

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

Seventy-Second Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1905.

HOUSE.

Wednesday, February 1, 1905.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Josselyn of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

Bill, an act to prohibit sales of merchandise in bulk in fraud of creditors, referred in the Senate to the committee on the judiciary, was tabled in the House for printing pending its reference in concurrence, on motion of Mr. Reed of Portland.

Bill, an act to abolish the office of State printer, referred in the Senate to the committee on legal affairs, was tabled in the House on motion of Mr. Sewall of Bath.

Order relating to the use of automobiles on public ways, amended in the Senate by Senate amendment A, was tabled in the House for printing on motion of Mr. Stevens of Portland.

Senate Bills on First Reading.

Resolve in favor of the Aroostook Normal School.

An act to provide for the treatment of persons suffering from the effects of the habitual use of narcotics.

An act to authorize the Northern Maine Seaport Railroad Company to lease or to sell its railroad to the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company. (Read a third time and passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules on motion of Mr. Kimball of Rockland.)

An act to authorize the Northern Maine Seaport Railroad to locate across tide water of the Passagassawaukeag river. (Read a third time and passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules on motion of Mr. Kimball of Rockland.)

An act to authorize the Northern Maine Seaport Railroad Company and the Bangor Investment Company to build wharves and piers in or near Cape Jellison harbor. (Read a third time and passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules on motion of Mr. Kimball of Rockland.)

An act to authorize the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company to guarantee the first-mortgage bonds of the Northern Maine Seaport Railroad Com-

ing with the State's unfortunate, poor, pany. (Read a third time and passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules on motion of Mr. Kimball of Rockland.)

An act to authorize the Northern Maine Seaport Railroad Company to locate and build its road across an inlet of Cape Jellison Harbor. (Read a third time and passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules on motion of Mr. Kimball of Rockland.)

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

Judiciary.

By Mr. Johnson of Waterville: Petition of A. G. Fenner and 350 others, employees of the Maine Central Railroad Company, in favor of an amendment to the trustee process.

Also petition of W. L. Keene and 62 others for same.

Also petition of W. H. Abbott and 15 others for same.

Also petition of George P. Colby and 59 others for same.

Also petition of F. B. Gardiner and 61 others for same.

By Mr. Langan of Waterville: Petition of Robert Stobie and 200 others, employees of the Hollingsworth & Whitney Company at Waterville, for same.

By Mr. Hastings of Bethel: Remonstrance of Hastings Bros. and 14 others against any change in the law relating to the trustee process.

By Mr. Hale of Portland: Remonstrance of Henry L. Mitchell and 23 others, members of the Penobscot bar, against same.

By Mr. Buzzell of Oldtown: Bill, an act to amend section 1 of chapter 89 of the private and special laws of 1903 entitled "An act to authorize the Penobscot Chemical Fibre Company to make, generate, use, transmit and sell electricity."

By Mr. Whitmore of Brunswick: Bill, an act in relation to entertainments on the Lord's day.

By Mr. Littlefield of Rockland: Bill, an act to amend section 10 of chapter 98 of the Revised Statutes relating to replevin suits.

Also bill, an act to amend section 101

of chapter 4 of the Revised Statutes relating to harbors and waterways.

By Mr. Merrill of Skowhegan: Bill, an act to increase the capital stock of the Skowhegan Hall Association.

Also bill, an act to authorize the town of Skowhegan to subscribe to the capital stock of Skowhegan Hall Association.

Also bill, an act to authorize Skowhegan Hall Association to issue preferred stock.

Legal Affairs.

By Mr. Hastings of Bethel: Petition of Gardiner L. Sturdivant and 38 others praying for the passage of the optical bill.

Also petition of F. C. Jordan and 18 others for same.

By Mr. Reed of Portland: Bill, an act to incorporate the Peaks Island Gas Company.

By Mr. Higgins of Limerick: Bill, an act to regulate the practitioners of Optometry in the State of Maine.

By Mr. Shaw of Clinton: Bill, an act to enable the Clinton Electric Light Company to issue bonds.

By Mr. Poor of Belfast. Resolve of the Children's Aid Society of Belfast in favor of an act for the protection of children.

Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

By Mr. Copp of Cornish: Petition of Samuel G. Sawyer and 33 others in favor of an appropriation in aid of the Maine State Sanatorium Association.

By Mr. Barrows of Newport: Petition of B. Porter, M. D., and 9 others for same.

By Mr. Abbott of North Berwick: Petition of William B. Tobey of North Berwick and 36 others for same.

By Mr. Sawyer of Milbridge: Petition of H. H. Gray and others of Milbridge for same.

By Mr. Hall of Dover: Petition of J. Q. Lander and 20 others for same.

Also petition of C. W. Hayes and 21 others for same.

By Mr. Stearns of Millinocket: Petition of F. D. Weymouth, M. D., and 28 others for same.

By Mr. Hastings of Bethel: Petition of Gardiner L. Sturdivant, M. D., and 31 others for same.

Also petition of F. E. Leslie, M. D., and 20 others for same.

By Mr. Morey of Lewiston: Resolve in favor of the city of Lewiston.

By Mr. Littlefield of Rockland: Resolve in favor of the city of Rockland.

By Mr. Gannett of Augusta, Ordered, The Senate concurring, that the several clergymen officiating in divine service for the Senate and House of Representatives during the present session of the Legislature be paid the sum of five dollars for each day's service.

Education.

By Mr. Hall of Dover: Bill, an act to amend chapter 15 of the Revised Statutes relating to the education of youth.

Railroads and Expresses.

By Mr. Oakes of Auburn: Bill an act to amend the charter of the Auburn and Turner Railroad.

Banks and Banking.

By Mr. Sargent of Castine: Petition of George M. Warren and 9 others of Castine for passage of bill to amend the charter of Waldo Trust Company.

By Mr. Knapp of South Portland: Bill, an act to amend section 76 of chapter 48 of the Revised Statutes relating to loan and building associations.

By Mr. Barrows of Newport: Bill, an act to incorporate the Newport Trust Company.

State Lands and State Roads.

By Mr. Cobb of Gardiner: Petition of Mrs. Ella M. S. Tanberg, president of Twentieth Century Club of Gardiner, Maine, and 65 others in favor of law for preservation of fields and forests.

By Mr. Vittum of Concord: Bill, an act in relation to the lands reserved for public uses in plantation of Pleasant Ridge.

Ways and Bridges.

By Mr. Vittum of Concord: Petition of J. J. Lander and 7 others of Bingham for aid in building a highway bridge across the Kennebec river between the towns of Bingham and Concord.

Also petition of C. M. Hull and 21 others of Moscow and Bingham for same.

Also petition of W. R. Jordan and 18 others of Bingham for same.

By Mr. Lanigan of Waterville: Bill, an act to provide for the appointment of a commissioner of highways and economy in municipal expenditure.

Inland Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Holmes of Caribou: Petition of W. L. Oak and 54 others, business men of Caribou, praying for a law to prevent the throwing of sawdust and other mill waste into Fish river and its tributaries in Aroostook county.

By Mr. Hastings of Bethel: Petition of Gilman Chapman and 28 others asking for the repeal of section 13 of chapter 32 of the Revised Statutes relative to the method of catching of wild hare or rabbits.

By Mr. Martin of Rumford: Remonstrance of Waldo Pettengill and 77 others against any law prohibiting still fishing in the Rangeley lakes.

By Mr. Howes of Palmyra: Remonstrance of John Gilmore and 32 others, farmers and business men of Detroit, against the repeal of the law protecting deer in organized towns and plantations.

By Mr. Vittum of Concord: Remonstrance of W. J. Holway and 29 others of The Forks against same.

Also remonstrance of Fred Clark and 40 others of Caratunk against same.

By Mr. Bean of New Sharon: Remonstrance of J. Willis Jordan and 55 others against same.

Shore Fisheries.

By Mr. Baldwin of Boothbay Harbor: Petition of Paul B. Conkling and 106 others for a law prohibiting the use of seines or nets for taking smelts in Oven's Mouth river.

By Mr. Clark of Tremont: Remonstrance of William L. Butler and 43 others against a close time in fishing for scallops in Bluehill bay, Hancock county.

By Mr. Littlefield of Rockland: Bill, an act relating to clams in Cushing, with petition for same.

Towns.

By Mr. Knapp of South Portland: Bill, an act to secure a correct census of deaf, dumb, blind, feeble-minded, idiotic and insane in this State.

By Mr. Whitmore of Brunswick: Bill, an act relating to moving buildings through the streets of cities and villages.

Pensions.

By Mr. Barrows of Newport: Petition of J. W. Webster and 49 others in favor of increase of State aid of Miss Fannie L. Jenkins.

Also petition of Newport Board of Trade for same.

Temperance.

By Mr. Jillson of Otisfield: Petition of John S. White and 19 others to investigate the non-enforcement of the so-called prohibitory law in Cumberland county.

By Mr. Oakes of Auburn: Remonstrance of J. O. Palmer and 41 others of Livermore against resubmission.

By Mr. Smith of Saco: Remonstrance of Albert Lord and 11 others of Eliot against same.

Also remonstrance of Henry M. Berry and 25 others of Saco against same.

By Mr. Oakes of Auburn: Remonstrance of Amos F. Lunt and 42 others of Durham against same.

Also remonstrance of Lowell M. Mower and 32 others of Greene against same.

Kennebec County Delegation.

By Mr. Johnson of Hallowell: Petition of Fred Emery Beane and eight others requesting the passage of the bill entitled, "An act in relation to the original plans of towns in Kennebec county."

By Mr. Reed of Portland: Bill, an act to provide for the appointment of a probation officer for the Cumberland. (Tabled for printing pending reference on motion of Mr. Reed.)

On motion of Mr. Littlefield of Rockland the rules were suspended and that gentleman introduced bill, an act relating to the location and assessment of damages for property taken for public uses, and on further motion by Mr. Littlefield the bill was tabled for printing pending its reference to a committee.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Higgins of Lime-rick,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that

the superintendent of public buildings is hereby given charge of all assignments of rooms for hearings in the capitol building, and that all applications for rooms for hearings must be made to him in writing forty-eight hours previous to being used for that purpose.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Powers from the committee on the judiciary reported ought not to pass on bill, an act to vote by proxy.

Mr. Hale from same committee reported ought not to pass on bill an act to authorize the taking of land and rights therein for water supplies.

Mr. Putnam from the committee on interior waters reported ought not to pass on bill, an act to authorize Stillman L. Wentworth and Harry N. Teague to construct and maintain a wharf in the waters of Long Lake in the town of Naples, county of Cumberland.

Mr. Merrill from the committee on the judiciary reported in a new draft bill, an act to amend section 24 of chapter 144 of the Revised Statutes relating to insane persons, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Littlefield from same committee reported ought to pass on bill, an act to amend section 6 of chapter 65 of the Revised Statutes relating to probate courts.

Mr. Oakes from the committee on legal affairs reported ought to pass on bill, an act to increase the salary of the judge of the municipal court for the city of Lewiston.

Mr. Johnson from the committee on appropriations and financial affairs reported in a new draft resolve in favor of the Maine State Sanatorium Association and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Swett from same committee reported ought to pass on bill, an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government for the year 1905.

Mr. Knapp from the committee on banks and banking reported in a new draft bill, an act to amend the charter of the Security Trust Company of Rockland, Maine, with a branch to be established at Vinalhaven, Maine, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Sargent from the committee on interior waters, on bill, an act to incorporate the Hastings Brook Improvement Company, reported that the same be printed and recommitted.

Mr. Lanigan from same committee reported ought to pass on bill, an act to authorize the town of Winthrop to erect and maintain a wharf in Lake Maranacook in the county of Kennebec.

Mr. Thompson from same committee reported in a new draft bill, an act authorizing the Orono Water Company to take water from Chemo Lake and Chemo Stream in the town of Bradley, and that it ought to pass.

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

First Reading of Printed Bills and Resolves.

An act to amend section 113 of chapter 15 of the Revised Statutes relating to the number of trustees of State normal schools.

An act to incorporate the Island Falls Water Company.

Passed to be Engrossed.

An act to provide for sewerage in the town of Caribou.

An act repealing chapter 443 of the public laws of 1901 relating to the annual town meeting of Boothbay Harbor.

An act relative to the Winter Harbor Gas and Light Company.

An act relating to fishing in the tributaries of Webb's river above Goodwin Brothers' mill dam in Carthage, county of Franklin.

An act to incorporate the State Trust Company.

An act to incorporate the Stockton Springs Trust Company.

An act to incorporate the Houlton Trust Company.

Resolve appropriating money for the support of traveling libraries.

Resolve in favor of the Children's Aid Society of Belfast.

Passed to be Enacted.

An act to authorize the Augusta Water District to take water from Carleton pond.

Orders of the Day.

Mr. THOMAS of Topsham: Mr.

Speaker: House document 28, Resolve in favor of the trustees of the University of Maine, has been printed in a new draft. There was a statement of facts accompanying the original draft. In the printing of the new draft the statement of facts did not accompany it. I wish to move that the committee on education have leave to present a statement of facts, and that the same be printed to accompany the resolve.

The motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Higgins of Limerick,

Adjourned.