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LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

Seventy-Second Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1905.

HOUSE.

Friday, February 3, 1905.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Hayden of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday and read and approved.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

Senate Bills on First Reading.

Resolve for the purpose of operating fish hatcheries and feeding stations for fish and for the protection of fish.

Resolve in favor of the president and trustees of Bowdoin College.

An act to amend chapter 407 of the private and special laws of 1903 relating to fishing in Long pond, Hancock county.

This comes from the Senate amended by Senate amendment A, by adding thereto, "This act shall take effect when approved." In the House the amendment was adopted, and the bill was then read a second time as amended and assigned for tomorrow morning.

An act to repeal section 15 of chapter 33 of the Revised Statutes relating to bounties on porcupines.

In the House the report of the committee reporting ought to pass had been accepted and the bill passed to be engrossed, and it now comes from the Senate that branch non-concurring with the House in passing the bill to be engrossed, and recommitting the bill to the committee on legal affairs.

Mr. POWERS of Houlton: Mr. Speaker, I move that the House insist upon its former action in this matter. This was a matter which was fully heard before one of our strongest committees, after a proper notice for hearing was given and the committee unanimously reported that the bill ought to pass, and this House has agreed with the committee. I see by the papers that it is sent back to us under the terms of senatorial courtesy, which some people have been so uncharitable as to call child's play. I move that we insist on our former action.

Mr. BUZZELL of Oldtown: I second the motion.

The question being put, shall the House insist, the motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Powers, Messrs. Powers of Houlton, Holmes of Caribou and Newcomb of Eastport, were appointed a committee of conference on the part of the House.

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

Judiciary.

By Mr. Kimball of Rockland: Bill, an act to provide for transfer of certain records to Knox county registry of deeds.

Legal Affairs.

By Mr. Allan of Dennysville: Petition of Robert Archer and 18 others of Crawford opposed to a repeal of the law granting a bounty on porcupines.

By Mr. Oakes of Auburn: Bill, an act additional to and amendatory of chapter 137 of the private laws of 1903 entitled, "An act to amend the charter of the city of Auburn and to provide for a board of public works."

Also, bill, an act to amend chapter 173 of the private and special laws of 1833, entitled, "An act to amend the charter of the city of Auburn."

By Mr. Weatherbee of Lincoln: Bill, an act to amend section 25 of chapter 114 of the Revised Statutes relating to the relief of poor debtors.

By Mr. Tracey of Winter Harbor: Bill, an act to amend section 12 of chapter 140 of the Revised Statutes relating to coroner's inquests.

By Mr. Oakes of Auburn: Bill, an act additional to section 10 of chapter 107 of the Revised Statutes relating to easements.

By Mr. O'Brien of Lewiston: Bill, an act to amend section 22 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes of 1903 relative to the arrangement of voting shelves in the ward room.

Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

By Mr. Nash of Damariscotta: Petition of R. C. Chapman and 34 others of Newcastle for an appropriation in aid of the Maine State Sanatorium Association.

Railroads and Expresses.

By Mr. Buzzell of Old Town: Bill, an act to authorize the European and North American Railway and the Maine Central Railroad Company, its

lessee, to change the location of its railroad bridge across the Kenduskeag stream in Bangor.

Banks and Banking.

By Mr. Therriault of Grand Isle: Bill, an act to continue in force the charter of the Van Buren Trust Company.

Interior Waters.

By Mr. Laliberte of Fort Kent: Petition of W. H. Cunliffe and 5 others in favor of a toll bridge across the St. John river, etc.

Also petition of A. G. Fenlason and 13 others for same.

Also bill, an act to authorize Joseph Long to build and maintain a toll bridge for foot passengers across St. John river, at or near Fort Kent, and to build and maintain piers and abutments for supporting said bridge.

By Mr. Therriault of Grand Isle: Bill, an act to amend section one of chapter 274 of the private and special laws of 1901.

Inland Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Walker of Lovell: Petition of E. T. Stearns and 48 others of Lovell, with accompanying bill, asking for a law to prevent the throwing of mill waste into the tributaries of Upper Kezar pond, Lovell.

Also petition of J. F. Stearns and 51 others, with accompanying bill, asking for change in the law governing fishing on Great and Cold brooks in Lovell and Stoneham.

By Mr. Gannett of Augusta: Bill, an act to prohibit the hunting of ducks and other water fowl in Merrymeeting Bay, Eastern river and Kennebec river below Gardiner and Randolph bridge by use of steam, naphtha or gasoline boats.

Shore Fisheries.

By Mr. Tracy of Winter Harbor: Petition of Jordan M. Joy and 38 others for close time on catching lobsters in Frenchmans bay between the 15th day of July and the 15th day of September.

Also petition of Frank G. Norris and six others for same.

Also petition of Maurice Pendleton and seven others for same.

By Mr. Allan of Dennysville: Peti-

tion of H. H. Kilby and 17 others in favor of free seining east of Penobscot river.

By Mr. Peacock of Lubec: Petition of George B. Eaton and 26 others for same.

Also petition of John A. Tucker and 56 others for same.

Also petition of J. C. Pike and 67 others for same.

Agriculture.

By Mr. Byron of Phillips: Petition of C. C. Dow and 54 others of Phillips asking for a bounty on bears in Franklin county.

Temperance.

By Mr. Littlefield of Rockland: Remonstrance of Rev. A. E. Morris and 51 others of Thomaston against resubmission.

By Mr. Norcross of Winthrop: Remonstrance of E. T. Butman and 252 others of Waterville against same.

By Mr. Josselyn of Portland: Remonstrance of Alfred Woodman and 54 others of Portland against same.

Also remonstrance of W. H. Fultz and 57 others of Portland against same.

Labor.

By Mr. Weatherbee of Lincoln: Bill, an act to abolish the office of inspector of factories, workshops, mines and quarries.

Taxation.

By Mr. Allan of Dennysville: Petition of H. E. Dodge and 12 others in favor of Merrill bill for the taxation of railroads.

County Delegations of Sagadahoc, Lincoln and Cumberland.

By Mr. Sewall of Bath: Petition of C. H. Potter, E. W. Hyde and 64 others, citizens of Bath, for the better protection of rabbits in the counties of Sagadahoc, Lincoln and Cumberland.

On motion of Mr. Purinton of Bowdoin the rules were suspended and that gentleman introduced bill, an act to amend sections 100 and 102 of chapter 33 of the Revised Statutes relating to State roads, which was referred to the committee on State lands and State roads.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Sewall of Bath, Ordered, the Senate concurring, that when the House and Senate adjourn they adjourn to meet at 10.30 o'clock Tuesday next.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Higgins from the committee on the judiciary reported in a new draft bill, an act to authorize the construction of a highway and bridge across York river and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Powers from the same committee reported ought to pass on 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."

Mr. Baxter from the committee on legal affairs reported ought not to pass on bill, an act providing for the more efficient control of smallpox and other epidemic diseases.

Mr. Kinsman from the committee on mines and mining, on petition of Alvin H. Fogg in relation to deposits of gold in South Thomaston and Rockland and praying that a certain sum of money be appropriated by the Legislature to be expended in prospecting on certain lands for the purpose of ascertaining whether there is gold and silver on certain lands, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Mr. Turner from same committee reported ought not to pass on resolve to provide for a geological survey of the State for a possible supply of coal.

Mr. Hall from the committee on railroads and expresses, on 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, reported that the bill be reprinted pending recommitment.

First Reading of Printed Bills and Resolves.

An act to amend section 24 of chapter 144 of the Revised Statutes relating to insane persons.

An act to amend section 6 of chapter 65 of the Revised Statutes relating to probate courts.

An act to increase the salary of the judge of the municipal court for the city of Lewiston.

An act to authorize the town of Winthrop to erect and maintain a wharf in lake Maranacook in the county of Kennebec.

An act to amend the charter of the Security Trust Company.

An act authorizing the Orono Water Company to take water from Chemo Lake and Chemo stream in the town of Bradley.

An act to authorize the Houlton Water Company to generate, sell and distribute electricity.

An act to authorize the Great Northern Paper Company to hold stock of the West Branch Driving and Reservoir Dam Company.

Resolve in favor of the Maine State Sanatorium Association.

The following remonstrances were received under a suspension of the rules and referred to the judiciary committee.

By Mr. Cushman of Woodstock: Remonstrance of W. P. Saunders and 12 others of Waterford against change of law relating to trustee process.

By Mr. Stearns of Millinocket: Remonstrance of G. S. Baker and 21 others of Millinocket against same.

By Mr. Sawyer of Milbridge: Remonstrance of H. H. Brazzell and 14 others of Milbridge against same.

By Mr. Shaw of Clinton: Remonstrance of A. K. Mason and 5 others of Winslow; of H. M. Bean and 19 others of Clinton; against same.

By Mr. Jones of Searsmont: Remonstrance of V. A. Simmons and 15 others of Searsmont against same.

By Mr. Euzzell of Oldtown: Remonstrance of A. Winslow & Co. of Oakland and 36 others against same.

By Mr. Newcomb of Eastport: Remonstrance of Pike & Kilby and 90 others of Eastport against same.

By Mr. Buzzell of Oldtown: Remonstrance of W. E. Hellenbrand and 32 others of Oldtown against same.

By Mr. Kinsman of Cornville: Remonstrance of A. P. Bigelow and 10 others of St. Albans against same.

By Mr. Powers of Houlton: Remonstrance of John Watson Company and 22 others of Houlton against same.

By Mr. Abbott of North Berwick: Remonstrance of John B. Russell and

16 others of North Berwick against same.

By Mr. Norcross of Winthrop: Remonstrance of J. M. Towle and 21 others of Winthrop against same.

By Mr. Purinton of Bowdoin: Remonstrance of D. T. Emerson and 49 others of Richmond against same.

By Mr. Sanborn of Vienna: Remonstrance of Herbert F. Jones and 5 others of Fayette against same.

By Mr. Pendleton of Islesboro: Remonstrance of J. A. Pierce and 9 others of Stockton Springs against same.

By Mr. Tupper of Bangor: Remonstrance of H. F. Clough and 32 others of Bangor against same.

By Mr. Sawyer of Smithfield: Remonstrance of Harvey L. Sawyer and 8 others of Smithfield; of F. J. Robinson and 37 others of Fairfield; against same.

By Mr. Merrill of Dixfield: Remonstrance of F. A. Perkins and 40 others of Mexico against same.

By Mr. Kinsman of Cornville: Remonstrance of Ivory Lowe and 30 others of Canaan; of F. P. Ring and 18 others of Cambridge; against same.

By Mr. Smart of Sebois: Remonstrance of Ferdinand Shorey and 3 others of Enfield against same.

By Mr. Gray of Paris: Remonstrance of J. A. Rawson and 12 others of Buckfield against same.

By Mr. Blanchard of Blanchard: Remonstrance of D. T. Sanders & Son and 8 others of Greenville; of S. S. Cole and 15 others of Monson; against same.

By Mr. Hussey of Vassalboro: Remonstrance of Moore & Toby and 15 others of Randolph against same.

By Mr. Treworgy of Surry: Remonstrance of Walter Butler, president of Bluehill fish and game association, and 22 others of Bluehill against passage of bill entitled "An act to drain Second Pond so called and raise or lower the waters in Third Pond so called in the county of Hancock." Referred to the committee on interior waters.)

Passed to be Engrossed.

An act to provide in part for the expenditures of government for the year 1905.

An act to amend section 26 of chap-

ter 69 of the Revised Statutes relating to disability of adults under guardianship.

An act in relation to the assessment of taxes on the estates of deceased persons before the appointment of executors or administrators of such estates.

An act to amend chapter 154 of the private and special laws of 1895, as amended by chapter 230 of the private and special laws of 1901, relating to charter of the Wiscasset Water Company.

An act to amend section 4 of chapter 118 of the Revised Statutes relating to punishment of persons who enter upon lands claiming authority from a foreign government or magistrate. (Tabled pending its passage to be engrossed on motion of Mr. Oakes of Auburn.)

An act to amend section 39 of chapter 93 of the Revised Statutes relating to the filing of certificates of liens on real estate.

An act to amend paragraph 4 of section 1 of chapter 73 of the Revised Statutes relating to sale of real estate by license of court.

Resolve in favor of the Maine State library.

Passed to be Enacted.

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

An act to authorize the Camden and Rockland Water Company to issue bonds for the purpose of retiring certain of its outstanding bonds.

An act to legalize the doings of the town of Sanford in the county of York and the board of selectmen thereof in the construction of a sewer system and the making temporary loans to pay therefor.

An act to validate and legalize the organization of Muscle Ridge plantation.

An act to amend section 115 of chapter 4 of the Revised Statutes relating to the organization of plantations.

An act to ratify mortgage of Fort Fairfield Electric Company and the issue of bonds secured thereby.

Orders of the Day.

On motion of Mr. Thompson of Orono, House document 43 was taken from the table, and on further motion

by the same gentleman it was referred to the committee on the judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Stevens of Portland, House document 35 was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same gentleman, Senate amendment A was adopted, and the bill was referred to the committee on the judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Downs of Berwick, Adjourned.