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LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

Seventy-First Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1903.

HOUSE.

Thursday, March 19, 1903.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Quimby of Gardiner.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the committee on Reform school came from the Senate, passed to be engrossed under a suspension of the rules. In the House the rules were suspended on motion of Mr. Briggs of Auburn, the resolve received its two readings and was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Senate Bills on First Reading.

An Act to amend An Act entitled "An Act to regulate the admission to practice of attorneys, solicitors and counsellors, to provide for a board of examiners, and to repeal conflicting acts," approved March 17, 1889.

Senate amendment A was adopted and the bill was then assigned for tomorrow morning.

Resolve providing for the topographic and geological survey for the years 1903 and 1904 and for extending its work to include hydrography.

Senate amendment A was adopted and the resolve was then assigned for tomorrow morning.

An Act to amend Chapter 101, Public Laws of 1887, relating to paupers.

An Act to incorporate the Village Cemetery Association of Searsport, Waldo county, Maine.

An Act relating to suits in equity to quiet title.

An Act relative to the Aroostook Valley Railroad Company.

An Act authorizing Samuel D. Warren and others to erect and maintain piers and booms in the Kennebec river.

An Act to prohibit ice fishing in Number Nine lake, situated in Township 9, Range 3, in the county of Aroostook.

An Act to extend the charter of the Maine Water and Electric Power Company.

An Act for the protection of deer in the counties of Kennebec, Knox, Waldo and Lincoln.

An Act to prohibit all ice fishing in First or Billings pond, in Bluehill, county of Hancock.

An Act to incorporate the Cherryfield and Milbridge Street Railway.

Senate amendment A was adopted and the bill was then assigned for tomorrow morning.

An Act to incorporate the Rangeley Trust Company of Rangeley, Maine. (Read the third time and passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Furbish of Rangeley).

An Act to extend the charter of the Bluehill and Bucksport Electric Railroad Company.

An Act to amend Section 5 of Chapter 137 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 295 of the Public Laws of 1893 relating to insane criminals.

Senate amendment A was adopted and the bill was then assigned for tomorrow morning.

An Act to authorize the Aroostook Valley Railroad Company to purchase or lease the property and franchises of the Presque Isle Electric Light Company.

An Act creating a close time on the tributaries to Indian, South and Twitchell ponds, and on Indian pond, in Greenwood, and the tributaries to Bryant pond in Woodstock, in the county of Oxford.

An Act to fix the salary of the judge of probate of Sagadahoc county.

On motion of Mr. Shaw of Bath, the rules were suspended, the bill received its three readings, and was passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the Senate.

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

On motion of Mr. Blake of Sidney, the rules were suspended and that gentleman introduced bill, An Act relating to the election of treasurer and collector of the town of Sidney, and on further motion by Mr. Blake, the rules were suspended, the bill received its three readings and was passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Pettengill of Rumford, the rules were suspended and that gentleman introduced bill, An Act to amend the charter of the Union Boom Company, and on further motion by Mr. Pettengill, the rules were sus-

ended, the bill received its three readings, and was passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Clark of Prospect, the rules were suspended, and that gentleman introduced bill, An Act to abolish the office of inspector of factories, workshops, mines and quarries, and on further motion by Mr. Clark, the bill was tabled for printing, without reference to a committee.

On motion of Mr. Davis of Waterville, the rules were suspended and that gentleman introduced a joint resolution petitioning Congress to call a convention, under Article 5 of the constitution, to provide by amendment for the election of United States senators by the people, and on further motion by Mr. Davis, the resolution was referred to the committee on judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Oakes of Milford, the rules were suspended and that gentleman introduced a resolve providing for the collection of information in regard to the large bridges within the State, and on further motion by Mr. Oakes, the rules were suspended, the resolve received its two readings and was passed to be engrossed.

Reports of Committees.

Messrs. Swett, Libby and Davis, conferees on the part of the House of the committee on conference upon the matter of the non-concurrence of the House with the action of the Senate in refusing to accept the report of the committee on appropriations and financial affairs in the matter of the resolve in favor of Mathias Culnan, reported that they recommend that the House adhere. The report was accepted.

On motion by Mr. Libby of Mechanic Falls, the House adhered.

Mr. Smith from the committee on judiciary, on bill, An Act amendatory of and additional to Section 62 of Chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 64 of the Public Laws of 1887, relating to exemption of personal property from attachment and sale on execution, reported that same be referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. Littlefield from same committee on bill, An Act relating to pleadings, reported ought not to pass.

Mr. Kelley from the committee on legal affairs on bill, An Act to amend the charter of the city of Ellsworth, reported ought not to pass.

On motion of Mr. Burrill of Ellsworth, the report pending its acceptance, was laid on the table.

Mr. McFaul from the committee on legal affairs on bill, An Act relating to support of widows living apart from their husbands, reported ought not to pass.

Mr. Burrill from the committee on railroads, telegraphs and expresses, on bill, An Act in relation to railroads crossing railroad, highway and town ways, reported ought not to pass.

Mr. Pettengill from the committee on appropriations and financial affairs on resolve in favor of the town of Newport for \$80.50 for support of a State pauper at Maine Industrial School, reported that same be referred to the Governor and Council.

Mr. Maybury from the committee on banks and banking, which was instructed by an order of the Legislature to inquire into the expediency of branch banking in the State of Maine, reported that same be referred to the next Legislature.

Same gentleman from same committee on bill, An Act to authorize the Augusta Trust Company to establish a branch at Belfast, reported ought not to pass.

Mr. Oakes from the committee on ways and bridges, on petition of M. Johnson and others, praying that an appropriation be granted to repair bridge across Macwahoc stream, reported leave to withdraw.

Same gentleman from same committee on bill, An Act to repeal Chapter 329 of the Public Laws of 1897, and Chapter 32 of the Public Laws of 1899, and to amend Sections 70 and 75 of Chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the repair of highways, reported ought not to pass.

On motion of Mr. Bailey of Bradford, the vote was reconsidered whereby the report of the committee was accepted, and on further motion by the same gentleman the report was laid on the table pending the acceptance of the report.

Mr. Randall from the committee on education on resolve in favor of the president and trustees of Bates College, reported ought not to pass.

Mr. Josselyn from the Portland delegation on bill, An Act to abolish the common council and increase the membership of the board of aldermen of the city of Portland, reported that same be referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. Smith from the committee on judiciary reported in a new draft and ought to pass bill, An Act relating to actions for libel or slander.

Same gentleman from same committee on bill, An Act relating to bonds given by collectors of taxes, reported ought to pass.

Same gentleman from same committee on bill, An Act relating to defense of actions brought against administrators and executors, reported ought to pass.

Mr. Weeks from same committee reported in a new draft and ought to pass bill, An Act to incorporate the Dirigo Electric Light Company of Dexter.

Mr. Potter from the same committee reported in a new draft and ought to pass bill, An Act to regulate the use of automobiles and motor vehicles upon public ways.

Messrs. Staples, Barker, McFaul, Campbell and Kelley from the committee on legal affairs presented report A in a new draft and ought to pass bill, An Act defining and enlarging the duties of juries in trials of misdemeanors.

Messrs. Clark, Pierce, Manson, Newcomb and Oakes from the same committee, presented report B, ought not to pass on same bill.

On motion of Mr. Pettengill of Rumford, report B was accepted.

Mr. Kelley from the committee on legal affairs on bill, An Act relating to the municipal court of the city of Lewiston, reported ought to pass.

Mr. Bodwell from the committee appropriations and financial affairs on resolve in favor of Lyman E. Smith of Brunswick, for attendance before agricultural committee, 1901, reported ought to pass.

Same gentleman from same committee reported in a new draft and ought to pass resolve in favor of Lee Normal Academy.

Same gentleman from same committee reported in a new draft and ought to pass, resolve providing for repairs to be made on the tomb of Governor Enoch Lincoln.

Mr. Page from same committee, on resolve in favor of the town of Jackson, reported ought to pass.

Same gentleman from same committee, on resolve providing for a fund for completing the records of the clerk of courts of Lincoln county, reported ought to pass.

Mr. Sewall from same committee, on resolve providing for completion the fire-proofing and necessary repairs in the south wing of the State Capitol, reported ought to pass.

Mr. Swett from the same committee, on resolve in favor of the Maine State library, reported ought to pass.

Mr. Clark from the committee on railroads, telegraphs and expresses, reported in a new draft and ought to pass bill, An Act to amend Chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes, relating to duties of railroad commissioners.

Mr. Shaw from same committee, reported in a new draft and ought to pass bill, An Act to grant additional powers to the Auburn, Mechanic Falls & Norway Street Railway.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported in a new draft and ought to pass bill, An Act to amend Chapter 378 of the Public Laws of 1885, regulating the erection of posts and lines for the purpose of electricity.

Mr. Daniels from the same committee on bill, An Act to incorporate the Maine Coast Telephone Company, reported ought to pass.

Mr. Clark from the same committee, reported in a new draft and ought to pass bill, An Act to extend the time of construction of Boothbay Railroad.

Mr. Dudley from the committee on banks and banking, reported in a new draft and ought to pass bill, An Act to amend Section 100 of Chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 161 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the investments of funds of savings banks.

Mr. Maybury from same committee, on bill, An Act to incorporate the Tyler Fogg Trust Company, reported ought to pass.

Same gentleman from same committee, on bill, An Act to amend the charter of the Augusta Trust Company, reported ought to pass.

Same gentleman from same committee on bill, An Act to incorporate the Ashland Trust Company, reported ought to pass.

Mr. Oakes from the committee on ways and bridges on petition reported resolve in favor of Wallgrass plantation. (Referred to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs.)

Same gentleman from same committee on petition reported resolve in favor of the town of Fort Kent. (Referred to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs.)

Same gentleman from same committee on bill, An Act to authorize Bath, West Bath and Brunswick to erect a bridge over New Meadows river, reported ought to pass.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported in a new draft and ought to pass bill, An Act to amend Section 10 of Chapter 19 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the law of the road.

Same gentleman from committee, on resolve to aid the town of Washburn in the county of Aroostook in part payment of the cost and expenses in building a steel bridge across the Aroostook river, reported ought to pass. (Referred to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs.)

Same gentleman from same committee, on resolve to aid the town of Frenchville in building a bridge across Gagnon's stream, reported ought to pass. (Referred to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs.)

Same gentleman from same committee reported in a new draft and ought to pass resolve in aid of repairing the bridge across the Narraguagus river in the town of Milbridge, reported ought to pass. (Referred to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs.)

Same gentleman from same committee reported in a new draft and ought to pass resolve in aid of building a bridge across the Penobscot river between the towns of Lincoln and Ches-

ter. (Referred to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs.)

Same gentleman from same committee, reported in a new draft and ought to pass resolve in favor of building a steel bridge across the Mattawamkeag river in the town of Bancroft. (Referred to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs.)

Mr. Cordwell from the committee on inland fisheries and game, on petition, reported bill, An Act closing the Cup-suptic river and its tributaries above the foot of the first falls near its mouth from July 1 to May 1, and that it ought to pass.

Same gentleman from same committee, on petition, reported bill, An Act prohibiting the use of boats or launches of any kind propelled by steam, naphtha, gasoline or electricity, while hunting shore birds in the waters of Frenchmen's bay, so-called, on the coast of Maine, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Furbish from same committee, on petition, reported bill, An Act regulating fishing in the tributaries of Wilson lake in Wilton in the county of Franklin, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Bailey from same committee, on petition, reported bill, An Act to prohibit all ice fishing in Lake Webb or Weld pond, so-called, in the town of Wilton and county of Franklin, and that it ought to pass.

Same gentleman from same committee, on resolve for an appropriation for \$500 for a fish screen at the outlet of Lake Sebasticook in Newport, Maine, reported ought not to pass.

Mr. Pike from the committee on shore fisheries, on petition, reported bill, An Act to prohibit the dumping of herring and all fish offal in the waters of Jonesport and Addison, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Sewall from the Sagadahoc County Delegation, reported in a new draft and ought to pass bill, An Act for the protection of deer and moose in the county of Sagadahoc.

Mr. Eaton from the Washington County Delegation, on bill, An Act to establish the salary of the judge of probate in the county of Washington, reported ought to pass.

On motion of Mr. Pike of Lubec, the vote was reconsidered whereby the report of the delegation was accepted, and on further motion by the same gentleman the report was laid on the table pending its acceptance.

First Reading of Printed Bills and Resolves.

An Act to amend Section 6 of Chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes of Maine, relating to the raising and expending of common school funds.

An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 75 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 157 of the Public Laws of 1895, and by Chapters 193 and 196 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to descent of real estate.

An Act to amend an act incorporating the trustees of Bridgton Academy.

An Act to amend Section 11 of Chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter 42 of the Public Laws of 1899, and as amended by Chapter 258 of the Public Laws of 1901, relating to close time for game birds.

On motion of Mr. Drew of Portland, this bill was recommitted to the committee on inland fisheries and game.

An Act to legalize the doings of the selectmen of the town of Waltham.

An Act to establish Patriots day. (Tabled pending second reading on motion of Mr. Pettengill of Rumford.)

An Act to amend Section 5 of Chapter 17 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter 188 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to nuisances.

An Act to increase the salary of the county attorney of Piscataquis county.

An Act relating to the salary of the county attorney of Somerset county.

An Act establishing the salary of the county attorney for the county of Washington. (Tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. McFaul of Machias.)

An Act relating to assaults upon officers and hindering or obstructing them while in the discharge of their duties.

An Act to authorize Clarence H. Clark to extend and maintain a wharf in Lubec Narrows.

An Act to authorize Jacob C. Pike to extend and maintain a wharf in Lubec Narrows.

An Act opening certain tributaries, to Sebec lake to fishing under the general law.

An Act to change time of holding sessions of county commissioners in Aroostook county.

Resolve in favor of Maine State prison.

An Act to authorize the Portage Lake Mill Company to build and maintain piers and booms and to operate a steamboat in Portage lake.

An Act to amend Section 15 of Chapter 132 of the Revised Statutes, relating to appeals from magistrates in criminal cases.

An Act to ratify the lease of the Sanguerville Improvement Company to the Dover & Foxcroft Light and Heat Company.

An Act to make certain the meaning of the languages "Timber and Grass," relating to the public lots so-called in unincorporated townships in State of Maine. (Tabled pending second reading on motion of Mr. Drew of Portland.)

On motion of Mr. Potter of Brunswick, the vote was reconsidered whereby the House tabled and ordered printed the report of the committee on ways and bridges on bill, An Act to authorize Bath, West Bath and Brunswick to erect bridge over New Meadows river.

On further motion of Mr. Potter the acceptance of the report was reconsidered, and on further motion of the same gentleman the report was laid upon the table.

Passed to Be Engrossed.

An Act to amend Chapter 331 of the Private Laws of 1901, relating to open time on deer in Cumberland county.

An Act for the protection of the wild hare or rabbit.

Mr. Butler of Thomaston, offered amendment A, by inserting in the third line of Section 1 after the word "of" the words "April and May."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Stover of Brunswick, offered amendment B, in line three of Section 1, by inserting the words "March, April and May," between the words "of" and "June."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Burrill of Ellsworth, offered amendment C, by adding Section 3, "The provisions of Section 2 of this act do not apply to Hancock county, except to the island of Deer Isle."

The amendment was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Weeks of Fairfield, the bill was laid on the table in order that that gentleman might prepare an amendment to exclude Somerset county from the operation of the bill.

Resolve authorizing the land agent to sell certain public lots in Dallas Plantation, in Franklin county.

An Act to change the corporate name of Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Female College.

An Act to incorporate Washington County General Hospital.

An Act to authorize extensions of the Bangor & Aroostook Railroad, in Aroostook, Piscataquis and Penobscot counties.

An Act to authorize the Boston Excelsior Company to locate piers and booms in the Sebec river.

An Act to prevent the throwing of sawdust and other refuse matter into Half Moon stream or Sandy stream or any of the tributaries to Unity pond, in the county of Waldo.

An Act to incorporate the Fish River Improvement Company.

An Act to authorize Edward J. Mayo and his assigns to maintain a wharf in Sebec lake.

An Act to amend Chapter 3, Section 59, paragraph 12, of the Revised Statutes, relating to dealers in old junk.

Resolve in favor of the Madawaska Training School.

An Act to amend Chapter 143 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, entitled An Act to incorporate the Cumberland Illuminating Company.

An Act in relation to the discharge of debtors in cases now pending in insolvency courts.

An Act to amend Chapter 86 of the Revised Statutes, relating to trustee process.

An Act to renew and extend the charter of the Boothbay Harbor Banking Company.

Passed to be Enacted.

An Act to authorize the town of Brunswick to raise money to defray the expenses of locating a water supply.

An Act to amend Section 21 of Chapter 116 of the Revised Statutes, and Chapter 225 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to fees of registers of deeds.

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

An Act to regulate the appointment of constables by the city council of Portland.

An Act to enlarge the powers of the Carrabassett Stock Farms.

An Act to establish a school board for the city of Brewer.

Finally Passed.

Resolve in favor of the Maine School for the deaf.

Order of the Day.

Mr. CAMPBELL of Cherryfield: Mr. Speaker, at yesterday's session two reports of the committee on legal affairs in regard to the bill defining and enlarging the duties of juries in trials of misdemeanors were before the House, and I moved the acceptance of the majority report and assigned Tuesday next for their further consideration. Later in the session, at the request of Mr. Oakes of our committee, the matter was recommitted in order that one member who was not present to sign

the report should have an opportunity of doing so. I supposed that when the matter came back today it would take the same course as agreed upon yesterday. With the permission of the gentleman from Rumford (Mr. Pettengill) I move to reconsider the vote whereby the House accepted report B of the committee.

The question being on the reconsideration of the vote whereby the House accepted report B, a division was had and the motion was agreed to by a vote of 31 to 35.

Mr. OAKES of Auburn: Mr. Speaker, I understand the question now is on the acceptance of report B.

The SPEAKER: We reconsidered the acceptance of the report.

Mr. OAKES: And now the motion is pending, as I understand it.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Cherryfield (Mr. Campbell) moves to accept report A, and that both reports lie on the table to be printed, and that Wednesday of next week be assigned for their consideration.

Mr. PETTINGILL of Rumford: Mr. Speaker, I move to amend by substituting report B for report A.

The motion was agreed to.

The question being to lay on the table pending the acceptance of report B, and assigning for Wednesday of next week.

The motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Pike of Lubec, the report of the Washington county delegation, reporting ought to pass on bill, An Act to increase the salary of the judge of probate of Washington county, was taken from the table.

The report was then accepted and the bill was tabled for printing.

On motion of Mr. Dudley of Augusta, bill, An Act to amend the charter of the Bar Harbor Banking and Trust Company, was taken from the table.

The bill was then read the third time and was passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Presque Isle, bill, An Act in relation to meridian lines and a standard of length, was taken from the table.

Mr. Smith offered House amendment A, to strike out in the 33d line of Section 1 the figures "\$10.00" and insert in place thereof "\$25.00," and also in lines 35, 36 and 37 of said section strike out the words "And in addition such surveyor shall be barred from testifying in any court as to any survey not made in accordance herewith."

The bill was then read the third time and was passed to be engrossed as amended.

On motion of Mr. Oakes of Auburn, bill authorizing the Lewiston Trust and Safe Deposit Company to establish a branch at Freeport, was taken from the table.

The bill was then read the third time and was passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Oakes of Auburn, the report of the committee on inland fisheries and game, reporting ought not to pass on bill, An Act in regard to screening Lake Auburn, was taken from the table.

The report of the committee, reporting ought not to pass, was then accepted.

On motion of Mr. Burrill of Ellsworth, the vote was reconsidered whereby the report of the committee, reporting ought not to pass, on bill to amend charter of the city of Ellsworth, was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Burrill, the report of the committee was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Barker of Bangor, the majority and minority reports of the committee on counties, reporting ought to pass and ought not to pass on bill, An Act to set off a part of Reed Plantation and annex the same to Drew Plantation, was taken from the table.

Mr. Barker moved that the majority report, ought to pass, be accepted.

Mr. PAGE of Drew Plantation: Mr. Speaker, I wish to make a statement of facts concerning the bill before the House. In regard to the petition for setting off in 1889, I wish to show what was called for. Four years ago Drew Gore was purchased by a man living in Drew Plantation. He bought the same thinking he could have it set back to Drew, as the first set-off was an error. The man who owns this tract has built a large saw mill and is doing a large manufacturing business. He has built up a small village which has no road. One mile would let them out into Penobscot, while it would require seven or eight miles to connect them with Wypitlock village. Reed Pl. now contains over 45,000 acres and Drew about 13,000 acres. If the change asked for should be granted Reed Pl. would still contain about 36,000 acres while Drew would contain about 22,000 acres.

Aroostook county, larger than some states, would not be very badly cramped for land if this error should be corrected.

Now as to what the land owners claim: They say they knew all about the 9000 acres when it was set off from Drew. If they did, were they honest to conceal the fact from the Penobscot man who knew nothing about it until it was too late to remedy the affair?

It is said that every member is entitled to one act and this is the one particular act that I ask for. When I go home I want to know that my friends and neighbors have received what honestly belongs to them. (Applause).

Mr. LIBBY of Mechanic Falls: Mr. Speaker, I had not intended to say anything upon this matter and I hardly think it is necessary; but Mr. Page, the member from Drew Plantation, is a neighbor of mine. He has set here all winter by my side and I can testify that he has attended to his duties as a legislator with as much persistence as any member that I know of. He has been here early in the morning and late at night, and from all appearance he has sweat more blood than anybody else who has not been a candidate for some office. (Applause). And as the gentleman has well said before taking his seat, every man in this House is supposed to be entitled to one bill during the session. This is all the bill that the gentleman from Drew Plantation asks for, and I say that he ought to have it upon that ground if upon no other. (Applause).

The question being on the acceptance of the majority report.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Page of Drew Plantation, the rules were suspended, the bill received its three readings and was passed to be engrossed.

Today Assigned.

Bill, An Act to extend the time during which the tolls granted to the Bangor Bridge Company shall continue.

Mr. BARKER of Bangor: Mr. Speaker, I move a suspension of the rules to introduce a compromise bill, a substitute for Senate Document No. 179, which is acceptable to all parties, Brewer, Bangor and the Bridge Company, under the same title.

The motion was agreed to, and on further motion by Mr. Barker the bill was laid on the table.

On further motion by Mr. Barker, the special assignment was also laid on the table.

Today Assigned.

Majority and minority reports of the committee on ways and bridges, reporting "ought to pass" and "ought not to pass" on bill in new draft, An Act to provide for the ownership and maintenance of highway bridges by the State and the several counties.

Mr. OAKES of Milford: Mr. Speaker, I understand that all objection to concurrent action is withdrawn, and I move that the House concur with the Senate in the acceptance of the minority report.

The motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Weeks of Fairfield, bill for the protection of wild hare or rabbit, was taken from the table.

Mr. Weeks offered amendment D, by adding to the last section the words "The provision of this act shall not apply to Somerset county."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Pettengill of Rumford, offered amendment E, "The provisions of this act shall not apply to any portion of the county of Oxford."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Sturgis of Standish, offered amendment F, by striking out all of Section 2: "It shall be unlawful to use any snares, traps or other device in the hunting, pursuing or killing of the common wild hare or rabbits, or to hunt or kill the same except in the ordinary method of shooting with guns in the usual manner."

The amendment was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Clark of Prospect, the bill was laid on the table pending its third reading.

On motion of Mr. Thornton of Ashland, bill, to authorize navigation by steam of Eagle lake and connecting lakes in the county of Aroostook, was taken from the table.

The bill was then read the third time and was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill, to incorporate the Merchants Trust Company, came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules. In the House the

rules were suspended and the bill received its first reading, and pending its second reading it was laid on the table on motion of Mr. Dudley of Augusta.

The report of the committee on appropriations and financial affairs came from the Senate, reporting in a new draft and ought to pass on resolve in favor of an appropriation for the preservation of the remains of Fort William Henry now the property of the State of Maine.

Resolve in favor of an appropriation for the preservation of the remains of Fort William Henry, now the property of the State of Maine, came from the Senate passed to be engrossed under a suspension of the rules.

On motion of Mr. Clarke of Nobleboro the rules were suspended, the resolve received its two readings and was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Furbish of Rangeley, Adjourned.