by the same gentleman it was referred to the committee on salaries.

## Education.

By Mr. Smith of Presque Isle: Petition of A. E. Irving and 42 others of Presque Isle in favor of Normal school in Aroostook county, same to be located at Presque Isle.

Also; Petition of C. P. Allen and 179 others of Presque Isle in favor of same.

By Mr. Gagnon of Van Buren: Petition of Peter C. Keegan and others of Van Buren in favor of the location of a Normal school at Presque Isle.

By Mr. Hall of Fort Fairfield: Petition of Frank P. Grant and 92 others as members of Fort Fairfield Grange No. 262, in favor of Normal school in Aroostook county, the same to be located at Presque Isle.

By Mr. Gagnon of Van Buren: Petition of Thomas Keegan and 36 others of Hamlin Plantation in favor of establishing a normal school at Presque Isle.

By Mr. Allen of Sanford: Resolve in favor of the town of Sanford.

# Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

By Mr. Farnsworth of Tremont: Bill, An Act to incorporate the Swan's Island Telephone and Telegraph Company.

By Mr. Littlefield: Bill, An Act to incorporate the Camden and Liberty Railway.

## Banks and Banking.

By Mr. Sweeney of Fort Kent: Petition for Fort Kent bank.

By Mr. Kimball of Rockland: Bill, An Act to extend the charter of the Camden Trust Company.

## Agriculture.

By Mr. Thompson of China: Resolve in favor of the dairying interests of the State of Maine.

# Military Affairs.

By Mr. Sewall of Bath: Resolve in favor of the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum.

#### Interior Waters.

By Mr. Ross of Bangor: Bill, An Act to amend Section four of Chapter 64 of the Private and Special Laws of 1899 relating to the Wilson Stream Dam Company.

Also; Bill, An Act to amend Section three of Chapter 30 of the Private and Special Laws of 1872.

# Ways and Bridges.

By Mr. Page of Skowhegan: Petition of C. M. Hill and 51 others of Moscow for an appropriation to partly reimburse it for money laid out and to be laid out in making extraordinary repairs on the highways and bridges in said town, resulting from damages caused by the freshet of December 1901.

By Mr. Sweeney of Fort Kent: Petition for a bridge on Fish river at Fort Kent.

By Mr. Davidson of Hammond Plantation: Petition of James D. Ross and 106 others of Littleton and vicinity asking for an appropriation to aid in building a bridge across the Meduxnekag Stream in Littleton.

By Mr. Boyd of Linneus: Petition in favor of resolve for building bridge across Mattawamkeag river in the town of Bancroft.

Also; resolve in favor of building bridge in the town of Bancroft.

By Mr. Davidson of Hammond Plantation: Resolve in favor of a bridge across Meduxnekeag Stream in Littleton, Aroostook county.

By Mr. Knowlton of New Portland: Resolve in aid of the town of Anson to aid in purchasing a steel bridge across the Kennebec river at Madison.

#### Inland Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Furbish of Rangeley: Petition regarding fishing in Quimby pond.

Also; petition regarding fishing in Kennebago lake and ponds.

By Mr. Gannett of Augusta: Petition of the late Hon. P. O. Vickery of Augusta and 17 other citizens of Augusta, praying for the enactment of a hunter's license law.

By Mr. Mills of Stonington: Petition of E. P. Emerson and 30 others for aid to screen Almoosook lake.

By Mr. Peaslee of Upton: Petition of Henry H. Richards and 50 others in favor of an award to George R. Easter of Byron.

By Mr. Libby of Mechanic Falls: Petition of B. M. Fernald and 500 other citizens of Poland, Otisfield, Oxford and Casco, for winter fishing on Thompson pond in Oxford, Androscoggin and Cumberland.

By Mr. Blake of Sidney: Bill, An Act to prohibit ice fishing in Messalonskee lake, or Snow pond, so called, in Kennebec county.

#### Sea and Shore Fisheries.

By Mr. Mills of Stonington: Petition of John F. Gray and 61 others to amend Section 41 Chapter 284 of the general laws of 1901.

By Mr. Eaton of Calais: Bill, An Act to amend Sections 43, 47 and 50 of Chapter 284 of the Public Laws of 1891, relating to sea and shore fisheries.

By Mr. Mills of Stonington: Bill, An Act to amend Section 41 Chapter 284 of the General Laws of 1891.

#### Counties.

By Mr. Mills of Stonington: Petition of A. J. H. Turner and 39 others to set off the town of Isle Au Haut from the county of Hancock and annex said town to the county of Knox.

Also; Bill, An Act to set off the town of Isle Au Haut from the county of Hancock and annex said town to the county of Knox.

# Towns.

By Mr. Butler of South Thomaston: Bill, An Act to annex Muscle Ridge Plantation in the county of Knox to the town of South Thomaston.

# Public Charities and State Beneficiaries.

By Mr. Gardner of Dennysville: Petition of C. Hollis White and 40 others of East Machias in favor of the Home and School for Feebled Minded.

By Mr. Newcomb of Eastport: Petition of the city officers of Eastport for reimbursement for amount expended in support of insane patient.

# Public Buildings and Grounds.

By Mr. Taylor of Wiscasset: Petition of Charles E. Allen and 22 others for an appropriation to further excavate and improve the State reservation at lort William Henry, Pemaquid, Bristol.

#### Temperance.

By Mr. Thomas of Harpswell: Petition in favor of re-submission of fifth amendment of the constitution relating to manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors, of S. W. Orr and 117 others of Islesboro.

By Mr. Buzzell of Old Town: Remonstrance against re-submission by Rev. Donald Fraser and 132 others.

# Washington County Delegation.

By Mr. Newcomb of Eastport: Bill, An Act establishing the salary of County Attorney of the County of Washington.

On motion of Mr. Drew of Portland, this bill was referred to the Committee on Salaries.

#### Orders

On motion of Mr. Sutherland of Biddeford,

Ordered, That the officers and members of the Legislature be furnished with express transportation to their homes for all packages of department reports in a sum not exceeding five dollars for each officer and member thereof, and that such transportation be furnished and expended under the direction of the State Library Department.

On motion of Mr. Snowe of West Gardiner.

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that the Secretary of State be requested and hereby authorized to furnish at the expense of the State such postage stamps and stationery to the clerks of the joint standing committees as may be necessary to the proper discharge of their official duties.

On motion of Mr. Tartre of Biddeford.

Ordered, That the use of the Representatives Hall be granted the Committee on Temperance for a public hearing on re-submission on Thursday, February 5th, 1903, at 2 o'clock P. M.

On motion of Mr. Gannett of Augusta.

Ordered, That the committee in inland fisheries and game be authorized to procure the services of a stenographer during the present session of the Legislature.

#### Reports of Committees.

Mr. Eaton from the committee on Governor's Message, to which was referred the order of the Legislature relating to the consideration of the Governor's Message and a reference of the subjects contained therein to the proper committees, reported that that portion of the Governor's Message relating to the cattle commission be referred to the committee on agriculture.

Mr. Eaton from the same committee, reported that that portion of the Governor's Message relating to State library be referred to the committee on libraries.

## Orders of the Day.

On motion of Mr. Potter of Brunswick, the rules were suspended and the vote was reconsidered whereby the House referred to the committee on legal affairs a petition of the inhabitants of Brunswick for a water district, and on further motion by the same gentleman the petition was referred to the judiciary committee.

The Speaker joined on the part of the House to the Senate committee on resolutions and memorial exercises in commemoration of the late Hon. Thomas B. Reed, the following: Messrs. Swett of Portland, Davis of Waterville, Allan of Portland, Smith of Presque Isle, Weeks of Fairfield and Oakes of Auburn.

On motion of Mr. Williams of Williamsburg,

Adjourned until Tuesday, Jan. 20, 1903, at 10.30 o'clock, A. M.