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Legislative Record

of the

Seventy-Third Legislature

of the

State of Maine.

1907.

ERRATA:

The header on pages 349-356

in the Regular Session

should read

“FEBRUARY 26”

instead of

“FEBRUARY 27”

HOUSE.

Tuesday, February 26th, 1907.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Herrick of Hal-
lowell.

Papers from the Senate disposed of
in concurrence.

Senate Bills on First Reading.

An Act to incorporate the Sagada-
hoc Trust Co.

An Act to enable cities to assess
taxes for street sprinkling. (Tabled
pending first reading on motion of Mr.
Murphy of Portland.)

An Act to prevent the pollution of
the waters of Lake Nokomis.

An Act to further define State print-
ing.

An Act for the protection of gray
squirrels and black squirrels, so called.
(Tabled pending third reading on mo-
tion of Mr. Skidmore of Liberty.)

An Act to amend the charter of the
Gardiner Trust Co.

Resolve to encourage the utilization
of tidal and sea power in the State of
Maine.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Wom-
an's Christian Temperance Union.

An Act to grant certain powers to
the Northeast Harbor Water Co.

An Act to make valid the organiza-
tion of the Middle Intervale Telephone
Co., and to legalize its acts and doings.

An Act to incorporate the Penobscot
Bay Electric Co.

Resolve for payment of premium on
bonds of clerks in State treasurer's
office.

An Act to abolish the January term
of the supreme judicial court for the
county of Hancock.

An Act to change the time of hold-
ing the January session of the court
of county commissioners for Hancock
county.

An Act relating to the Bar Harbor
& Union River Power Co.

An Act to amend Chapter 310 of the
Private and Special Laws of 1905 in-
corporating the State Loan Co.

An Act to authorize and empower
the city of Old Town to own, maintain
and operate a lighting, heating and
power plant.

This bill was received in the House
under a suspension of the rules and
referred to the committee on legal af-

airs. It came back from the Senate
that branch non-concurring with the
House in its reference and indefinitely
postponing the bill.

On motion of Mr. Weld of Old Town,
the bill was tabled.

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

Judiciary.

By Mr. Smith of Patten—Petition of
C. W. Scribner and 8 others of Patten
in favor of the initiative and referen-
dum.

By Mr. Scates of Westbrook—Bill,
An Act to create the office of State
Comptroller and to define his duties.
(Tabled for printing pending reference
on motion of Mr. Scates of Westbrook.)

Legar Affairs.

By Mr. Montgomery of Camden—Peti-
tion of A. P. Fitzgerald and 17 others
of Camden in favor of a law against
prize fighting.

By Mr. Skidmore of Liberty—Peti-
tion of Rev. C. A. Purdy and 20 others
for same.

Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

By Mr. Jordon of Portland—Petition
of the James Bailey Company of Port-
land and 35 others in favor of a State
board of charities.

State Lands and State Roads.

By Mr. Smith of Patten—Petition of
C. W. Scribner and 10 others of Patten
in favor of State aid to roads.

Inland Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Goodwin of Sanford—Petition
of Everett E. Ham and 16 others of
Newfield and Shapleigh for law to pre-
vent carrying of firearms into unin-
corporated townships during close
time, also to provide for the feeding of
fish in hatcheries for longer time be-
fore liberating them; of Leroy S. Patch
and others of Shapleigh for same.

By Mr. Stubbs of Strong—Petition of
C. B. Richardson and 36 others of Strong
for repeal of law relating to taking
of fish in streams lying wholly or part-
ly in towns of Freeman and Salem; of
C. W. Toothaker and 16 others of Free-
man for same; of W. S. Lovejoy and
16 others of Salem for same; of John
W. Durrell and 9 others of Freeman
for same.

Shore Fisheries.

By Mr. Baldwin of Boothbay Harbor—Petition of Levi W. Powers and 11 others of Georgetown for a law to prevent seining herring in Sheepscot river; of Frank M. Dunton and 22 others of Georgetown; of D. A. Greenlaw and 40 others; of C. E. Sherman and 159 others of Boothbay Harbor, for same.

Public Buildings and Grounds.

Remonstrances against removal of State capital were presented as follows:

By Mr. Cobb of Gardiner—Of E. M. Norton and 26 others of Pittston.

By Mr. Smith of Patten—Of E. J. Farnham and 76 others of Patten; of John R. Willett and 4 others of Mount Chase.

By Mr. Wight of Newry—Of S. F. Feaslee and 6 others of Upton.

By Mr. Tucker of Wiscasset—Of Wm. M. Titus and 45 others of Alna.

By Mr. Stearns of Norway—Of Roscoe F. Staples and 37 others of Oxford.

By Mr. Baldwin of Boothbay Harbor—Of L. W. McFarland and 17 others.

By Mr. Skidmore of Liberty—Of W. S. Jones and 22 others of Palermo.

By Mr. Colcord of Searsport—Of Edward Evans and 13 others of Waldo.

By Mr. Dyer of Buckfield—Of Howard A. Clifford and 17 others of South Paris.

By Mr. Wight of Newry—Of 62 members of Mountain View Grange.

By Mr. McKinney of Bridgton—Of 124 members of New Gloucester Grange; of 86 members of Bridgton Grange.

By Mr. Dyer of Buckfield—Of 137 members of Buckfield Grange.

By Mr. Gleason of Mexico—Of 107 members of Mexico Grange; of 109 members of Rockemaker Grange; of 65 members of Byron Grange.

By Mr. Allen of Richmond—Of 97 members of Richmond Grange; of 70 members of Boothbay Grange; of 240 members of West Bath Grange; of 233 members of Topsham Grange; of 150 members of Bowdoinham Grange; of 261 members of Bowdoin Grange.

By Mr. Goodwin of Sanford—Of 140 members of Alfred Grange; of 47 members of Newfield Grange; of 77 members of Eliot Grange; of 100 members of Brownville Grange; of 36 members of

East Parsonsfield Grange; of 150 members of Cornish Grange; of 53 members of North Alfred Grange.

By Mr. Decker of Weld—Of 178 members of Chesterville Grange; of 55 members of Wilton Grange; of 150 members of Mt. Vernon Grange; of 122 members of Industry Grange; of 160 members of New Sharon Grange; of 100 members of Wilton Grange; of 255 members of North Jay Grange; of 145 members of Carthage Grange; of 173 members of Andover Grange; of 85 members of New Vineyard Grange; of 110 members of Lovell Grange; of 89 members of Carthage Grange.

Temperance.

By Mr. Perkins of Kennebunkport—Remonstrance of L. H. Bean and 17 others of Kennebunkport against re-submission.

Taxation.

By Mr. Smith of Patten—Petition of C. W. Scribner and 3 others of Patten in favor of increasing the school tax fund by one mill.

Reports of Committees.

Messrs. Rice, Philoon, Milliken, Kendall, Hawkes, Lord and Murphy, a majority of the Committee on Education to which was referred bill, "An Act to provide an annual appropriation for the maintenance of the University of Maine," reported a bill in a new draft entitled, "Resolve to provide for the maintenance of the University of Maine," and that it ought to pass.

Messrs. Stearns and Gleason, a minority of the same committee, on same reported a bill in a new draft entitled "An Act to provide for an annual appropriation for the maintenance of the University of Maine," and that it ought to pass.

On motion of Mr. Davies of Yarmouth, both reports were tabled for printing, pending acceptance and Thursday of this week assigned for their consideration.

Mr. Goodwin from the Committee on Judiciary, reported ought not to pass on bill, "An Act to amend an Act relating to the municipal court of the city of Lewiston."

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Passed to Be Engrossed.

An Act to extend the charter of the Lincoln Electric Railway Company.

An Act to establish the Lubec and Machias Railway Company.

An Act to extend the charter of the Waterville & Winslow Bridge Company.

An Act to amend Section 44 of Chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes relating to the taking of smelts.

An Act to incorporate the Winter Harbor and Eastern Railway Company.

An Act to amend Chapter 154 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895 as amended by Chapter 20 of the Private and Special Laws of 1905 relating to the charter of the Wiscasset Water Company.

An Act to amend Chapter 134 of the Revised Statutes, relating to recognizances in criminal cases.

An Act to amend the charter of the Pepperell Trust Company.

An Act to amend Sections 13 and 14 of Chapter 73 of the Revised Statutes, relating to sales of estates of non-resident owners.

An Act to amend Section 11 of Chapter 61 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the solemnization of marriages.

An Act to amend Section 15 of Chapter 65 of the Revised Statutes, relating to courts of Probate.

An Act to assent to the purpose and provisions of an Act of the Congress of the United States entitled "An Act to provide for an increased annual appropriation for Agricultural Experiment Stations, and regulating the expenditure thereof."

An Act to abolish Fast day and create Patriot's day.

An Act to amend Section 10 of Chapter 12 of the Revised Statutes, relating to county law libraries.

An Act relating to the extension of the Fryeburg Horse Railroad.

An Act to incorporate the Limerick Water and Electric Company.

An Act to incorporate the Solon Trust Company.

An Act to amend Section 36 of

Chapter 101 of the Revised Statutes, in relation to bail commissioners.

An Act additional to and amendatory of Chapter 407 of the Private and Special Laws of 1903, relating to ice fishing in Allen pond in the town of Greenc.

An Act to renew and extend the charter of Cobbosseecontee Fish Cultivating Company.

An Act to prohibit ice fishing in China lake, in China and Vassalboro, and in Lovejoy pond, in Albion, in the county of Kennebec.

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.

An Act to regulate fishing in Round and Long ponds and their tributaries in Livermore.

An Act to incorporate the Allagash Improvement Company.

An Act to amend the third paragraph of Section 51 of Chapter 79 of the Revised Statutes, relating to Supreme judicial courts.

An Act to incorporate the Weld Water Company.

An Act to incorporate the Little Madawaska Improvement Company.

An Act to regulate fishing in "B" pond, in Upton, in the county of Oxford.

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.

An Act to regulate fishing in the tributaries of Chemo pond, in the county of Penobscot.

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.

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.

An Act to regulate fishing in Big and Little Indian ponds and tributaries, in the county of Somerset.

An Act to regulate fishing in East Carry pond in the county of Somerset.

An Act to regulate fishing in Swan

lake and its tributaries, in the towns of Searsport, Swanville and Frankfort, in the county of Waldo.

An Act to permit ice fishing for pickerel only in North pond, situated in the towns of Buckfield and Sumner, in the county of Oxford.

An Act to regulate fishing in Bartlett's and Crook's brook, so called, in the county of York.

Resolve to amend Chapter 126 of the Resolves of 1905, relating to the Central Maine Fair Association.

Resolve in favor of the town of St. Agatha in the county of Aroostook, to assist in building a road in said town.

Resolve relating to reprinting the Maine reports and to the purchase of the same by the State. (Tabled pending second reading on motion of Mr. McKinney of Bridgton.)

Resolve in favor of the enlargement and completion of the feeding station at the Rangeley lakes.

Resolve in favor of screening Pleasant pond in the county of Somerset.

Resolve in favor of St. Francis plantation to repair river road across Reuben Bran's homestead farm which was washed out by freshet.

Resolve providing for the screening of Anasagaticook lake, in Oxford county.

Resolve in favor of building for criminal insane.

Orders of the Day.

Mr. McKINNEY of Bridgton: Mr. Speaker, I desire to make a motion and wish to say a few words in explanation. On last Thursday when the matter of the bench mark on Sebago Lake was taken up I moved to substitute the bill for the report and that it lie on the table for future action. Two members of the committee on interior waters asked that it be taken from the table and re-committed to the committee. That motion was passed by this House by a large vote. It went to the Senate and the Senate have non-concurred in the action of the House. Now I desire to make a motion that the House insist on its action and ask for a committee of conference; and I wish to say, after consultation with the other side that are opposed to this bill, that they have agreed to that action, and I trust that the House

will insist and ask for a committee of conference.

The question being, shall the House insist on its action, the motion was agreed to.

The question then being, shall a committee of conference be appointed, the motion was agreed to.

The Speaker appointed as conferees on the part of the House Messrs. McKinney of Bridgton, Mayo of Foxcroft and Gleason of Mexico.

On a motion of Mr. Flaherty of Portland, bill relating to savings banks was taken from the table and referred to the committee on banks and banking.

On the motion of Mr. Davies of Yarmouth, Senate document No. 97, order relating to the substitution for the agency system the dispensing of intoxicating liquors for medicinal and mechanical purposes through drug stores, and House document No. 222, the amendment to the same, House amendment "A" offered by Mr. Newbert of Augusta, were taken from the table.

The question being on the adoption of amendment "A," the amendment was adopted.

The order was then given a passage as amended.

On motion of Mr. Tolman of Portland bill, relating to support and commitment of insane, was taken from the table.

The bill then received its third reading and was passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. STEARNS of Norway, bill relating to fishing in Sunday river in Oxford county, was taken from the table.

Mr. Stearns offered House amendment "A," by striking out all of section three and substituting therefor the following:

"Section 3. Provided further that this Act shall take effect May 1, 1907, on or before which day the commissioners of inland fisheries and game shall without expense to the state cause notices to be posted in conspicuous places on or near said stream setting forth in substance the provisions of this Act."

The amendment was adopted and

the bill as amended was then passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Scates of Westbrook, resolve in favor of the Maine State Library was taken from the table.

The resolve was then passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Murphy of Portland.

Adjourned.