

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

**Seventy-First Legislature**

OF THE

**STATE OF MAINE.**

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1903.

**HOUSE.**

Friday, March 20, 1903.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Struthers of South Gardiner.

(Mr. Libby of Mechanic Falls in the chair.)

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

**Senate Bills on First Reading.**

Resolve in favor of the Maine State Prison. (Passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules in concurrence.)

Resolve in favor of C. C. Libby. (Passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules in concurrence.)

An Act to incorporate the Messalonskee Electric Company.

This bill came from the Senate with the minority report "ought not to pass" accepted. On motion of Mr. Weeks of Fairfield the House voted to insist and ask for a committee of conference.

The Chair appointed as conferrees on the part of the House, Messrs. Weeks of Fairfield, Davis of Waterville and Reynolds of Winslow.

Bill, An Act in reference to State detectives, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed. In the House the bill was indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Resolutive in favor of Maine soldiers' monument at the Andersonville, Georgia, National Cemetery. (Read the third time and passed to be engrossed under a suspension of the rules in concurrence, on motion of Mr. Weeks of Fairfield.)

An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 172 of the Private and Special Laws of 1899 relating to lobster traps in Pigeon Hill bay. (Read the third time and passed to be engrossed under a suspension of the rules on motion of Mr. Clarke of Nobleboro.)

An Act to change the name of the State Reform School. (Read the third time and passed to be engrossed under a suspension of the rules on motion of Mr. Barker of Bangor.)

The following communication was read to the House by the clerk:

Headquarters, Department of Maine.  
Grand Army of the Republic.  
Brunswick, Me., March 17, 1903.  
At the Annual Encampment, Bangor,  
Feb. 19.

Hon. O. F. Fellows,  
Speaker of the House,

Dear Sir:—The Department of Maine, Grand Army of the Republic, in annual encampment assembled, desire to tender their sincere thanks to the Legislature of Maine now in session for their action in so promptly and generously making the appropriation for State pensions, and to express our cordial appreciation of their action in increasing the amount over previous years.

Official,  
(Signed)

ISAAC H. DANFORTH,

Asst. Adjt. Gen. Department of Maine,  
G. A. R.

On motion of Mr. Howe of Canton, the rules were suspended and that gentleman introduced bill, An Act, relating to the taxation of telegraph and telephone companies. (Referred to the committee on taxation.)

**Orders.**

On motion of Mr. Allen of Sanford, Ordered, That the committee on ways and means be instructed to ascertain and report to the House the rate necessary for the assessment of the State tax for the years 1903 and 1904.

On motion of Mr. Coburn of Greene, Ordered, That Mr. Albert of Madawaska be excused on the 25th of this month from further attendance on this session, and that the clerk be directed to make up his pay in full to the end of the session.

**Reports of Committees.**

Mr. Drew from the committee on judiciary, on bill, An Act to amend Chapter 137 of the Public Laws of 1887, as amended by Chapter 330 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to place where the judgment debtor shall be cited to disclose, reported ought not to pass.

Mr. Pettengill from the committee on appropriations and financial affairs, on resolve for the purchase of certain photographic views, reported ought not to pass.

Mr. Maybury from the committee on military affairs, on resolve in favor of George D. Gaddis, reported ought not to pass.

The report was accepted.

On motion by Mr. Page of Skowhegan, the vote was reconsidered whereby the report of the committee was accepted, and on further motion by the same gentleman, the resolve was recommitted to the committee on military affairs.

Mr. Maybury from the committee on military affairs, on resolve in favor of Frank Kilborn, F. Kilborn & Company and Ella Simpson, reported ought not to pass.

Messrs. Wilson, Pierce, Perkins, Irving and Thompson from the committee on education on bill, An Act relating to the apportionment of the State school fund and mill tax, reported ought not to pass.

On motion of Mr. Randall of Freeport, pending the acceptance of the report of the committee, the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Perkins from the committee on education, on resolve in favor of the Normal Schools of the State, reported ought not to pass.

Mr. Dudley from the committee on banks and banking, which was instructed by an order of the Legislature to inquire into the expediency of re-drafting Section 100 of Chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes, relating to investments of savings banks deposits, reported legislation unnecessary, the matter having been reported in a bill covering the subject under consideration.

Mr. Ross from the committee on interior waters on bill, An Act to incorporate the Penobscot River Power Company, reported that same be referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. Bailey from the committee on inland fisheries and game, on petition of C. W. Barrett and 50 others, praying that the 10-pound license law on trout and salmon be repealed, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. Twombly from the committee on labor, on bill, An Act for the better protection of workmen in dangerous occupations, reported ought not to pass.

Same gentleman from same committee, on order of the Legislature, relating to an act providing for the use of

the label of the International Typographical Union on all State printing, reported legislation thereon inexpedient.

Mr. Blake from the committee on salaries, on petition of the Oxford County Delegation praying that the salary of the county attorney be raised, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. Allen from the committee on inland fisheries and game, to which was recommitted bill, An Act for a bounty on lynx or wild cats, reported ought not to pass.

Same gentleman from same committee, on petition of Fred Morton and 44 others regarding fishing in Sweet's pond in Franklin county, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. Weeks from the committee on judiciary, reported in a new draft and ought to pass bill, An Act relating to political caucuses.

Mr. Smith from same committee, reported in a new draft and ought to pass bill, An Act to abolish issuing separate executions for costs by disclosure commissioners.

Same gentleman from same committee, on bill, An Act to amend Sections 17 and 19 of Chapter 105 of the Private and Special Laws of 1861, relating to the election of mayor, aldermen, common council, warden and ward clerks in the city of Lewiston, reported ought to pass.

Mr. Allen from the same committee, on bill, An Act to authorize the town of York to construct and maintain sewers in said town, reported ought to pass.

Mr. Littlefield from the same committee, on bill, An Act to incorporate the Naples Water Company, reported ought to pass.

Same gentleman from same committee, on bill, An Act relating to the powers and duties of administrators de bonis non, reported ought to pass.

Mr. Drew from same committee, on bill, An Act to amend the charter of the city of Lewiston and to provide for a street, sewer and permanent improvement department, reported ought to pass.

Mr. Littlefield from the same committee, reported in a new draft and ought to pass bill, An Act in relation to lime and lime casks.

Mr. Drew from same committee, reported in a new draft and ought to pass, resolves providing for an amendment to the constitution, relating to the limitation of municipal indebtedness.

Mr. Eaton from the committee on appropriations and financial affairs, reported in a new draft and ought to pass resolve in aid of the navigation of Lewey, Long and Big Lakes.

Mr. Page from the same committee, on resolve in favor of the Norcross Transportation Company, reported ought to pass.

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

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Putnam of Houlton, the rules were suspended, the resolve was given its two readings and was passed to be engrossed.

Mr. Eaton from the committee on appropriations and financial affairs, on resolve in favor of the city of Eastport, reported ought to pass.

Mr. Dudley from the same committee, on resolve in favor of the early York deeds, reported ought to pass.

Mr. Thompson from the committee on education, on bill, An Act to provide for the assessment and expenditure of the income arising from the permanent school fund in certain towns, reported ought to pass.

Messrs. Wilson, Perkins, Irving and Thompson from the committee on education, on bill, An Act relating to the apportionment of the State school fund and mill tax, reported ought not to pass.

Messrs. Randall, Mead and Stearns from the same committee, reported in a new draft and ought to pass bill, An Act relating to the apportionment of the State school fund and mill tax.

On motion of Mr. Thompson of Orono, both reports were laid on the table, pending the acceptance of either report.

Mr. Maybury from the committee on military affairs, on bill, An Act for an addition to the law of 1897, relating to the burial of soldiers, extending the provisions to widows of soldiers in certain cases, reported ought to pass.

Mr. Pettengill from the committee on interior waters, reported in a new draft

and ought to pass bill, An Act to authorize the navigation by steam or electricity of Range pond in the town of Poland, reported ought to pass.

Mr. Putnam from the committee on interior waters, on bill, An Act to permit the Longwood Real Estate Company to erect a wharf in Long lake in the town of Naples, reported ought to pass.

Mr. Shaw from the same committee, reported in a new draft and ought to pass bill, An Act enlarging the corporate powers of Lawrence Lumber Company.

Mr. Dilling from the committee on inland fisheries and game, on petition, reported bill, An Act to prohibit the use of any kind of horns, cow bells or other bells, cymbals or tambourines, in hunting wild animals in the county of Hancock.

Mr. Hill from the same committee, on petition, reported bill, An Act for the protection of shore birds, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Allen from the same committee, on petition, reported bill, An Act to repeal so much of Chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Section 5 of Chapter 42 of the Public Laws of 1899, and as amended by Chapter 379 of the Private and Special Laws of 1901, as closes Oakes pond in Cornville to ice fishing.

Mr. Bailey from the same committee, on bill, An Act relating to the open season for fishing in Wilson lake in the town of Wilton, reported ought to pass.

Mr. Sturgis from the committee on towns, on bill, An Act to legalize the acts and doings of Nashville Plantation, reported ought to pass.

Same gentleman from same committee, on bill, An Act to incorporate the Brooks Village Corporation. Reported ought to pass.

Mr. Howe from the committee on taxation, on order of the Legislature relating to the expediency of increasing the tax on express companies, reported bill, An Act relating to a license tax on express companies.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported in a new draft and ought to pass bill, An Act to amend Chapter 174 of the Public Laws of 1901, relating

to a franchise tax on sleeping and palace cars.

Messrs. Thompson, Davidson, Patterson and Farnsworth from the committee on taxation, on bill, An Act relating to taxation of land in unincorporated places, reported ought to pass.

Messrs. Gardner and Bodwell from the same committee, on same matter, reported ought not to pass.

On motion of Mr. Thompson of Orono, pending the acceptance of either report, both reports were laid on the table for printing.

Mr. Davidson from same committee, on resolve waiving a forfeiture of the public lots in the north half of Township Number Four, Hancock county, North Division, reported ought to pass.

Mr. Campbell from the committee on legal affairs, reported in a new draft and ought to pass bill, An Act to amend Chapter 65 of the Public Laws of 1875, relative to Petit Menan Point.

On motion of Mr. Campbell of Cherryfield, the rules were suspended, the bill was read three times and was passed to be engrossed.

Mr. Blanchard from the Cumberland County Delegation, reported in a new draft and ought to pass bill, An Act relating to the new iron bridge over the Presumpscot river in the town of Falmouth.

Messrs. Staples, Burleigh, Bailey, Dilling, Hill, Cordwell and Gannett from the committee on inland fisheries and game, on petition of the selectmen of Byron and others, praying that the bounty on bears be restored, reported leave to withdraw.

Messrs. Stetson, Allen and Furbish from the same committee, on same petition, reported bill, An Act providing for a bounty on bears in Oxford county.

The pending question being upon the acceptance of the majority report,

Mr. Howe of Canton, moved that the minority report be substituted for the majority report.

On motion of Mr. Weeks of Fairfield, pending the acceptance of either report, both reports and bill were laid on the table for printing, and Tuesday of next week assigned for their consideration.

Mr. Blake from the committee on salaries, on petition, reported bill, An Act to increase the salary of the justice

of the superior court of the county of Cumberland, and that it ought to pass.

The reports were accepted and the bills and resolves ordered printed under the joint rules.

Mr. Irving from the committee on education, on bill, An Act to amend Section 112, Chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 37 of the Public Laws of 1891, and by Chapter 121 of the Public Laws of 1895, and by Chapter 308 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to normal schools and the Madawaska Training School, reported ought to pass. (Referred to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs.)

Same gentleman from same committee, on resolve to provide for the services of a stenographer and typewriter when needed, and for extra clerk hire in the office of the State Superintendent of Public Schools, reported ought to pass. (Referred to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs.)

Mr. Thomas from the same committee, on resolve providing for the expense of examination of candidates for Cecil John Rhodes scholarships, reported ought to pass. (Referred to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs.)

Mr. Oakes from the committee on ways and bridges, reported in a new draft and ought to pass resolve in favor of rebuilding bridge across the West Branch of the Saint Croix river connecting the town of Princeton and Indian township. (Referred to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs.)

Same gentleman from same committee, on petition, reported resolve in favor of Connor Plantation. (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 repairing the bridge across the Saint Croix river near Squirrel Point in Baileyville. (Referred to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs.)

Mr. Blake from the committee on salaries, on bill, An Act to increase the salary of the county attorney of Sagadahoc county, reported ought to pass.

Referred to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs.)

**First Reading of Printed Bills and Resolves.**

An Act to amend the charter of the Penobscot Lumber Association.

An Act relating to prize logs on the Penobscot river and its tributaries.

Resolve in favor of the town of Cutler.

An Act additional to the act creating the Rumford Falls Municipal Court.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Children's Home Society, Augusta.

An Act to incorporate the Madunkeunk Dam and Improvement Company.

An Act to amend Chapter 96 of the Public Laws of 1899 entitled "An Act to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of a pharmacist."

An Act amendatory of Section one of Chapter 221 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to waiving the provisions of a will by the widow or widower, and to wills in which no provision is made for the widow or widower, and the interest which the widow or widower shall have in the personal estate of the testator or testatrix in such cases.

An Act to amend Section two of Chapter 508 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885, as amended by Chapter 134 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, Chapter 527 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, and Chapter 425 of the Private and Special Laws of 1901, relating to Norway municipal court.

An Act to incorporate the Fraternity Temple Company.

An Act to incorporate the Peaks Island Water and Light Company.

An Act in relation to Agricultural Societies. (Referred to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs on motion of Mr. Briggs of Auburn.)

An Act relating to bonds to be given by treasurers of towns and plantations.

An Act to amend Chapter 11 of the Public Laws of 1887, as amended by Chapter 44 of the Public Laws of 1899, authorizing cities and towns to accept legacies, devises and bequests, and to raise money.

An Act to incorporate the Augusta Water District.

An Act to amend Chapter 429 of the Private and Special Laws of 1901, entitled "An Act to establish a municipal court in the town of Winthrop."

An Act to amend Sections 2 and 16 of Chapter 48 of the Revised Statutes, relating to corporations.

An Act to limit the number of fish that may be taken from Spring lake, in Somerset county, in one day.

An Act fixing the beginning of the open season for fishing in Little Sebago pond, in the towns of Gray and Windham in Cumberland county.

An Act to incorporate the Duck Lake Dam Company.

An Act to repeal so much of Chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 42, Section 5 of the Public Laws of 1893, as prohibits fishing in Parlin stream, in Somerset county, from the mouth of Bean brook to Long pond.

An Act to repeal so much of Chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Section 5 of chapter 42 of the Public Laws of 1899, and as amended by Chapter 379 of the Private and Special Laws of 1901, as prohibits fishing through the ice in Big Carry pond, or West Carry pond, so-called, in Somerset county.

An Act to repeal so much of Chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Section 5 of Chapter 42 of the Public Laws of 1899, and as amended by Chapter 329 of the Private and Special Laws of 1901, as prohibits ice fishing in Black, Whittier and Perry ponds, in the towns of Vienna and Chesterville, in Kennebec and Franklin counties.

An Act to repeal so much of Chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Section 5 of Chapter 42 of the Public Laws of 1899, and as amended by Chapter 230 of the Private and Special Laws of 1901, as prohibits fishing through the ice in Large Greenwood pond in Elliottsville and Willimantic, in Piscataquis county.

An Act to prohibit the sale of any kind of fish, except eels, taken from certain ponds in Kennebec and Somerset counties.

An Act to incorporate the Kibbie Dam Company.

An Act to prohibit fishing in Morrill pond in the county of Somerset.

An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 516 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, entitled "An Act additional relating to the appointment of recorder for the Bath municipal court."

An Act to prevent the destruction of smelts or tomcods, so-called, in Steuben bay.

An Act relating to the salary of the register of probate of Sagadahoc county.

An Act relating to compensation of county commissioners of Hancock county.

An Act to exempt religious institutions from the collateral inheritance tax.

An Act to prohibit the taking of clams in the shores or flats within the town of Scarborough.

Resolve abating a part of the State tax of the town of Bowdoinham for the years 1903 and 1904.

An Act to regulate the taking of black bass in Upper Kezar pond in Oxford county. Also to prohibit the taking of smelts in any tributary of said pond.

Mr. Weatherbee from the committee on federal relations, on petition of Charles L. Fox and others, praying for the national ownership of the anthracite coal mines, and for permanent municipal coal and wood yards, reported that the petitions be referred to the next Legislature.

On motion of Mr. Knowlton of Camden, the rules were suspended and that gentleman introduced bill, An Act for the protection of squirrels and chipmunks in the county of Knox. (Referred to the Knox County Delegation.)

Bill, An Act to incorporate the Patten Trust Company, came from the Senate passed to be engrossed under a suspension of the rules. On motion of Mr. Dudley of Augusta, the bill was tabled pending concurrent action with the Senate.

Mr. Plummer from the committee on public charities and State beneficiaries, reported in a new draft, resolve in favor of the Bangor Children's Home, and that it ought to pass. (Referred to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs.)

Mr. Hyde from same committee, reported in a new draft, resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine General Hospital, and that it ought to pass. (Referred to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs.)

The following communication was received from the office of the secretary of State:

To the Speaker of the House:

I have the honor to herewith transmit county estimates for the several counties of the State for the years 1903 and 1904. Very obediently,

Your obedient servant,

BYRON BOYD, Secretary of State.

On motion of Mr. Dudley of Augusta, this communication was referred to the committee on county estimates.

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 legalize the doings of the selectmen of the town of Waltham.

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 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 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 285 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to insane criminals.

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 amend an act entitled "An Act to regulate the admission to prac-



tice of attorneys, solicitors and counselors, to provide for a board of examiners, and to repeal conflicting acts," approved, March 17, 1889.

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

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 3, 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.

At this point the Speaker resumed the chair.

#### Passed to Be Enacted.

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

An Act to authorize Frederick J. Merrill fo Damariscotta, to construct a tide wheel in tide waters of Damariscotta river.

An Act to amend the charter of the Lubec Water Company.

An Act to amend Section 35 of Chapter 99 of the Revised Statutes, relating to powers and duties of bail commissioners.

An Act to regulate the taking of bail in criminal prosecution.

An Act to establish an additional normal school to be located at Presque Isle in the county of Aroostook.

An Act relating to the powers of the Portland and Rumford Falls Railway.

An Act to incorporate the Rangeley Trust Company of Rangeley, Maine.

#### Finally Passed.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary.

Resolve in favor of the hospital of the Sisters of Charity of Lewiston, Maine.

Resolve for repairs of highway in Upton, Magalloway Plantation and Township C, in the county of Oxford.

Resolve in favor of the Central Maine General Hospital.

Resolve in favor of the Augusta City Hospital.

Resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine General Hospital.

#### Orders of the Day.

On motion of Mr. Davis of Waterville, the rules were suspended and that gentleman introduced bill, An Act to amend the Public Laws of 1903 relating to treasurers and collectors, and on further motion by Mr. Davis the bill was tabled for printing pending reference to a committee.

Mr. WEEKS of Fairfield: Mr. Speaker, in order that the members of the House may be informed as to the contents of that bill before printing, I would request that the clerk read it at the present time.

The clerk read the bill.

Mr. WEEKS: I would ask the gentleman from Waterville if it is his intention that this bill is to be considered by the House without reference to any committee.

Mr. DAVIS: That was my desire if the House can sufficiently inform itself of the contents of the bill. And I would say further that the session being so far along I wanted, if possible, that the members should inform themselves in regard to it, and so I suggested the printing—otherwise I would have asked that it take its three readings at the present time. I will say in explanation of my position that I have had a great many protests, and others have had the same, not having understood that law along these lines. It has worked and it is working a hardship to the cities and towns of the State to divorce those two offices. In my own town, for instance, it means probably an expense of from \$600 to \$1000 additional by having two separate offices and two separate sets of expenses; and while I am aware that some provision has been made for what has been done illegally by towns and cities for the rest of the year, it seems to me that the sentiment, if I read it aright, is that the old arrangement was infinitely superior to this one. Therefore, in accordance with that spirit and request, I have introduced this bill at this time. If the members can sufficiently inform themselves in regard to the merits of the bill, I would like to have it take its three readings and be passed to be engrossed; but I do not wish to spring anything on the House.

On motion of Mr. Tremblay of Lewiston, the rules were suspended and that gentleman introduced bill, An Act making the first day of January a legal public holiday; also bill, An Act to secure to employees of manufacturing, mercantile and mechanical establishments a sufficient opportunity to vote at elections. (Referred to the committee on the judiciary.)

Mr. Campbell from the committee on legal affairs, reported in a new draft bill, An Act to extend the powers of the Union River Light, Gas and Power Company, and that it ought to pass. (Report accepted and bill ordered printed under joint rules.)

On motion of Mr. Dudley of Augusta, bill to incorporate the Patten Trust Company, was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same gentleman the rules were suspended, the bill received its

three readings and was passed to be engrossed.

The following order came from the Senate:

Ordered, That when the Senate and House adjourn, the House concurring, that they adjourn to Saturday, March 21, at 8.30 A. M.

Mr. Weeks of Fairfield, moved that the order be indefinitely postponed.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. Perkins of Wilton, then moved that when the House adjourns, it adjourn to meet, Saturday forenoon at 8.30 o'clock.

The motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Randall of Freeport, the majority and minority reports of the committee on education in regard to the apportionment of the State school fund and mill tax, were taken from the table, and on further motion by the same gentleman they were again laid on the table to be printed.

Mr. Smith of Presque Isle, moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House voted to adjourn to meet at 8.30 o'clock, Saturday morning, March 21st.

A division being had, the motion was lost by a vote of 26 to 40.

On motion of Mr. Randall of Freeport, the majority and minority reports of the committee on education relating to the apportionment of the State school fund and mill tax, were laid on the table, and on further motion by the same gentleman, the reports and bill were again tabled for printing and Tuesday of next week assigned for their consideration.

On motion of Mr. Weeks of Fairfield, bill, additional to Chapter 73 of the Revised Statutes, was taken from the table.

Mr. Weeks offered House amendment A, by addition to the title the words "relating to title to property."

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

On motion of Mr. Clarke of Prospect, bill, in relation to protection of the wild hare or rabbit, was taken from the table.

Mr. Howe of Canton, offered House amendment G, "No part of this act shall be construed as applying to rabbits over 18 years of age."

On motion of Mr. Potter of Brunswick, the bill and amendments were re-committed to the committee on inland fisheries and game.

On motion of Mr. Potter of Brunswick, report of committee on ways and bridges, reporting "ought to pass" on bill to authorize Bath, West Bath and Brunswick to build a bridge over New Meadows river between Brunswick and West Bath, was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same gentleman the report of the committee was accepted, the bill received its three readings and was passed to be engrossed.

#### Today Assigned.

Report of the committee on taxation, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill relating to the taxation of mortgages.

On motion of Mr. Putnam of Houlton, this report was tabled and Tuesday of next week assigned for its consideration.

Bill, conferring additional power upon the trustees of the University of Maine.

On motion of Mr. Josselyn of Portland, the bill received its third reading and was passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Perkins of Wilton, Adjourned.