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Legislative Record

of the

Seventy-Third Legislature

of the

State of Maine.

1907.

HOUSE.

Thursday, Jan. 3, 1907.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Hope of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Irving of Presque Isle.

Ordered, That the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs be allowed the use of Representatives' hall for a public meeting Wednesday, Jan. 23, 1907.

The Speaker joined to the Senate committee to wait upon the Hon. William T. Cobb and inform him that he had been duly elected Governor of the State of Maine for the current political years of 1907 and 1908, Messrs. Peacock of Lubec, Hill of Monticello, Emery of Jay, Stearns of Norway, Farnham of Bath, Toleman of Portland and Thomas of Harpswell.

Mr. Peacock subsequently reported that the committee had discharged the duty assigned it, and that the Governor-elect was pleased to say that he accepted the office to which he had been elected, and would attend at such place and time as it might please the Legislature to designate for the purpose of taking the oaths required by the constitution to enable him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

A communication was received from the Senate through its secretary, proposing a joint convention of the two branches of the Legislature forthwith in the hall of the House of Representatives for the purpose of administering to the Hon. William T. Cobb, governor-elect, the oaths required by the constitution to enable him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

On motion of Mr. Mullen of Bangor, the Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate signifying the concurrence of the House in the proposition for a convention.

Thereupon the Senate came in and a convention was formed.

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Senator Sewall, Messrs. Sewall of Sagadahoc, Park-

hurst of Penobscot, Perkins of Kennebunkport, Knowlton of Monson, Dondero of Chelsea, Wood of Bluehill and Lynch of Washington, were appointed a committee to wait upon the Hon. William T. Cobb, governor-elect, and inform him that the two branches of the Legislature were in convention assembled in Representatives' hall, ready to administer to him the oaths required by the constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties, and receive from him such communication as he might be pleased to make.

Senator Sewall subsequently reported that the committee had discharged the duty assigned it and that the governor-elect was pleased to say that he was ready to take the necessary oaths of office and would forthwith attend upon the convention.

Thereupon the governor-elect came in, attended by the council and heads of departments, and took and subscribed the oaths necessary to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The Governor then communicated with the convention by address.

(For full text of message see Page Five.)

The Governor and suit then retired.

The purposes for which the convention was called having been accomplished, it was dissolved and the Senate retired.

IN THE HOUSE.

The Speaker joined on the part of the House to the Senate committee to consider the Governor's message and report a reference of its several subjects to appropriate committees, Messrs. Gordon of Wells, McKenney of Bridgton, Smith of Patten, Moore of Saco, Randall of Montville, Smith of Lisbon, and Morneau of Lewiston.

A communication was received from the Senate proposing a joint convention of the two branches of the Legislature forthwith in Representatives' hall for the purpose of electing a secretary of State, State treasurer, attorney general, commissioner of agriculture, State assessor, State binder and seven Executive Councilors.

On motion of Mr. Montgomery of Camden the House concurred in the proposition, and the clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate to that effect.

Thereupon the Senate came in and a convention was formed.

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Senator Irving. Messrs. Irving of Aroostook, Brown of Kennebec, Young of Hiram, Farrar of Bow-Brown of Bradley, Kendall of Bowdoinham and Oram of Bristol were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for a secretary of State.

Having attended to the duty assigned it, Senator Irving from the committee reported as follows:

Whole number of votes,	144
Necessary for a choice,	73
A. I. Brown had	100
Frank Plaisted had	3
Ralph P. Plaisted had	41

The report was accepted, and A. I. Brown was declared duly elected secretary of State for the current political years of 1907 and 1908.

On motion of Senator Clark, Messrs. Clark of Lincoln, Putnam of Aroostook, Baldwin of Boothbay Harbor, Stuart of Belgrade, Stubbs of Strong, Cobb of Gardiner, and Hill of Monticello, were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for State treasurer.

Having attended to the duty assigned it, Senator Clark from the committee reported as follows:

Whole number of votes,	161
Necessary for a choice,	81
Pascal P. Gilmore had	103
Thomas J. Lynch had	58

The report was accepted, and Hon. Pascal P. Gilmore was declared duly elected State treasurer for the current political years of 1907 and 1908.

On motion of Senator Deasy, Messrs. Deasy of Hancock, Garcelon of Androscoggin, Langley of Acton, Waldron of Dexter, Pike of Eastport, Skidmore of Liberty and Colcord of Searsport, were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for attorney general.

Having attended to the duty as-

signed it, Senator Deasy from the committee reported as follows:

Whole number of votes,	158
Necessary for a choice,	80
Hannibal E. Hamlin had	98
George F. Haley had	59
Thomas J. Lynch had	1

The report was accepted, and Hon. Hannibal E. Hamlin was declared duly elected attorney general for the current political years of 1907 and 1908.

On motion of Senator Staples, Messrs. Staples of Knox, Tartre of York, Blanchard of Auburn, Libby of Amity, Snow of Brunswick, Tarbox of Harrison and Merry of Woodland were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for State assessor.

Having attended to the duty assigned it, Senator Staple of the committee reported as follows:

Whole number of votes	115
Necessary for a choice	53
W. J. Thompson had	110
S. W. Shibles had	5

The report was accepted, and Hon. W. J. Thompson was declared duly elected State assessor for the current political years of 1907 and 1908.

On motion of Senator Brown, Messrs. Brown of Kennebec, Libby of Waldo, Decker of Weld, Higgins of Ellsworth, Merrill of Monmouth, Davidson of Vinal Haven and La Bree of Cambridge were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for commissioner of agriculture.

Having attended to the duty assigned it, Senator Brown from the committee reported as follows:

Whole number of votes cast	146
Necessary for a choice	74
A. W. Gilman had	95
S. W. Shibles had	51

The report was accepted, and Hon. A. W. Gilman was declared duly elected commissioner of agriculture for the current political years of 1907 and 1908.

On motion of Senator Rice Messrs. Rice of Franklin, Foss of Cumberland, Barrows of Hampden, Michaud of Frenchville, Flaherty of Portland, Hawkes of Windham and Newcomb of Newburg were appointed a committee

to receive, sort and count votes for State binder.

Having attended to the duty assigned it, Senator Rice from the committee reported as follows:

Whole number of votes	95
Necessary for a choice	48
William H. Reid had	95

The report was accepted, and Hon. William H. Reid was declared duly elected State binder for the current political years of 1907 and 1908.

On motion of Senator Eaton, Messrs. Eaton of Washington, Curtis of Cumberland, Joy of Eden, Murphy of Portland, Allen of Mt. Vernon, Pooler of Waterville and Emerson of Stow were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for seven executive Councillors.

Having attended to the duty assigned it, Senator Eaton from the committee reported as follows:

Whole number of votes	132
Necessary for a choice	67
Leroy F. Pike had	95
Thurston S. Burns had	95
W. Scott Libby had	95
Charles D. Newell had	95
Thomas G. Libby had	95
Angus O. Campbell had	95
L. A. Stevens had	35
J. H. Kelliher had	35
A. A. Miller had	35
Geo. Hughes had	37
W. J. Creamer had	35
D. L. Landers had	35
P. C. Keegan had	35

The report was accepted, and Leroy F. Pike, Thurston S. Burns, W. Scott Libby, Charles D. Newell, Thomas G. Libby, Angus O. Campbell and Charles F. Daggett, were declared duly elected executive councillors for the current political years of 1907 and 1908.

On motion of Senator Mills of Hancock the secretary of the convention was directed to inform Hon. A. I. Brown of his election as secretary of State, Hon. Pascal P. Gilmore of his election as State treasurer, Hon. Hannibal E. Hamlin of his election as attorney general, Hon. W. J. Thompson of his election as State assessor, Hon. A. W. Gilman of his election as commissioner of agriculture, Hon. William H. Reid of his election as State binder,

and the Hons. Leroy F. Pike, Thurston S. Burns, W. Scott Libby, Charles D. Newell, Thomas G. Libby, Angus O. Campbell and Charles F. Daggett of their election as executive councillors.

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

On motion of Senator Irving of Aroostook that gentleman was directed to inform the councillors-elect that the two branches of the Legislature were assembled in Representatives' hall ready to administer to them the oaths required by the constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

Senator Irving subsequently reported that he had performed the duty assigned him, and that the councillors-elect were pleased to say that they would attend upon the convention for the purpose indicated.

Thereupon the councillors-elect came in and took and subscribed the oaths necessary to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

On motion of Senator Parkhurst of Penobscot, the secretary of the convention was charged with and conveyed a message to the Governor informing him of the election of the various State officers.

The purposes for which the convention was formed having been accomplished, it was dissolved and the Senate retired.

IN HOUSE.

The Speaker announced the joint standing committees of the Legislature, as follows:

The Joint Standing Committees.

JUDICIARY.

Putnam of Aroostook,	
Deasy of Hancock,	
Hastings of Oxford.	—of the Senate.
Weeks of Fairfield,	
Smith of Patten,	
Johnson of Waterville,	
Davies of Yarmouth,	
Goodwin of Sanford,	
Waldron of Dexter,	
Montgomery of Camden.	—of the House.

LEGAL AFFAIRS.

Mills of Hancock,

Staples of Knox,
 Clarke of Lincoln. —of the Senate.
 Stearns of Norway,
 Hall of Caribou,
 Martin of Bangor,
 Dyer of Buckfield,
 Hadlock of Cranberry Isles,
 Theriault of Fort Kent,
 Dunton of Belfast. —of the House.

APPROPRIATION AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

Simpson of York,
 Page of Somerset,
 Eaton of Washington. —of the Senate
 Merriman of Livermore,
 Seates of Westbrook,
 Joy of Eden,
 Walker of Biddeford,
 Stubbs of Strong,
 Newcomb of Newburg,
 Jordan of Portland. —of the House.

FEDERAL RELATIONS.

Ayer of Kennebec,
 Proctor of Cumberland,
 Wyman of Washington. —of the Senate.
 Brackett of Sebago,
 Edwards of Lewiston,
 Pinkham of Lincoln,
 Clark of Hollis,
 Weld of Oldtown.
 Pike of Eastport,
 Sullivan of Falmouth. —of the House.

EDUCATION.

Stearns of Penobscot,
 Rice of Franklin,
 Philoon of Androscoggin. —of the Senate.

Milliken of Island Falls,
 Gleason of Mexico,
 Knowlton of Monson,
 Lord of Parsonsfield,
 Hawkes of Windham,
 Kendall of Bowdoinham,
 Murphy of Portland. —of the House.

RAILROADS AND EXPRESSES.

Irving of Aroostook,
 Tartre of York,
 Merrill of Cumberland. —of the Senate.
 Johnson of Calais,
 Hall of Dover,
 Young of Hiram,
 Mullen of Bangor,
 Spear of South Portland,
 Emery of Jay,
 Moore of Saco. —of the House.

TELEGRAPHS AND TELEPHONES.

Putnam of Aroostook,
 Rice of Franklin,
 Foss of Cumberland. —of the Senate.
 Martin of Rumford,
 Reynolds of Winslow,
 Chase of Waterboro,
 Davidson of Vinalhaven,
 Newton of Webster,
 Minahane of South Berwick,
 Allen of Columbia Falls. —of the House.

COMMERCE.

Curtis of Cumberland,
 Reardon of Kennebec,
 Parkhurst of Penobscot. —of the Senate.

Herrick of Brooklin,
 Brown of Auburn,
 Charles of Mechanic Falls,
 Duncan of Rockland,
 Gallagher of Waldoboro,
 Tolman of Glenburn,
 Higgins of Ellsworth. —of the House.

MERCANTILE AFFAIRS AND INSURANCE.

Hastings of Oxford,
 Stearns of Penobscot,
 Merrill of Cumberland. —of the Senate.
 Danforth of Skowhegan,
 Perry of Fort Fairfield,
 Oram of Bristol,
 Crosby of Albion,
 Stuart of Belgrade,
 McClutchey of Portland,
 Stover of Brunswick. —of the House.

BANKS AND BANKING.

Irving of Aroostook,
 Sewall of Bath,
 Page of Skowhegan. —of the Senate.
 Charles of Mechanic Falls,
 Copeland of Thomaston,
 Baldwin of Boothbay Harbor,
 Pooler of Waterville,
 Allen of Mt. Vernon,
 Colcord of Searsport,
 Flaherty of Portland. —of the House.

MANUFACTURES.

Houston of Piscataquis,
 Foss of Cumberland,
 Wyman of Washington. —of the Senate.
 Clark of Hollis,
 Gordon of Wells,
 Lovejoy of Milo,

True of Portland,
Morneau of Lewiston,
Hathorn of Milford,
Brackett of Sebago. —of the House.

AGRICULTURE.

Brown of Kennebec,
Bailey of Somerset,
Libby of Waldo. —of the Senate.
Titcomb of Farmington,
Merry of Woodland,
Skillin of Falmouth,
Loring of Pownal,
Langley of Acton,
Crosby of Albion,
Kelley of Farmingdale. —of the House.

MILITARY AFFAIRS.

Parkhurst of Penobscot,
Clarke of Lincoln,
Ayer of Kennebec. —of the Senate.
Edwards of Lewiston,
Hall of Caribou,
Flaherty of Portland,
Noyes of Augusta,
Stearns of Norway,
Mayo of Foxcroft,
Safford of Kittery. —of the House.

INTERIOR WATERS.

Ayer of Kennebec,
Houston of Piscataquis,
Stearns of Penobscot. —of the Senate.
Putnam of Danforth,
Milliken of Island Falls,
Mayo of Foxcroft,
Leighton of Westbrook,
Jacobs of Athens,
Grinnell of Bath,
Strickland of Bangor. —of the House.

STATE LANDS AND STATE ROADS.

Parkhurst of Penobscot,
Reardon of Kennebec,
Staples of Knox. —of the Senate.
Lovejoy of Milo,
Smith of Lisbon,
Davis of Poland,
Emerson of Stow,
Stevens of Jonesport,
Farbox of Harrison,
Waldron of Portland. —of the House.

WAYS AND BRIDGES.

Bailey of Somerset,
Therault of Aroostook,
Pretor of Cumberland. —of the Senate.
Lane of Brewer,
Cobb of Gardiner,

Donigan of Bingham,
Thomas of Howland,
Blanchard of Auburn,
Sprague of Drew,
Cyr of Van Buren. —of the House.

INLAND FISHERIES AND GAME.

Rice of Franklin,
Stearns of Penobscot,
Staples of Knox. —of the Senate.
Merrill of Monmouth,
Decker of Weld,
Leader of Lewiston,
Knewlton of Monson,
Stevens of Portage Lake,
Allen of Columbia Falls,
Hathorn of Milford. —of the House.

SHORE FISHERIES.

Wyman of Washington,
Foss of Cumberland,
Simpson of York. —of the Senate.
Baldwin of Boothbay Harbor,
Peacock of Lubec,
Oram of Bristol,
Thomas of Harpswell,
Herrick of Brooklin,
Farnham of Bath,
Hibbard of Perry. —of the House.

COUNTIES.

Tartre of York,
Philoon of Androscoggin,
Eaton of Washington. —of the Senate.
Sprague of Drew,
Fulton of Blaine,
Davis of Poland,
Brawn of Bradley,
Murphy of Portland,
Libby of Amity,
Minahane of South Berwick. —of the House.

TOWNS.

Therault of Aroostook,
Curtis of Cumberland,
Ayer of Kennebec. —of the Senate.
Tolman of Glenburn,
Merry of Woodland,
Haskell of Deer Isle,
Wight of Newry,
Horgan of Biddeford,
Hibbard of Perry,
Barker of Exeter. —of the House.

INDIAN AFFAIRS.

Parkhurst of Penobscot,
Wyman of Washington,
Therault of Aroostook. —of the Senate.

Barker of Exeter,
 Brawn of Bradley,
 Chase of Waterboro,
 Lowe of Turner,
 Frost of Lewiston,
 Horgan of Biddeford,
 Farrar of Corinth. —of the House.

CLAIMS.

Libby of Waldo,
 Merrill of Cumberland,
 Theriault of Aroostook. —of the Senate.
 Kendall of Bowdoinham,
 Randall of Montville,
 Noyes of Augusta,
 Moore of Saco,
 Tucker of Wiscasset,
 Lane of Brewer,
 Barrows of Hampden. —of the House.

PENSIONS.

Barrows of Penobscot,
 Staples of Knox,
 Bailey of Somerset. —of the Senate.
 Barrows of Hampden,
 Folsom of Norridgewock,
 Perry of Fort Fairfield,
 McKinney of Bridgton,
 Tarbox of Harrison,
 Tolman of Portland,
 Harris of St. George. —of the House.

INSANE HOSPITALS.

Eaton of Washington,
 Parkhurst of Penobscot,
 Garcelon of Androscoggin. —of the Senate.

Fulton of Blaine,
 Noyes of Augusta,
 Weld of Old Town,
 Hill of Monticello,
 Gordon of Wells,
 Newcomb of Newburg,
 Hall of Dover. —of the House.

STATE SCHOOL FOR BOYS.

Parkhurst of Penobscot,
 Proctor of Cumberland,
 Libby of Waldo. —of the Senate.
 Havey of Sullivan,
 Loring of Pownal,
 Emerson of Stow,
 Wight of Newry,
 Michaud of Frenchville,
 Hill of Monticello,
 LaBree of Cambridge. —of the House.

STATE PRISON.

Reardon of Kennebec,

Garcelon of Androscoggin,
 Tartre of York. —of the Senate.
 Ciddings of Gorham,
 Folsom of Norridgewock,
 Allen of Mt. Vernon,
 Witham of Raymond,
 Leighton of Westbrook,
 Hawkes of Windham,
 Hathorn of Detroit. —of the House.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS.

Curtis of Cumberland,
 Barrows of Penobscot,
 Clarke of Lincoln. —of the Senate.
 Danforth of Skowhegan,
 Pike of Eastport,
 Snow of Brunswick,
 Haskell of Deer Isle,
 Allen of Richmond,
 Farrar of Corinth,
 Lynch of Washington. —of the House.

LIBRARY.

Philoen of Androscoggin,
 Deasy of Hancock,
 Sewall of Sagadahoc. —of the Senate
 Safford of Kittery,
 Langley of Acton,
 McKinney of Bridgton,
 Skidmore of Liberty,
 Preston of Cherryfield,
 Harriman of Bucksport,
 Wardwell of Rockland. —of the House.

MINES AND MINING.

Bailey of Somerset,
 Foss of Cumberland,
 Brown of Kennebec. —of the Senate.
 Walker of Biddeford,
 Thomas of Howland,
 Pike of Eastport,
 Randall of Montville,
 McClutchey of Portland,
 Perry of Randolph,
 Lynch of Washington. —of the House.

TEMPERANCE.

Brown of Kennebec,
 Mills of Hancock,
 Hastings of Oxford. —of the Senate.
 Dow of Brooks,
 Irving of Presque Isle,
 Waldron of Dexter,
 Perkins of Alfred,
 Newbert of Augusta,
 Libby of Amity,
 Pooler of Waterville. —of the House.

LABOR.

Ayer of Kennebec,
 Philoon of Androscoggin,
 Rice of Franklin. —of the Senate.
 Cobb of Gardiner,
 Allan of Dennysville,
 Joy of Eden,
 Davidson of Vinalhaven,
 Gleason of Mexico,
 Wood of Bluehill,
 Whitehouse of Dayton. —of the House.

TAXATION.

Sewall of Sagadahoc,
 Curtis of Cumberland,
 Houston of Piscataquis. —of the Senate.
 Irving of Presque Isle,
 Mullen of Bangor,
 Perkins of Kennebunkport,
 Hill of Machias,
 Colcord of Searsport,
 Martin of Rumford,
 True of Portland. —of the House.

The Speaker announced the standing committees of the House as follows:

WAYS AND MEANS.

Wood of Bluehill,
 Witham of Raymond,
 Snow of Brunswick,
 Peacock of Lubec,
 Kendall of Bowdoinham,
 Lovejoy of Milo,
 Barrows of Hampden.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Hill of Monticello,
 Harris of St. George,
 Copeland of Thomaston,
 LaBree of Cambridge,
 Skidmore of Liberty,
 Dow of Brooks,
 Hathorn of Detroit.

RULES AND BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE.

Weeks of Fairfield,
 Johnson of Waterville,
 Milliken of Island Falls.

BILLS IN THE THIRD READING.

Smith of Patten,
 Tucker of Wiscasset,
 Barker of Buxter,
 Wardwell of Rockland,
 Waldron of Portland,
 Lane of Brewer,
 Stevens of Portage Lake.

ENGROSSED BILLS.

Gleason of Mexico,
 Giddings of Gorham,
 Stover of Brunswick,
 Johnson of Waterville,
 Knowlton of Monson,
 Baldwin of Boothbay Harbor,
 Lord of Parsonsfield.

ELECTIONS.

Lord of Parsonsfield,
 Emery of Jay,
 Gallagher of Waldoboro,
 Brawn of Bradley,
 Fulton of Blaine,
 Hadlock of Cranberry Isles,
 Lynch of Washington,

COUNTY ESTIMATES.

Smith of Lisbon,
 Stevens of Portage Lake,
 McClutchey of Portland,
 Emery of Jay,
 Havey of Sullivan,
 Stuart of Belgrade,
 Lynch of Washington,
 Oram of Bristol,
 Wight of Newry,
 Sprague of Draw Plantation,
 Lovejoy of Milo,
 Grinnell of Bath,
 LaBree of Cambridge,
 Randall of Montville,
 Preston of Cherryfield,
 Clark of Hollis.

The Speaker joined on the part of the House to the Senate committee to receive proposals from the publishers of the Maine State Year Book for furnishing the State with a sufficient number of copies for the years 1907 and 1908, Messrs. Newbert of Augusta, Giddings of Gorham, Joy of Eden, Leader of Lewiston, Stubbs of Strong, Chase of Waterboro and Hibbard of Perry.

Paper from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Johnson of Waterville, the rules were suspended and that gentleman introduced remonstrance of Alexis O. Robbins against Dana L. Treriault, also remonstrance of Winfield S. Brown against Lafayette B. Waldron, and on further motion by the same gentleman they were referred to the committee on elections.

The Speaker laid before the House

the report from the joint special committee on free transportation for State officials with bill accompanying, and on motion of Mr. Milliken of Island Falls the report and bill were tabled for printing pending reference to a committee.

On motion of Mr. Hall of Dover,

Ordered. That each member and officer of the House be furnished with a copy of Reed's Rules.

On motion of Mr. Fulton of Blaine the rules were suspended and that gentleman introduced Bill, An Act to incorporate the Mars Hill Trust Company, and on further motion by Mr. Fulton it was referred to the committee on banks and banking.

On motion of Mr. Pooler of Waterville,
Adjourned until Wednesday morning,
Jan. 9, at 10 o'clock.