

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

Seventy-First Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1903.

HOUSE.

Tuesday, Feb. 3, 1903.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Hope of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Judiciary, reporting ought not to pass on Bill, An Act relating to the public health, was received from the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Drew of Portland, the report was laid on the table pending its acceptance by the House.

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

Judiciary.

By Mr. Davis of Waterville: Bill, An Act to amend the charter of the president and trustees of Colby College.

By Mr. Mills of Stonington: Bill, An Act relating to caucuses and meetings of political parties.

Legal Affairs.

By Mr. Hubbard of Paris: Bill, An Act in relation to the South Paris Village Corporation and to establish a system of municipal lighting.

On motion of Mr. Hubbard of Paris, this bill was tabled for printing pending its reference to the committee.

By Mr. Cordwell of Westbrook: Bill, An Act to amend Chapter 486 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889 relating to the city of Westbrook.

Also: Bill, An Act to amend Chapter 346 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897 entitled, An Act to amend charter of the city of Westbrook.

Education.

By Mr. Smith of Presque Isle: Petition of F. Parker Jacques and 19 others of Presque Isle in favor of normal school in Aroostook county, same to be located at Presque Isle.

Also: Petition of Lnydon Oak and 17 others of Presque Isle and vicinity in favor of same.

Also: Petition of D. W. Gilman and 16 others of Presque Isle in favor of same.

Also: Petition of Alfred McPherson and 15 others of Presque Isle in favor of same.

By Mr. Irving of Caribou: Petition of L. E. Tuttle and 16 others in favor of same.

By Mr. Boyd of Linneus: Petition of Simeon Irish and 24 others of Haynesville in favor of same.

Also: Petition of L. E. Carter and 13 others of Hodgdon in favor of same.

By Mr. White of Dyer Brook: Petition of T. B. Bradford and 15 others of Golden Ridge in favor of same.

By Mr. Dilling of Easton: Petition of A. O. Nutter and 30 others of Mars Hill in favor of same.

Banks and Banking.

By Mr. Allan of Portland: Bill, An Act to amend Chapter 61 of the Public Laws of 1887 relating to loan and building associations.

On motion of Mr. Allan of Portland, this bill was laid on the table for printing pending its reference to the committee.

Interior Waters.

By Mr. Smith of Madison: Bill, An Act authorizing the Great Northern Paper Company to locate, erect and maintain piers and booms in the Kennebec river.

By Mr. Furbish of Rangeley: Bill, An Act to incorporate the Round Pond Improvement Company of Rangeley, Maine.

Ways and Bridges.

By Mr. Davidson of Hammond Pl.: Petition of A. P. Daggett and 58 others in favor of a bridge across the East Branch of the Mattawamkeag river in the town of Smyrna.

By Mr. Campbell of Cherryfield: Petition of F. W. Sawyer and 125 others of the town of Milbridge in favor of resolve in aid of reconstructing bridge across the Narraguagus river.

Also: Resolve in aid of reconstructing the bridge across the Narraguagus river in the town of Milbridge.

By Mr. Davidson of Hammond Pl.: Resolve to aid the town of Smyrna in the construction of a bridge across the East Branch of the Mattawamkeag river at Smyrna Mills.

Inland Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Gannett of Augusta: Petition of Will H. Johnson and 53 others,

citizens of Augusta, praying for the enactment of a hunters' license law.

By Mr. Waterhouse of Westbrook: Petition of George W. Hawkes and 20 others for same.

By Mr. Snowe of West Gardiner: Petition of C. A. Cochrane M. D., and 21 others citizens of Winthrop for same.

By Mr. Hill of Brownfield: Remonstrance of H. K. Hobbs and 18 others citizens of Fryeburg against enactment of a law allowing deer to be killed on farms in close time.

By Mr. Patterson of Industry: Petition of J. Willis Jordan and 21 other residents of Kingfield and vicinity praying that Indian Pond situated partly in Kingfield be opened to ice fishing.

Sea and Shore Fisheries.

By Mr. Foss of Hancock: Petition of L. S. Jordan and others for the repeal of Chapter 582 of the Private and Special Laws of 1868.

Claims.

By Mr. McIntire of Waterford: Resolved in favor of town of Waterford. (Continued on page 6.)

Public Charities and State Beneficiaries.

By Mr. Littlefield of Rockland: Petition in favor of home for feeble minded.

Temperance.

By Mr. Benner of Waldoboro: Remonstrance of J. J. A. Hoffses and 60 others of Waldoboro against resubmission.

By Mr. Campbell of Cherryfield: Protest of Rev. Fred A. Snow and 42 others of Cherryfield against same.

Penobscot County Delegation.

By Mr. Barker of Bangor: Bill, An Act to amend Chapter 52 of the Public Laws of 1895 relating to the salary of the register of probate for Penobscot county.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Thompson of Orono. Ordered, That the use of this Hall be given to the Maine State Bar Association for its annual meeting on Wednesday P. M., February 11th.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Morey from the committee on legal affairs reported ought not to pass on bill, An Act to repeal Section fifty of Chapter eighty of the Revised Statutes, relating to the serving of civil precepts.

Mr. Allan from the same committee, on bill, An Act to regulate the placing of permanent moorings in harbors, reported ought to pass.

(Tabled for printing under joint rules.)

Messrs. Littlefield, Buxton, Carleton and Curtis from the committee on elections to which was referred the remonstrance of Stephen J. Kelley, Jacob R. Little and George B. Haskell against the claim of Alonzo M. Garcelon, Frank A. Morey and Michael A. Coyne to seats in the House of Representatives of the Seventy-first Legislature, presented a majority report.

Messrs. Weatherbee, Purington and Furbish from the same committee presented a minority report.

Mr. WEATHERBEE of Lincoln: Mr. Speaker, As the reports of the committee on elections are so long, I move that the reports lie on the table for printing pending the acceptance of either, and that Thursday morning of this week be assigned for their consideration.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. DAVIS of Waterville: I would ask for an amendment to that making it Friday morning, for the reason that there is so much business between now and Thursday demanding our attention, and there are so many who wish to look thoroughly into those reports, and one day more I think would not make any particular difference.

Mr. THOMPSON of Orono: I would call the gentleman's attention to the fact that a great many Representatives are going to Orono to visit the University of Maine next Friday, and I hope the motion to assign this matter for Friday will not prevail.

Mr. MOREY of Lewiston: Mr. Speaker, I am in favor of an early consideration of the reports and I ask that the day first mentioned may be assigned; and I hope that on Thursday morning of this week we can have this matter settled here in the House.

Mr. DAVIS: Mr. Speaker, I withdraw my motion.

The SPEAKER: Thursday morning of this week is assigned for the consideration of these reports.

First Reading of Printed Bills and Resolves.

An Act to enlarge the powers of the Berwick, Eliot and York Street Railway.

An Act to confer additional powers upon the Lincoln County Street Railway.

An Act relating to the Bar Harbor Electric Light Company.

An Act to fix the salary of the Judge of Probate for Hancock county.

An Act to amend Chapter 258 of the Public Laws of 1893 as amended by Chapter 130 of the Public Laws of 1895 relating to the taxation of savings banks.

Passed to be Engrossed.

An Act to amend Section 15 of Chapter 15 of the Revised Statutes of Maine, 1883, relating to burying-grounds.

An Act to amend Section 24 of Chapter 102 of the Public Laws of 1891 as amended by Chapter 267 of the Public Laws of 1893 relating to providing for the printing and distributing ballots at the public expense and regulating voting for State and city elections.

An Act to grant additional powers to the Portsmouth, Kittery and York Street Railway.

An Act to amend Section 17 of Chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter 261 of the Public Laws of 1885 and by Chapter 61 of the Public Laws of 1891 relating to migratory fish.

Passed to be Enacted.

An Act to authorize the Old Orchard Light Company to issue bonds and for other purposes.

An Act recognizing the Sebasticook Power Company as a corporation legally organized and to grant it additional powers.

An Act authorizing the State Treasurer to purchase unmaturing State of Maine bonds.

An Act to amend Chapter 372 of the Public Laws of 1885 relating to the compensation of the county commissioners for Oxford county.

An Act to authorize the Auburn Savings Bank of Auburn, Maine, to construct and maintain safety deposit vaults.

An Act to amend Chapter 61 of the Private and Special Laws of 1899, entitled An Act to establish the Bar Harbor Municipal Court.

An Act to amend Section 28 of Chapter 73 of the Revised Statutes relating to conveyances.

An Act to amend Section 1 and 4 of Chapter 339 of the Private and Special Laws of 1901 bearing an act to incorporate the Winthrop Cold Spring Water Company.

Orders of the Day.

On motion of Mr. Allen of Sanford Bill, An Act to provide for the representation of the State of Maine at the Louisiana Exposition, was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same gentleman it was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

On motion of Mr. Burrill of Ellsworth, Bill, An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 18 of the Public Laws of 1895 relating to insurance, was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same gentleman it was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance in concurrence with the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Weeks of Fairfield, Bill, An Act to establish a law uniform with other states relative to insurance policies, was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same gentleman it was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

On motion of Mr. Drew of Portland, Bill, An Act to extend and regulate the liability of employers to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by employees in their service, was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same gentleman it was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs, in concurrence with the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Drew, Bills, An Act to regulate connections between steam railroads, An Act to authorize the Wiscasset, Waterville and Farmington Railroad Company to connect with the Sandy River Railroad and the Maine Central Railroad at Farmington, and An Act to incorporate the Maine

Midland Railroad Company, were taken from the table, and on further motion by the same gentleman they were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

The Senate order extending an invitation to Hon. Martin Dodge and President Morse to address a joint session of the Legislature on Thursday evening, February 5th, on the subject of good roads, was tabled on motion of Mr. Drew of Portland.

On motion of Mr. Tripp of Lyman,
Adjourned.