

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

Seventy-Second Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1905.

HOUSE.

Wednesday, Jan. 18, 1905.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Plummer of Hal-lowell.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

Bill, an act to regulate the practice of veterinary surgery, medicine and dentistry, referred in the House to the committee on legal affairs, comes from the Senate that body non-concurring with the House in its reference, and referring the bill to the committee on agriculture.

On motion of Mr. Kinsman of Cornville the House receded and concurred with the Senate in its reference.

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

Judiciary.

By Mr. Lanigan of Waterville: Bill, an act to incorporate the Messalonskee Electric Company.

By Mr. Johnson of Waterville: Bill, an act relating to trustee process; also Bill, an act to amend section 28 of Chapter 114 of the Revised Statutes relating to relief of poor debtors; also, Bill, an act to authorize the taking of land and rights therein for water supplies; also Bill, an act to provide for recording condemnation proceedings; also Bill, an act to amend an act incorporating the Kennebec Water District; also Bill, an act to amend paragraph 6 of chapter 88 of the Revised Statutes.

By Mr. Buzzell of Old Town: Bill, an act to ratify and confirm the organization of the Penobscot Valley Gas Company and to give said company additional powers.

By Mr. Philbrook of Lisbon: Bill, an act to extend the provisions of chapter 241 of the private and special laws of 1903 entitled, "an act to supply the town of Lisbon with pure water."

By Mr. Smith of Madison: Bill, an act to authorize the Great Northern Paper Company to hold stock of the West Branch Driving and Reservoir Dam Company.

By Mr. Hall of Dover: Bill, an act

to amend chapter 11 of the private and special laws of 1903 relating to the Dover and Foxcroft Water District.

By Mr. Hale of Portland: Bill, an act to authorize the Dover Gas Light Company to acquire the property and franchises of the United Gas and Electric Company; also Bill, an act to authorize the United Gas and Electric Company to sell its property and franchises to the Dover Gas Light Company; also, Resolve in relation to early York deeds.

Legal Affairs.

By Mr. Oakes of Auburn: Bill, an act providing penalties for malfeasance of duty by sheriffs, deputy sheriffs and county attorneys.

By Mr. Barter of Portland: Bill, an act authorizing the construction of a wharf into the tide waters of Casco Bay in the town of Falmouth, Me.

Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

By Mr. Baxter of Portland: Petition of Edward D. Gilman and 14 others in favor of the Temporary Home for women and children at Portland.

By Mr. Poor of Belfast: Petition of Harry Lutz and 66 others in favor of Children's Aid Society of Belfast, Me.; also petition of the mayor of Belfast and 100 others in favor Waldo County General Hospital.

By Mr. Irving of Presque Isle: Petition of George H. Collins of Presque Isle and 86 others relative to the establishment of a Home for the feeble-minded.

By Mr. Josselyn of Portland: Petition of Edith H. McAlpine and 34 others for same.

By Mr. Swett of Portland: Resolve in aid of the Temporary Home for Women and Children at Portland.

By Mr. Reed of Portland: Resolve in favor of the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary.

Railroads and Expresses.

By Mr. Baldwin of Boothbay Harbor: Bill, an act to extend the time of construction of the Boothbay Railroad.

By Mr. Johnson of Waterville: Bill, an act to extend and amend the charter of the Waterville and Winslow Bridge Company.

By Mr. Kinsman of Augusta: Bill, an act to amend section 7 of chapter

53 of the Revised Statutes relating to locations of street railroads organized under the general laws of the State.

Banks and Banking.

By Mr. Poor of Belfast: Bill, an act to incorporate the Belfast Banking Company.

By Mr. Shaw of Clinton: Bill, an act to incorporate the Clinton Trust Company.

By Mr. Hastings of Bethel: Bill, an act to incorporate the Bethel Trust Company.

By Mr. Byron of Phillips: Bill, an act to extend the charter of the Phillips Trust Company.

By Mr. Oakes of Auburn: Bill, an act to extend the charter of the Merchants' Trust Company and to change the names of some of the incorporators.

By Mr. Smith of Madison: Bill, an act to amend and extend the charter of the Millinocket Trust Company.

By Mr. Hall of Dover: Bill, an act to authorize the Piscataquis Savings Bank of Dover, Maine, to construct and maintain safety deposit boxes.

By Mr. Josseyn of Portland: Bill, an act to incorporate the Merchants' Trust Company at Portland, Maine.

Military Affairs.

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

Interior Waters.

By Mr. Hastings of Bethel: Petition of Stephen B. Cummings and others for a charter to construct and operate a log conveyor from Richardson lake in Oxford county to the Mooselucmaguntic lake, with an act accompanying the same; also Bill, an act to incorporate the Bemis Log Hauling Company.

By Mr. Norcross of Winthrop: Bill, an act to authorize the town of Winthrop to erect and maintain a wharf in Lake Maranacook, in the county of Kennebec.

By Mr. Therriault of Grand Isle: Bill, an act to authorize James Crawford and his associates to erect and maintain piers and booms in the Saint John river in the town of Grand Isle.

By Mr. Hall of Dover: Bill, an act to amend chapter 130 of the private and special laws of 1866 entitled, "An act

to incorporate the Sebec Dam Company," as amended by section 6 of chapter 26 of the private and special laws of 1899, and further amended by chapter 141 of the private and special laws of 1903.

State Lands and State Roads.

By Mr. Hale of Portland: Petition of Mrs. Geo. C. Frye and 9 others, members of the Travelers' Club of Portland, for the preservation of the fields and forests.

By Mr. Norcross of Winthrop: Petition of Rose B. Parker and 11 others, members of Women's Clubs of Maine, for same.

By Mr. Hussey of Vassalboro: Petition of Kate R. Stillson, president of the Current Events Club of Vassalboro, and 21 others, for same.

By Mr. Berry of Carthage: Petition of Mrs. A. B. Allen, and 17 others, for same.

By Mr. Witt of Norway: Petition of Mary L. Howe, and 10 others, for same.

By Mr. Baldwin of Boothbay Harbor: Petition of Grace M. Hussey and 15 others, for same.

By Mr. Hall of Dover: Petition of Clara M. Sampson and 35 others, for same.

Inland Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Norcross of Winthrop: Bill, an act to regulate fishing in Cobbosseecontee Stream, Kennebec county.

By Mr. Belleau of Lewiston: Resolve providing for the screening of Sabattus pond, with statement of facts.

Shore Fisheries.

By Mr. Turner of Whitefield: Petition of Daniel McCobb and 65 others for the protection of oysters in Sheepscott River.

By Mr. Grant of Freeport: Bill, an act to change Section 54 of Chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes relating to the taking of clams.

Towns.

By Mr. Fulton of Blaine: Bill, an act to incorporate the town of Westfield in the county of Aroostook.

Kennebec County Delegation.

By Mr. Norcross of Winthrop: Petition of C. M. Thomas and 36 others for passage of bill in relation to original plans in Kennebec county.

Orders of the Day.

On motion of Mr. Merrill of Skowhegan: Bill, an act to amend Section 25 of Chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes relating to the taxation of railroad companies, was taken from the table and on further motion by the same gentlemen it was referred to the committee on taxation.

A message was received from the Senate through its secretary proposing a joint convention of the two branches of the Legislature at 12 o'clock, meridian, on this 18th day of January in the hall of the House, for the purpose of reading the journal of each branch of the Legislature relating to the vote for a Senator in Congress for the term beginning on the fourth day of March next, and for such other proceedings in relation to the matter of the election of such Senator in Congress as are required by the constitution and statutes of the United States.

On motion of Mr. Sewall of Bath, that gentleman was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate informing that branch of the concurrence on the part of the House with the proposition for a joint convention for the purposes indicated in the message.

Mr. Sewall subsequently reported that he had performed the duty assigned him.

On motion of Mr. Buzzell of Old Town a recess was taken until 11.55 o'clock.

After recess the House was called to order by the Speaker.

In Convention.

At 12 o'clock the Senate and House met in joint convention in Representatives' Hall. The journals of both branches relating to the vote for United States Senator having been read, Senator Stetson of Penobscot presented the following order:

ORDERED, That Hon. Eugene Hale of Ellsworth be and hereby is declared duly elected Senator in Congress for the term of six years, beginning on the fourth of March, A. D. 1905; and further ordered that the secretary of the convention forthwith inform the Governor of the election and declaration thereof by the Legislature of Hon. Eugene Hale of Ellsworth as Senator in the

Congress of the United States for the term of six years beginning on the fourth of March, A. D. 1905.

The order received a passage.

The PRESIDENT: And I declare Eugene Hale of Ellsworth elected to the Senate of the United States from the State of Maine for the term of six years beginning March 4, 1905, (ap-
plause), and the secretary of the convention will convey the information to the Governor.

The secretary subsequently reported that he had performed the duty assigned him.

The Senate then retired.

In House.

On motion of Mr. Sewall the rules were suspended and that gentleman presented the following order:

ORDERED, The Senate concurring, that the joint select committee on State printing be and hereby is authorized to employ a stenographer and to summon witnesses to appear and produce books and papers and other documents and give evidence pertaining to the inquiry with which the committee is charged.

The order received a passage.

On motion of Mr. Walker, of Lovell, Adjourned.