

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

**Seventy-Second Legislature**

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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1905.

## HOUSE.

Monday, March 20th 1905.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Canham, of Hall-  
owell.

Journal of previous session read and  
approved.

Papers from the Senate disposed of  
in concurrence.

### Senate Bills on First Reading.

An Act to reimburse the town of  
Chelsea.

(The following were passed to be en-  
grossed under suspension of the rules.)

An Act additional to chapter 27 of  
the Revised Statutes, relating to alien  
paupers.

An Act to organize the plantation of  
Sandy River.

Resolve in favor of the Clerk to the  
committee on ways and bridges.

Resolve in favor of the Clerk and  
Stenographer to the committee on ap-  
propriations and financial affairs.

Resolve in favor of Edward K. Mil-  
liken.

Resolve in favor of J. Perley Dudley.

Resolve in favor of Thomas Ander-  
son for services as postmaster of the  
Senate at the organization of the 72d  
Legislature.

An Act to repeal chapter 317 of the  
Private and Special Laws of Maine  
for the year 1903. (Tabled until to-  
morrow morning on motion of Mr.  
Foss of Scarborough.)

The Speaker announced that bill, re-  
lating to the compensation of certain  
State officials, came from the Senate  
with the following members joined on  
the part of that branch to the com-  
mittee of conference: Messrs. Stetson,  
Clark and Pierce.

An Act to repeal Acts incorporating  
Skowhegan Village Corporation, came  
from the Senate with Senate amend-  
ment A adopted.

The House reconsidered the vote  
whereby this bill was passed to be en-  
grossed, Senate amendment A was  
adopted and the bill was then passed  
to be engrossed as amended in concu-  
rrence.

An Act relating to the manufacture  
and sale of intoxicating liquors, and  
particularly the manufacture and sale

of cider, came from the Senate indefi-  
nitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Stevens of Port-  
land, the House voted to insist and  
ask for a committee of conference.

The Chair appointed on the part of  
the House Messrs. Stevens of Portland,  
Buzzell of Old Town, and Morey of  
Lewiston.

An Act relating to political caucuses  
having been passed to be engrossed in  
the House, came from the Senate in-  
definitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Shaw of Clinton,  
the House voted to insist and ask for  
a committee of conference.

The Chair appointed on the part of  
the House Messrs. Shaw of Clinton,  
Abbott of North Berwick, and Oakes  
of Auburn.

### Reports of Committees.

Mr. Nash from the committee on fed-  
eral relations, to which was referred  
a communication from the governor  
of Virginia, accompanying a joint re-  
solution of the General Assembly of  
Virginia, relative to appropriation for  
the representation of the State of  
Maine at the Jamestown Exposition,  
reported that the same be withdrawn  
as House bill No. 127 in new draft cov-  
ers said communication. (Report ac-  
cepted.)

Mr. Shaw from the committee on  
ways and means, which was instruct-  
ed by order of the Legislature to as-  
certain and report to the House the  
rate necessary for the assessment of a  
State tax for the years 1905 and 1906,  
reported the following order:

Ordered, That the State Assessors be  
directed to assess a State tax for the  
years 1905 and 1906 on the valuation as  
established by the State assessors for  
said years at the rate of two and one-  
half mills on the dollar of said valua-  
tion for said years. (Report accepted.)

### First Reading of Printed Bills.

(The following were passed to be en-  
grossed under suspension of the rules.)

An Act for the protection of clams in  
parts of the county of Sagadahoc.

An Act to amend Section 38 of Chap-  
ter 41 of the Revised Statutes of Maine,  
relative to enforcement of penalty for  
illegal seining.

An Act to prohibit the throwing of

sawdust and other mill waste into Break-Neck brook and tributaries, in Cumberland county.

Resolve in favor of the clerk and stenographer to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Resolve laying a tax on counties of the State for the years 1905 and 1906.

**Passed to be Enacted.**

An Act to incorporate the Dexter Trust Company.

An Act to incorporate the city of Brunswick.

An Act to incorporate the Central Safe Deposit Company.

An Act relating to the compensation of judges of probate.

An Act to incorporate the Danforth Water Company.

An Act to regulate the use of the roads in the town of Castine.

An Act to authorize Wadsworth and Woodman to take water from Lake Maranacook.

An Act to incorporate the Milbrodge and Cherryfield Street Railway.

An Act to prevent sales of merchandise in bulk in fraud of creditors.

An Act to extend the close time on deer on Swan's Island, Hancock county.

An Act to incorporate the Saco River Electric Power Company.

An Act regulating the taking of clams in the town of North Haven.

An Act relating to pensioning members of the police department of the city of Bangor.

An Act granting Ithiel C. Blackman the right to maintain a ferry.

An Act relating to a winter speedway on the Kennebec river, at Gardiner.

An Act additional to Chapter 13 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Penobscot tribe of Indians.

An Act to provide for the appointment of a probation officer for the county of Cumberland.

An Act in relation to the South Paris Village Corporation, and to establish a system of municipal lighting.

An Act to amend paragraph 7 of Section 4 of Chapter 49 of the Revised Statutes of Maine, relating to fire insurance policies.

An Act to prohibit fishing in Break-neck brook and its tributaries, situated

partly in the towns of Sebago and Baldwin, county of Cumberland.

An Act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 20 of the Revised Statutes, relating to burying grounds.

An Act authorizing the town treasurer of Kittery to expend money left for private lots in cemeteries not incorporated.

An Act to amend Section 51 of Chapter 125 of the Revised Statutes, relating to cruelty to animals.

An Act Section 31 of Chapter 33 of the Revised Statutes, relating to liens on buildings and lots, wharves and piers.

An Act to amend Section 4 of Chapter 141 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the State prison.

An Act authorizing Frank G. Spurling and others to build a wharf into tide waters in the town of Cranberry Isle.

An Act relating to the York Light and Heat Company.

An Act to regulate fishing in the Rangeley chain of lakes, so called, in the counties of Franklin and Oxford.

An Act to prevent the unlawful diversion of electricity.

An Act to extend and amend the charter of the Patten Trust Company.

An Act to amend Chapter 126 of the Revised Statutes, relating to gambling.

An Act to amend Chapter 153 of the Private and Special Laws of 1879 in regard to building dams and embankments on Swift river in the town of Byron.

An Act to amend the Revised Statutes, Chapter 125, Section 53, relating to cruelty to animals.

An Act to authorize the town of Cornish to remove the bodies of deceased person.

An Act concerning Merial Memorial Library, a free public library in the town of Monmouth.

An Act to amend Section 4 of Chapter 128 of the Revised Statutes, relating to injury to property used for public water supplies.

An Act to restore the jurisdiction of trial justices in the town of Fayette in the county of Kennebec.

An Act to change the title of the Wilton Electric Light and Power Company.

An Act to amend Section 70 of Chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the ringing of bells and sounding of whistles on steam railroads.

An Act to amend Section 26 of Chapter

135 of the Revised Statutes, relating to sentences.

An Act to amend the charter of the Augusta Water District.

An Act to enable Edwin W. Doyle to maintain the upper dam on Flanders stream, in the town of Sullivan, Hancock county.

An Act to amend the charter of the Auburn and Turner Railroad Company.

An Act to extend the charter of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

An Act to amend Section 88 of Chapter 84 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the challenging of jurors.

An Act to incorporate the Saco River Electric Power Company.

An Act to amend Section 30 of Chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes, relating to railroad branch tracks.

An Act to incorporate the Kittery Village Corporation.

An Act to authorize the town of Mechanic Falls to acquire certain property and rights of the Mechanic Falls Manufacturing Company.

An Act to amend Chapter 135 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to Bath municipal court.

An Act to amend Chapter 184 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Castine Water Company."

An Act to prohibit the throwing of sawdust, shavings, waste or refuse into Little Ossipee river, within the limits of the towns of Shepleigh, Newfield, Waterboro, Limerick and Limington, in York county.

An Act to amend Section 4 of Chapter 455 of the Private and Special Laws of 1901, entitled "An Act to incorporate the York Village Corporation."

An Act to amend Section 12 of Chapter 4 of the Revised Statutes of 1903, as amended by Chapter 335 of the Public Laws of 1903, relating to the election of selectmen, overseers of the poor and assessors.

An Act to prohibit the throwing of sawdust and other mill waste into Fish river down as far as the dam of the Fort Kent Lumber Company, also in the tributaries of said river.

An Act to amend Chapter 257 of the Private and Special Laws of 1903, relating to the protection of deer on the island of Mt. Desert.

An Act to amend Section 1 of Chap-

ter 195 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, entitled "An Act creating the Fort Fairfield Village Corporation."

An Act to regulate fishing in Sokokis lake, so called, in the town of Limerick, also its tributaries, and in Long and West ponds in Parsonsfield, in the county of York.

An Act to amend Section 23, Chapter 48, Revised Statutes, relating to investment of deposits in savings banks.

An Act to provide for the better collection of collateral inheritance taxes.

An Act to establish the Caribou municipal court.

An Act to incorporate the Buxton and Hollis Power Company.

An Act to prevent the throwing of sawdust and other mill waste in Little Madawaska river and its tributaries in Aroostook county.

An Act to close the tributaries of Big Concord pond, in the town of Woodstock, Oxford county.

An Act to amend Sections 100, 101 and 102 of Chapter 23 of the Revised Statutes, relating to State roads.

An Act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes of 1903, relating to sea and shore fisheries.

An Act to assist in building a free bridge across Sheepscot river between the towns of Wiscasset and Edgecomb.

An Act to prohibit throwing sawdust, shavings, waste or refuse into Heath brook or its tributaries, in the town of Acton, York county.

An Act in relation to insane persons in the State Prison and in the county jails, and additional to Chapter 138 of the Revised Statutes.

An Act to amend Section 95 of Chapter 49 of the Revised Statutes, relating to notice of injury to Casualty Insurance Companies.

An Act to amend Chapter 130 of the Private Laws of 1866 entitled "An Act to incorporate the Sebec Dam Co.," as amended by Section 6 of Chapter 26 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, and further amended by Chapter 141 of the Private and Special Laws of 1903.

An Act to incorporate the Trinitarian Congregational Parish of Castine, and to legalize the doings of the parish heretofore known under the name of the Trinitarian Society of Castine, Maine.

An Act to amend Section 24, Chapter 48,

Revised Statutes, relating to real estate investments in savings banks.

An Act to amend Section 16 of Chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the law of the road.

An Act to provide for the employment of male prisoners upon public ways or in preparing materials for the construction or repair thereof.

An Act to amend Section 16 of Chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the recording of plans in registries of deeds in the several counties.

An Act to amend Chapter 123 of the Private and Special Laws of 1903, in relation to establishing a normal school at Presque Isle, in the county of Aroostook.

An Act to amend paragraph 20 of Section 1 of Chapter 116 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the salary of the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries.

An Act relating to the compensation of county attorneys.

An Act relating to the compensation of clerks of courts.

An Act relating to the compensation of county commissioners.

An Act relating to the compensation of county treasurers.

An Act for the protection of children.

#### Finally Passed.

Resolve in favor of I. S. Cote.

Resolve in favor of the town of New Gloucester.

Resolve in favor of the town of Mariaville.

Resolve in favor of the Central Maine Fair Association.

Resolve in relation to York deeds and Maine wills.

Resolve in favor of Williams H. Reid, State binder.

Resolve in favor of State Normal schools.

Resolve authorizing the compilation and publication of the insurance laws of Maine.

Resolve in favor of Ida Yeaton, widow of John Yeaton, late of the Third Maine Battery.

Resolve to provide for the completion of the residence of the principal of the Western State Normal school at Gorham.

Resolve in favor of the city of Portland for reimbursement for amount spent for soldiers' families during the war with Spain.

On motion of Mr. Garcelon of Lewiston, the vote was reconsidered whereby resolve in favor of the Central Maine Fair Association, was passed to be engrossed.

Mr. Garcelon then offered an amendment, by inserting the following words after the word "annually" in the second line thereof, "for the years 1905 and 1906;" also by inserting the following words after the word "annually" in the fifteenth line "for the years 1905 and 1906."

Pending the adoption of this amendment the resolve was tabled on motion of Mr. Oakes of Auburn.

#### Orders of the Day.

On motion of Mr. Higgins of Limerick, the vote was reconsidered whereby the

House accepted the report of the committee on ways and means, relating to order levying the State tax, and on further motion by Mr. Higgins, pending the acceptance of the same it was laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. Baxter of Portland, the rules were suspended and that gentleman introduced An Act authorizing the city of Portland to pay an annuity to Charles D. Skillings, and on further motion by Mr. Baxter, the bill received its three readings and was passed to be engrossed without reference to a committee.

On motion of Mr. Kimball of Rockland, the rules were suspended and that gentleman introduced a bill (title not read), Mr. Kimball stating that it was an amendment to an existing public law, and on further motion by Mr. Kimball it was referred to the committee on judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Stevens of Portland, the rules were suspended and that gentleman introduced a resolve in favor of the State House employes, and on further motion by Mr. Stevens it was referred to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs.

On motion of Mr. Balleau of Lewiston, bill, to amend Revised Statutes relating to caucuses in cities, was taken from the table.

Mr. Hale of Portland, offered the following amendment: Amend by striking out the words "section 116" and the words "twenty-five" in the title of said bill, and by inserting the following words, "sections 116 and 117" and the words "thirty-five" in their places, so that the title of said bill as amended shall read as follows—"An Act to amend Sections 116 and 117 of Chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to caucuses in cities and towns of over thirty-five thousand inhabitants;" and by striking out everything after the enactment clause and insert instead thereof the following: Section 1. Section 116 of Chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by inserting the words "The city committees may in their discretion determine in their call for a caucus or convention the persons who are entitled to participate in said caucus or convention," before the word "whenever" in the first line of said section.

Section 2. Section 117 of Chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by striking out the words "twenty-five" and inserting instead thereof the words "thirty-five," so that said section as amended shall read, "The provisions of the four preceding sections shall be applicable only to cities of more than thirty-five thousand inhabitants."

Section 3. This Act shall take effect when approved."

The amendment was adopted and the bill was then passed to be engrossed as amended.

On motion of Mr. Milliken of Island Falls, the majority and minority reports of the committee on temperance on bill relating to labelling of proprietary medicines, was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same gentleman they were assigned for Wednesday immediately after the morning hour.

On motion of Mr. Gray of Paris, the rules were suspended and that gentleman introduced bill, An Act to amend a special act enacted and approved March 8th, 1905, amending the charter of the Geo. A. Young Co., organized May 3d, 1899, and on further motion by Mr. Gray the rules were suspended, the bill received its three readings and was passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Hale of Portland, bill, to amend Revised Statutes relating to law libraries for counties, was taken from the table.

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

On motion of Mr. Ingersoll of Biddeford, Adjourned.