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Legislative Record

of the

Seventy-Third Legislature

of the

State of Maine.

1907.

solve in favor of Bridgton Academy was taken from the table and on further motion by the same senator was referred to the committee on education.

On motion by Mr. Barrows of Penobscot the Senate adjourned to meet on Monday, Feb. 25, at 4.30 P. M.

HOUSE.

Friday, Feb. 22, 1907.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Wight of Hallowell.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

Bill relating to a ferry across the Penobscot river between the town of Orono and the town of Bradley, passed to be engrossed in the House, came back from the Senate with Senate Amendment A.

The House reconsidered the vote whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed, Senate Amendment A was adopted and the bill was then passed to be engrossed as amended.

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

Judiciary.

By Mr. Stuart of Belgrade—Petition of F. L. Varney and 49 others of Sidney for initiative and referendum.

By Mr. Hadlock of Cranberry Isles—Petition of H. L. Perkins for same.

Legal Affairs.

By Mr. Frost of Lewiston—Petition of Hon. W. E. Webster of Lewiston and 40 others for State support of all pauper insane.

Petitions in favor of the passage of An Act in relation to the Union Water Power Company were presented as follows:

By Mr. Allen of Richmond—Of O. B. Ingalls and 18 others; of C. W. Whitehouse and 27 others; of E. S. Pillsbury and 26 others; of Charles Dickenson and 19 others; of W. O. Mountfort and 27 others.

By Mr. Newton of Webster—Of Den-
nie J. Meehan and 20 others; of Patrick J. Cainey and 38 others; of William Ryan and 22 others; of R. C. Tacaberry and 28 others; of Henry N. Cusker and 15 others; of Stephen H. Crowley and 17 others; of Andrew W. Cohoon and 42 others; of Daniel J. Murphy and 22 others, all of Lewiston Bleachery and Dye Works; of John W. Curran and 85 others of Cowan Woolen Co. mill.

By Mr. Merriman of East Livermore—Of T. G. Foley and 87 others in Riley mill; of George H. Routh and 42 others

in Otis mill; of H. N. Howard and 85 others, Otis mill; of E. H. Strant and 41 others in Livermore mills; of J. A. Record and 33 others in Record Foundry and Machine Co.; of J. N. McCarty and 41 others in Otis mill; of Geo. H. Dow and 17 others in Otis mill; of Valentine Gray and 41 others in Otis mill; of C. E. Putnam and 62 others in Otis mill; of F. E. Andrews and 23 others in Otis mill; of Charles E. Ely and 68 others in Otis mill.

By Mr. Martin of Rumford—Of Theo. H. Hawley and nine others in Continental Paper Bag Co.; of E. M. Worthley and seven others in same; of C. E. Young and 88 others of Oxford Paper Co.; of Daniel McMaster and 102 others of same; of C. A. Perkins and 42 others of same; of E. A. Libby and 47 others of same; of Fred C. Berry and 49 others of same; of John Foley and 100 others of Oxford Paper Co.; of W. Wagner and 50 others of same; of William McGrath and 42 others of same; of N. B. Bean and 22 others of same; of G. H. Chabbot and 26 others of same; of Walter E. Metcalf and 48 others of same; of George E. Cates and 32 others of same; of J. H. Hassett and 31 others of same; of Carl Burrows and 17 others in Fort Hill Chem. Co.

By Mr. Stover of Brunswick—Of O. E. Burkette and 27 others; of Isaac H. Snell and 16 others; of 82 inhabitants of Berwick; of N. E. Hatch and 66 others.

Petitions in favor of An Act prohibiting prize fighting and sparring exhibitions were presented as follows:

By Mr. Johnson of Waterville—Of C. W. Bradlee and 40 others of Waterville.

By Mr. Johnson of Calais—Of H. C. Copeland and eight others; of E. Howard Vose and 28 others.

By Mr. Tolman of Portland—Of C. E. Leach and 20 others; of William Abbott Smith and 32 others.

By Mr. Lane of Brewer—Of David W. Angell and 20 others.

By Mr. Wood of Bluehill—Of Percy L. Moore and 16 others of Lamoine.

By Mr. Strickland of Bangor—Of G. B. Merritt and 10 others of Bangor.

By Mr. Dyer of Buckfield—Of W. D. Athearn and 21 others.

By Mr. Skidmore of Liberty—Of Rev. E. E. Morse and 18 others of Morrill.

By Mr. Smith of Lisbon—Of E. W. Ricker and 32 others of Lisbon.

By Mr. Chase of Waterboro—Of Rev. L. F. Cooney and 20 others.

By Mr. Spear of Rockland—Of Barker Holt and 11 others.

By Mr. Merry of Woodland—Of J. E. Buquist and 11 others of Stockholm.

By Mr. Merrill of Monmouth—Of C. W. Bailey and 28 others of Winthrop.

By Mr. Perkins of Kennebunkport—of Rev. S. E. Leach and 29 others.

By Mr. Allan of Dennysville—Of Rev. Fred K. Ellsworth and 17 others of East Machias.

By Mr. Gallagher of Waldoboro—Of G. F. Sibley and 24 others.

By Mr. Farnham of Bath—Of G. C. Dennett and nine others.

By Mr. Langley of Acton—Of James Boyd and 55 others of Berwick.

By Mr. Clark of Hollis—Of E. E. Langley and 13 others of Buxton.

By Mr. Lord of Parsonsfield—Of O. W. Peterson and 15 others of Cornish.

By Mr. Knowlton of Monson—Of A. L. Lowe and others of Winthrop.

By Mr. Stearns of Norway—Of C. F. Burrill and 23 others of Oxford; of Rev. C. A. Brooks and 44 others of Norway.

By Mr. Stover of Brunswick—Of Herbert A. Grant and 18 others.

By Mr. Herrick of Brooklyn—Of Albert W. Bailey and 15 others.

By Mr. Martin of Rumford—Of J. L. Pinkerton and 11 others.

By Mr. Morneau of Lewiston—Bill, An Act to amend Section 9, Chapter 27, Revised Statutes, relating to paupers, their settlement and support.

By Mr. Weld of Old Town—Bill, An Act to authorize and empower the city of Old Town to own, maintain and operate a lighting, heating and power plant. (Received under a suspension of the rules.)

Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

By Mr. Walker of Biddeford—Petition of H. B. Hooper and 17 others of Biddeford in favor of bill creating a State Board of Charities and Corrections.

Education.

By Mr. Strickland of Bangor—Resolutions of Queen City Grange and others in favor of University of Maine, in relation to B. A. degree.

Railroads and Expresses.

Petitions regulating fares on Washington County Railroad were presented as follows:

By Mr. Putnam of Danforth—Of A. C. White and 20 others; of Edward Chase and 31 others of Baring; of Percy Russell and 12 others; of J. H. Bartlett and 38 others of Danforth; of F. O. Foster and 16 others of Forest City.

By Mr. Allan of Dennysville—Of John A. Gilpatrick and 14 others of Whiting.

Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

By Mr. Perry of Fort Fairfield—Petition of W. G. Soule and 11 others against any change in the existing laws relative to fire insurance, especially relating to arbitration clause.

By Mr. LaBree of Cambridge—Remonstrance of R. E. Dodge and 20 others of Cornville against same.

Agriculture.

By Mr. LaBree of Cambridge—Petition of A. P. Bigelow and 47 others of St. Albans in favor of passage of young live stock bill.

By Mr. Martin of Bangor—Remonstrance of Henry G. Thompson and 24 others of Bangor against proposed bill raising license fees on dogs and imposing unnecessary restriction upon the keeping of dogs; of Reuel S. Kimball and 19 others of Bangor; of Walter S. Higgins and 31 others of Bangor; of Dr. W. H. Simmons and 32 others of Bangor against same.

Remonstrances against the repeal of the veterinary act were presented as follows:

By Mr. Montgomery of Camden—Of L. W. Savage and 33 others of Rockland; of James H. Fenderson and 39 others of Biddeford; of W. F. Dunton and 64 others of Bath; of Elmer P. Spofford and 86 others of Deer Isle; of A. L. Grindle and 90 others of Penobscot; of M. B. Sherman and 25 others of Rockland.

By Mr. Smith of Patten—Of L. C. Bryant and 15 others of Millinocket; of F. L. Russell and 36 others; of A. W. Littlefield and 33 others.

By Mr. Johnson of Waterville—Of S. L. Manley and 55 others of Augusta; of Melvin F. Haines of Waterville and

35 others; of C. H. Simpson and 54 others of Waterville; of M. N. McKusick and 23 others of Calais.

By Mr. Frost of Lewiston—Of W. E. Fairbanks and 31 others; of W. F. Sheridan and 22 others; of Charles Kirk and 18 others; of Fred W. Jordan of Lisbon and 79 others; of Henry A. Wing and 89 others of Lewiston; of C. W. Watson of Brunswick and 160 others.

By Mr. Titcomb of Farmington—Of M. E. Titcomb and 35 others of Farmington.

By Mr. Donigan of Bingham—Of W. H. Watson of St. Albans and 30 others; of S. W. Gould of Skowhegan and 29 others; of Louis Fish of Hartland and 30 others; of H. H. Hayes and 183 others of Norridgewock.

By Mr. Goodwin of Sanford—Of A. B. McClure of Buxton and 20 others.

By Mr. Scates of Westbrook—Of Nathan Clifford of Portland and 32 others; of Robert L. Somers of Portland and 22 others.

State Lands and State Roads.

By Mr. Stuart of Belgrade—Petition of Fred E. Blake and 64 others of Sidney for a system of State aid to towns for repairing public highways; of C. H. Houghton and 67 others of Sidney in favor of the Sargent road bill.

Inland Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Dyer of Buckfield—Petition of George L. Wadlin and 11 others of Canton for law preventing carrying of fire arms into unincorporated townships during close time, also to provide means to feed fish in our hatcheries a longer time before liberating them.

By Mr. Tarbox of Harrison—Petition of James Brown and 100 others of North Waterford and Albany relating to throwing mill waste into certain streams.

By Mr. Stevens of Portage Lake—Remonstrance of H. B. York and 26 others against passage of the law in regard to carrying fire arms on wild lands.

Public Buildings and Grounds.

Remonstrances against removal of State capital were presented as follows:

By Mr. Allen of Richmond—Of W. A. Bibber and 46 others.

By Mr. Sprague of Drew—Of L. J. McLaughlin and 11 others.

By Mr. Fulton of Blaine—Of L. M. Rideout and 32 others.

By Mr. Merry of Woodland—Of F. L. Bragdon and 20 others of Perham.

By Mr. Stearns of Norway—Of E. R. Given and 20 others of Hebron.

By Mr. Wight of Newry—Of master of Bear River Grange and 60 members; of F. O. Goodwin and 21 others; of H. A. Staples and eight others.

By Mr. Herrick of Brooklin—Of W. A. Ripker and 58 others of Castine; of J. P. Farnham and nine others of Orland.

By Mr. LaBree of Cambridge—Of S. G. Bowden and six others of Ripley; of H. N. Bowden and 15 others of Ripley.

By Mr. Hadlock of Cranberry Isles—Of Henry Clark and 45 others; of S. W. Newman and others.

By Mr. Skidmore of Liberty—Of C. M. Howes and nine others; of Frank A. Jones and 38 others of Searsmont; of A. G. Coswell and 40 others of Searsmont; of Elisha Merriman and 14 others.

By Mr. Colcord of Searsport—Of A. J. Simmons and 30 others of Waldo.

Taxation.

By Mr. Stuart of Belgrade—Petition of G. F. Bowman and 33 others of Sidney for the enactment of the Grange bill increasing the school tax.

By Mr. Irving of Presque Isle—Bill, An Act to amend Section 42 of Chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes relating to the taxation of express companies; Bill, An Act to amend Section 18 of Chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes relating to the taxation of corporate franchises; Bill, An Act to amend Section 25 of Chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes relation to the taxation of railroad companies. (These bills were tabled for printing pending reference on motion of Mr. Irving of Presque Isle.)

Reports of Committee.

Mr. Jordan from the committee on appropriations and financial affairs reported "ought not to pass" on order relating to postage for committee on railroads and expresses.

Mr. Merrill from the committee on inland fish and game on petition of E.

E. Clifford and others of Cumberland county, for the enactment of a law permitting ice fishing in Thomas pond during the month of March of each year, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on petition of E. R. Estabrook and others, to extend the open season in Swan lake.

Mr. Herrick from the committee on shore fisheries, on petition of W. M. Perkins and 32 others praying that a law prohibiting the taking of smelts in Bagaduce river be passed, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on petition of H. S. Cain and 67 others praying that Sections 35 and 36 of Chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes, relative to close time on clams, be amended.

Mr. Baldwin from same committee reported same on petition of Paul B. Conklin and 106 others, praying that a law be passed prohibiting the use of seines or nets for taking smelts in Oven's Mouth river.

Mr. Fulton from the committee on insane hospitals, on order of the Legislature relating to the advisability of remodeling the third female wing of the Insane hospital at Augusta, reported "legislation thereon inexpedient."

Same gentleman from same committee, on petition of Ephraim Perry and 41 others of Rockland praying that the pauper insane be supported by the State, reported that petition be referred to the committee on legal affairs.

Mr. Irving from the committee on temperance on Bill, "An Act to provide for the proper labelling of medicines containing alcohol and narcotic drugs, and to prevent the manufacture and sale of adulterated drugs," reported that the same be referred to the committee on legal affairs.

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. Smith from the committee on the judiciary reported "ought to pass" on Bill, "An Act to amend the third paragraph of Section 51 of Chapter 79 of the Revised Statutes, relating to supreme judicial court."

Mr. Theriault from the committee

on legal affairs reported same on Bill, "An Act to incorporate the Weld Water Company."

Mr. Titcomb from the committee on agriculture reported "ought to pass in new draft" on Bill, "An Act for the protection of sheep husbandry," under title of "An Act to amend Chapter 4 of the Revised Statutes, relating to better protection of sheep."

Mr. Putnam from the committee on interior waters reported "ought to pass in new draft under same title" on Bill, "An Act to incorporate the Allagash Improvement Company."

Mr. Strickland from same committee reported on Bill, "An Act to incorporate the Little Madawaska Improvement Company."

Mr. Sprague from the committee on ways and bridges reported "ought to pass" on Resolve in favor of the town of St. Agatha, in the county of Aroostook, to assist in building a road in said town.

Same gentleman from same committee, on petition of John A. Thompson and 14 others of Southport praying for a law authorizing the town of Southport to build and maintain a mridge across Decker's Cove, in Southport, reported Bill entitled "An Act to authorize the town of Southport to build and maintain a bridge across Decker's Cove."

Same gentleman from same committee reported "ought to pass in new draft under same title" on Resolve in favor of St. Francis Plantation, to repair river road across Reuben Brann's homestead farm which was washed out by a freshet.

Mr. Merrill from the committee on inland fish and game reported "ought to pass" on Bill, "An Act relating to ice fishing in Allen pond in the town of Greene."

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on Bill, "An Act to renew and extend the charter of Cobbossecontee Fish Cultivating Company."

Sam gentleman from same committee reported same on Bill, "An Act to prohibit ice fishing in China lake, in China and Vassalboro, and in Love-

joy pond, in Albion, in the county of Kennebec."

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on Bill, "An Act to amend Chapter 329 of the Private and Special Laws of 1905, relating to protection of fish in certain waters of Limerick, Parsonsfield and Cornish."

Same gentleman from same committee reported "ought to pass in new draft," on Bill, "An Act to prohibit fishing in the tributaries to Chemo pond, in the county of Penobscot," under title of "An Act to regulate fishing in the tributaries to Chemo pond, in the county of Penobscot."

Same gentleman from same committee reported "ought to pass in new draft" on Bill, "An Act to regulate fishing in Swan lake and its tributaries in the towns of Searsport, Swanville and Frankfort," under title of "An Act to regulate fishing in Swan lake and its tributaries in the towns of Searsport, Swanville and Frankfort, in the county of Waldo."

Same gentleman from same committee, on petition of Daniel Hancox and others, in relation to open season in Wood pond, Somerset county, reported Bill entitled, "An Act to regulate fishing in Little Big Wood pond, also Wood stream, in Somerset county, also to regulate the taking of cusk in all the Moose river waters."

Same gentleman from same committee, on petition of W. H. Watson and others, in relation to fishing in Big and Little Indian ponds and tributaries in the county of Somerset, and to prohibit ice fishing except on certain days, reported Bill entitled "An Act to regulate fishing in Big and Little Indian ponds and tributaries in the county of Somerset."

Same gentleman from same committee, on petition of W. R. Jordan and others, of Bingham and vicinity, praying for regulation upon fishing in East Carry pond, in Somerset county, reported Bill entitled "An Act to regulate fishing in East Carry pond in the county of Somerset."

Same gentleman from same committee, on petition of R. C. Boothby and others of Livermore and East Liver-

more for a law to regulate fishing in Round and Long ponds and tributaries, reported Bill, "An Act to regulate fishing in Round and Long ponds and tributaries in Livermore."

Same gentleman from same committee, on petitions relating to the screening of the outlet to Pleasant pond in Somerset county, also petition of E. L. Kneeland and others for restrictions for screening the outlet of Pleasant pond in Caratunk, reported Resolve entitled Resolve in favor of screening Pleasant pond in Somerset county.

Same gentleman from same committee, on petition of H. F. Ripley and others of Sumner, Hartford and Buckfield praying that North pond be opened to ice fishing for pickerel only, reported Bill entitled, "An Act to permit ice fishing for pickerel in North pond in the towns of Buckfield and Sumner, county of Oxford."

Same gentleman from same committee, on petition of C. F. Clark and others relating to fishing in Bartlett's and Cook's brook, in the towns of Hollis, Dayton and Lyman, in York county, reported Bill entitled, "An Act to regulate fishing in Bartlett's and Cook's brook, so called, in the county of York."

Same gentleman from same committee, on petition of J. O. Douglass and 34 others of Upton, Oxford county, praying for regulations relating to fishing in "B" pond, Upton, reported Bill entitled, "An Act to regulate fishing in "B" pond, in Upton, in the county of Oxford."

Same gentleman from same committee, on petition of H. M. Heald for a law to permit fishing through the ice for pickerel in Bear pond in Turner and Hartford, reported Bill entitled, "An Act to permit ice fishing for pickerel in Bear pond in the town of Turner, in the county of Androscoggin, and in the town of Hartford in the county of Oxford."

Same gentleman from same committee reported "ought to pass on Resolve providing for the screening of Anasagunticook lake in Oxford county.

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on resolve in favor

of the enlargement and completion of the feeding station at the Rangeley lakes.

Mr. Oram from the committee on shore fisheries reports "ought to pass" on Bill, "An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 538 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, relating to the taking of smelts in Sheepscot river."

Mr. Fulton from the committee on insane hospitals reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of building for the criminal insane.

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

First Reading of Printed Bills and Resolves.

An Act to extend the charter of the Clinton Trust Co.

An Act to amend Chapter 143 of the Revised Statutes relating to the State School for Boys.

This bill was read once.

Mr. DUNTON of Belfast: Mr. Speaker, I wish to offer an amendment to that bill. The act provides for the support of boys in the State School for Boys. A question has been raised as to whether it would now apply to boys who are already committed to the school; and in order that there may be no doubt or question left as to that, I move that the bill be amended by inserting after the word "is" in the first line of Section 3 the words "or has been."

The amendment was adopted, the bill received its second reading and was assigned for Monday afternoon.

An Act to incorporate the Augusta Mutual Plate Glass Insurance Co.

An Act to amend Chapter 49 of the Revised Statutes relating to Federal insurance associations.

An Act to authorize the town of Brooks to retire its bonded indebtedness and to issue new bonds.

An Act to incorporate Cambolasse Telephone Co.

An Act to extend the charter of the Wilton Trust Co.

An Act additional to Chapter 49 of the Revised Statutes relating to insurance and insurance companies.

An Act to amend Chapter 143 of the Revised Statutes relating to the Maine

Industrial School for Girls.

An Act to incorporate the Myles Standish Rifle Club of Portland.

An Act relating to the Waldo and Penobscot Agricultural Society.

An Act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes, relating to lime casks.

An Act to incorporate the Sandy River Trust Company.

An Act to amend Chapter 144 of the Revised Statutes, relating to commitment and support of the insane.

Resolve in favor of Benjamin Wentworth of Morrill, late private of Capt. George F. Lippins, 5th Company, Mounted Artillery.

Resolve in favor of John S. Stokes of Sanford, Maine.

Resolve in favor of Betsy Stover of Mt. Vernon.

Resolve in favor of Barrett Potter.

Resolve in favor of the town of Baring for \$108.52 to be paid to the town of Baring on account of State road constructed in the year 1906.

Resolve in favor of the town of Hodgdon.

Passed to Be Engrossed.

An Act to incorporate the Kezar Falls Water Company.

An Act to preserve trees abutting public ways and other places.

Passed to Be Enacted.

An Act to create alien on manufactured staves and laths.

An Act to preserve the purity of the source of water supply for the village of Buckfield and to protect the public health.

An Act to prohibit the deposit of certain waste substances in the waters of the west branch of the Mattawamkeag stream or its tributaries.

An Act to amend Chapter 273 of the Private and Special Laws of 1903 amending An Act to establish a municipal court for the town of Brunswick.

An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 166 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, as amended by Chapter 303 of the Private and Special Laws of 1905, relating to the Fort Fairfield Village Corporation.

Finally Passed.

Resolve in favor of the Lee Normal Academy.

Resolve in favor of the Bangor Children's Home.

Resolve in favor of the Augusta City hospital.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Children's Home Society, Augusta.

Resolve in favor of the Deaconess Home Association at Bangor.

Resolve in aid of navigation on Lewey, Long and Big lakes.

Resolve in favor of the town of Bowdoinham.

Resolve in favor of roads in the Indian township, Washington county.

Resolve in favor of Webber Hospital Association.

Orders of the Day.

On motion of Mr. Newbert of Augusta, bill to establish a board of education at Augusta was taken from the table and referred to the committee on education.

On motion of Mr. Barrows of Hampden,

Adjourned.