

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

Seventy-Second Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1905.

SENATE.

Wednesday, Jan. 11, 1905.

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Dunnack of Augusta.

Journal of the last session read and approved.

The Secretary of the Senate read the list of joint standing committees. (For the joint committees see House report.)

The Senate Standing Committees are as follows:

Bills in the Second Reading.

Messrs. Potter of Cumberland,
Plummer of Androscoggin,
Pierce of Aroostook,
Furbish of Franklin,
Clark of Hancock,
Brown of Kennebec,
Bartlett of Oxford,
Gardner of Penobscot,
Shackford of Washington,
Tartre of York,
Philoon of Androscoggin,
Tupper of Lincoln.

Engrossed Bills.

Messrs. Morse of Waldo,
Pike of Washington,
Allen of York,
Shaw of Sagadahoc,
Putnam of Aroostook,
Sturgis of Cumberland,
Mills of Hancock,
Bailey of Somerset,
Knowlton of Penobscot,
Owen of Piscataquis,
Staples of Knox,
Curtis of Cumberland.
Papers from the House passed in concurrence.

The following communication was received from the Secretary of State:

STATE OF MAINE.

Office of Secretary of State,
Augusta, January 11, 1905.

To the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House:

I have the honor to herewith transmit a communication from the Governor of Virginia, accompanying a joint resolution of the General Assembly of —

Virginia passed February 17, 1904.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed) **BYRON BOYD,**
Secretary of State.

Commonwealth of Virginia.
Governor's Office, Richmond.

Sir: I enclose a copy of a joint resolution of the General Assembly of Virginia, passed February 17, 1904, and beg to request that you will transmit the same to the Legislature of your State.

I venture to suggest that the commemoration in question is of extraordinary significance, as the landing at Jamestown was the first permanent settlement of the English-speaking people on this continent by nearly fourteen years; indeed, as a result of this settlement Virginia was an organized colony with an elective legislative assembly nearly two years prior to the landing of the heroic Pilgrims at Plymouth Rock. Therefore this settlement is the genesis of our national government and the original source of forces which have entered mightily into the fabric and growth of our Republic.

It is to be hoped that the magnitude of the historic commemoration may have the generous consideration of your people in appropriately bringing before the world so transcendent an event.

I have the honor to be, sir,
Your obedient servant,

(Signed) **A. J. MONTAGUE.**

On motion by Mr. Ayer of Kennebec the same was referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

The following communications were also read by the President::

Office of Secretary of State,
Augusta, January 11, 1905.

To the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House:

I have the honor to herewith transmit the 13th report of the State Board of Health.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,
(Signed) **BYRON BOYD,**
Secretary of State.

On motion by Mr. Allen of York, the same was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Office of the Secretary of State
Augusta, January 11, 1905.

To the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House:

I have the honor to herewith transmit the 46th annual report of the Railroad Commissioners.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed) BYRON BOYD,

Secretary of State.

On motion by Mr. Randall of Cumberland, the same was referred to the committee on Railroads and Expresses.

Office of the Secretary of State
Augusta, January 11, 1905.

To the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House:

I have the honor to herewith transmit the 31st annual report of the State Librarian.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed) BYRON BOYD,

Secretary of State.

On motion by Mr. Potter of Cumberland, the same was referred to the Committee on Library.

The following bills, petitions and resolves were presented and referred:

Judiciary.

By Mr. Allen of York: Bill, an act in relation to the assessment of taxes of deceased persons, before the appointment of executors or administrators in the estate of such persons.

By Mr. Putnam of Aroostook: An act to amend chapter 227 of the Private and Special Laws of 1880, entitled, "An act to supply the people of Houlton with pure water," as amended by chapter 497 of the private and special laws of 1889 and as amended by chapter 148 of the private and special laws of 1903.

Legal Affairs.

By Mr. Morse of Waldo: An act to authorize the Bangor Investment Co. and the Northern Maine Seaport R. R. Co. to build wharves and piers in and near Cape Jellison Harbor.

Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

By Mr. Randall of Cumberland: Resolve in favor of Maine General Hos-

pital, with statement of facts.

By Mr. Stetson of Penobscot: Resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine General Hospital, with statement of facts.

By Mr. Bailey of Somerset: Petition from members of Pittsfield Tuesday Club for Home for Feeble Minded.

Also, petition of G. M. Lancey of Hartland and 15 others for same.

By Mr. Philoon of Androscoggin: Petition of Art and Literature Club, Auburn, for same.

Also, petition of Woman's Literary Union of Androscoggin Co. for same.

Also, petition of Shakespeare Club and Auburn Art Club, for same.

By Mr. Plummer of Androscoggin: Petition of Jennie E. Harrington and others for same.

Also petition of Our Neighborhood Club of 22, Auburn, for same.

By Mr. Staples of Knox: Petition of Rockland Federation of Clubs, for same.

By Mr. Tartre of York: Petition of Henry Chamberlain and 40 others for same.

Railroads and Expresses.

By Mr. Randall of Cumberland: Bill, an act to amend section 15 of chapter 53 of the Revised Statutes relating to street railroads.

By Mr. Irving of Aroostook: An act to authorize the lease and sale of the Northern Maine Seaport Railroad to the Bangor & Aroostook R. R. Co. Also, an act to authorize the Northern Maine Seaport R. R. Co. to locate its road across tide water.

Also, an act to authorize the Bangor & Aroostook Railroad Co. to guarantee bonds of Northern Maine Seaport R. R. Co.

By Mr. Tupper of Lincoln: Bill, an act to extend the charter of the Lincoln County Street Railway.

Also, an act to extend the charter of the Maine Midland Railroad Company.

Also, an act to extend the franchises of the Wiscasset, Waterville and Farmington Railroad Company.

Banks and Banking.

By Mr. Sturgis of Cumberland: An act to incorporate the Houlton Trust Company.

Interior Waters.

By Mr. Sturgis of Cumberland: An act to enable the Sebago Lake, Songo River and Bay of Naples Steamboat Company to construct and maintain a wharf at the foot of Long Lake in the town of Naples.

State Lands and State Roads.

By Mr. Philoon of Androscoggin: Petition of Women's Clubs of Maine for preservation of fields and forests.

By Mr. Tartre of York: Petition of Isabelle M. Cotter and 14 others, members of the Women's Clubs of Maine, for enactment of such laws as will tend to improve our forests and roads.

Inland Fisheries and Game.

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

Mr. Staples of Knox presented: An act to provide for taxation of railroads according to their actual value, and on motion by that senator the same was tabled for printing, pending reference.

Also: An act to amend Sec. 57 of Chap. 84 of the Revised Statutes of Maine, and on motion by the same senator the same was tabled for printing, pending reference.

On motion by Mr. Irving of Aroostook, Senate Document No. 2, Resolve in favor of Aroostook Normal School, was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same senator, the same was referred to the committee on Education.

Orders.

On motion by Mr. Staples of Knox, the passage of the order whereby the Secretary of the Senate was instructed to furnish \$10.00 in postage to each member of the Senate, was rescinded, and on further motion by the same senator, the order was referred to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs.

Mr. ALLEN of York: Mr. President: A great amount of the time of the Legislature has been heretofore appropriated to private legislation, and I presume it will be of this session. It has been the custom to introduce an order to fix a time limit for the introduction of petitions and bills relating to

private legislation, and these orders have, heretofore, been introduced somewhat late, so that it has been possible to introduce private legislation at almost any time during the session. We are all here to attend to the wants of people interested in private matters, but we desire that they shall present their claims early, so that we may do the business before the Legislature as expeditiously as possible; and at this time I desire to introduce an order fixing a time limit with a view to giving parties interested in private legislation all the time necessary. I therefore introduce the following order, and move its passage:

Ordered, the House concurring, that the time for the reception of petitions and bills for private and special legislation be limited to Tuesday, February 14th, 1905, and that all such petitions and bills presented after that date be referred to the next Legislature, and that the Secretary of the Senate cause copies of this order to be published in all daily papers in the State until February 5th, 1905.

The order received a passage.

Bill, an act to authorize the Augusta Water District to take water from Carleton pond, came from the House, referred to the Committee on Judiciary. Referred in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Shaw of Sagadahoc, the order laid upon the table at the last session, as follows:

Ordered, the House concurring that the business of the last session of the Legislature referred to this be taken from the files and referred to the appropriate committees.

Was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same senator the order received a passage.

On motion by Mr. Bailey of Somerset, the Senate adjourned to meet on Thursday, January 12, 1905, at 10 o'clock A. M.