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Legislative Record

of the

Seventy-Third Legislature

of the

State of Maine.

1907.

HOUSE.

Saturday, March 9, 1907.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Hope of Augusta. Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

Senate Bills on First Reading.

An Act to incorporate the Northern Aroostook Electric Company.

An Act to incorporate the Central Arcostook Electric Company.

An Act to extend the charter of the Waterville Gas and Electric Company.

An Act to authorize the Auburn Water Commissioners to make a further issue of bonds to be used for the purposes of its incorporation.

An Act relating to the Bluehill Water Company.

Resolve in favor of the Castine Normal School.

An Act to amend Section 13 of Chapter 117, of the Revised Statutes, relating to witness fees before referees, auditors or commissioners.

Resolve in favor of the town of Isle au Haut.

An Act to incorporate the Naples Water Company.

An Act to incorporate the Washburn Electric Company.

Twitchell and Round ponds in Greenwood and to close the tributaries to Act to amend Section 11 of Chapter 80 Round and North ponds in the county of Oxford.

Resolve in favor of the town of Newport, county of Penobscot, and State of Maine. (Read a second time and passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules on motion of Mr. Weld of Old Town.)

An Act to organize the Fairfield and Skowhegan Railway Company.

This bill came back from the Senate amended by Senate Amendments A, B and C.

The House reconsidered the vote whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. McKinney of Bridgton the bill was tabled and the amendments ordered printed pending their acceptance.

An Act to revise the charter of the city of Westbrook.

This bill came back from the Senate

amended by Senate Amendments and B.

The House reconsidered the vote whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed

On motion of Mr. McKinney the bill was tabled until Monday afternoon.

On motion of Mr. Gleason of Mexico, bill to incorporate the North Jay Trust Company was taken up out of order and passed to be enacted.

Resolve making appropriations for the Penobscot tribe of Indians.

This resolve came back from the Senate amended by Senate Amendment A.

The House reconsidered the vote whereby the resolve was passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Milliken of Island Falls, pending the adoption of the amendment, the resolve was tabled for printing a statement of facts.

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

Judiciary.

By Mr. Hall of Machias-Petition of Samuel Grant Chapter, D. A. R., of Gardiner, for the proper observance of Marguretta day.

By Mr. Waldron of Dexter-Bill, An An Act to regulate ice fishing in Act for the better protection of ballots. By Mr. Safford of Kittery-Bill, An of the Revised Statutes of 1903, providing for renewing, rearranging, indexing and docketing the records of probate and other county courts.

By Mr. Weeks of Fairfield—Bill, An Act in addition to Chapter 97, Revised Statutes, relating to waste and trespass on real estate.

Legal Affairs.

By Mr. Martin of Bangor-Bill, An Act in regard to the peremptory challenge of jurors.

Education.

By Mr. Skidmore of Liberty-Bill, An Act to amend Section 63 of Chapter 15 of the Revised Statutes relating to free High schools.

Military Affairs.

By Mr. Stearns of Norwty-Petition of Capt. J. Waldo Nash and 25 others of Norway in favor of the Flaherty bill so-called.

Inland Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Milliken of Island Falls-Remonstrance of J. C. Joy and 12 others of Silver Ridge against the proposed law prohibiting the carrying of firearms on the wild lands of the State; of F. Terrio and 14 others of Sherman; of David L. Morgan and 21 others of Silver Ridge against same.

Penobscot County Delegation.

By Mr. Farrar of Corinth-Bill. An Act to fix the salary of the county treasurer of Penobscot county; Bill, An Act to fix the salary of the sheriff of Penobscot county.

Placed on rue.

By Mr. Langley of Acton-Petition of D. A. Hurd and 28 others for an act to prevent prize fighting.

By Mr. Giddings of Gorham-Remonstrance of John A. Waterman and eight others of Gorham against the duplication by the University of Maine, at the expense of the State, of the liberal arts courses.

By Mr. Crosby of Albion-Remonstrance of 150 members of China Grange against removal of State capi-

By Mr. Thomas of Howland-Remonstrance of 32 members of Sebois Grange against same.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Knowlton of Monson-

Ordered, That the committee of agriculture investigate and see if legislation be necessary in regard to the extermination of the weed called the Crimson Hawk, and report by bill if expedient.

Reports of Committees

Mr. Mayo from the committee on miiltary affairs on Bill, "An Act in relation to desertion from the military service of the United States and from the militia of this State," reported that the same be referred to the next Legisla-

Same gentleman from same committee reported "ought not to pass" on resolve in favor of William M. Simpson, late Q. M. sergeant, Co. A, 1st Inf., N. G. S. M., Portland.

tee reported same on Bill, "An Act to ported same on Bill "An Act to incor-

reimburse officers and enlisted men for expenses incurred by sickness in the War with Spain."

Mr. Lane from the committee ways and bridges on petition of Enoch Hatch and 21 others of Bristol for an act to provide for State aid and for the expenditure of other public moneys in the permanent improvement of main highways or State roads, reported that the same be referred to the committee on State lands and State roads.

Mr. Baldwin from the committee on shore fisheries reported "ought not to pass" on Bill, "An Act to amend Section 44 of Chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes relating to the regulation of smelt fishing."

Same gentle from same committee on petition of Nathaniel Perkins and 32 others praying that a law be enacted giving the owners of flats in Atkins Bay, at the mouth of the Kennebec river, the right to protect and cultivate the growth of clams in said flat, or the power to delegate this right to others, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on petition of Snow B. Orne and others praying that a law be enacted against seining for herring in the Sheepscot river.

Mr. McKenney from the committee on pensions on resolve in favor of Benjamin F. Brown of South Gardiner, reported that that part of the resolve relating to money alleged to have been formerly voted and now remaining unpaid should be referred to the committee on claims.

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. Baldwin from the committee on shore fisheries reported "ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act to amend Section 35 of Chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taking of clams."

The report was tabled, pending acceptance, on motion of Mr. Kendall of Bowdoinham.

Mr. Waldron from the committee on judiciary reported "ought to pass in new draft under same title" on Bill "An Act to incorporate the Thomas Brackett Reed Association."

Same gentleman from same commit- Mr. Goodwin from same committee re-

Mr. Davies from same committee reported "ought to pass" on Bill "An Act to authorize the Atlantic Shore Line Railway to discontinue operation of its ferry across the Piscataqua river in certain instances."

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on Bill "An Act to ratify and confirm the organization of Westbrook Gas Company."

Mr. Gleason from the committee on education reported "ought to pass" on Resolve in favor of Limerick Academy,

Mr. Murphy from same committee reported same on Bill "An Act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 15 of the Revised Statutes, relating to public schools,"

Mr. Knowlton from same committee reported "eught to pass in new draft under same title" on Bill "An Act to amend Chapter 15 of the Revised Statutes of 1903, relating to the time within which academies may receive State aid, under Section 76 of said chapter."

Mr. Kendall from same committee reported "ought to pass in new draft" on Bill "An Act to create the office of State historian and encourage the teaching of local history in our public schools," under title of "An Act to encourage the compiling and teaching of local history and local geography in the public schools."

Mr. Flaherty from the committee on banks and banking reported "ought to pass" on Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Old Town Trust Company."

Mr. Edwards from the committee on military affairs reported "ought to pass" on Resolve in favor of William J. Maxwell.

Mr. Hall from same committee reported same on Resolve to provide water supply on State camp grounds,

Mr. Flaherty from same committee reported same on Resolve in favor of Private Hugh Monahan of Company L. First Infantry, Portland, Maine,

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on Resolves in favor of Louis D. Greenwood.

"ought to pass" on Resolve in favor of Street Railway.

porate Cornish Water, Light and Power the town of Frenchville in the county of Aroostook to assist in building a road in said town.

> Mr. Oram from the commmittee shore fisheries on petition of M. J. Hanna and 49 others of Bristol praying that Section 1 of Chapter 391 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taking of eels in the Damariscotta river, be amended, reported Bill entitled "An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 391 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taking of eels in the Damariscotta river"

> The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under

First Reading of Printed Bills and Resolves.

An Act to extend the open season for hunting the game bird known as golden eye or whistler in the county of Hancock.

An Act to regulate fishing in Allen brook, so called, and its tributaries in the town of Exeter, county of Penobscot.

An Act to change the name of the Boothbay Harbor Banking Company to the Boothbay Harbor Trust Company and to ratify certain doings in relation thereto.

An Act to authorize the town of Van Buren to issue bonds.

An Act to incorporate the Paris Trust Company.

An Act to incorporate the Cumberland County Pewer and Light Company.

An Act to amend Chapter 48 of the Re vised Statutes, relating to savings banks. Resolve in favor of June F. Curtis of Bingham.

Passed to Be Engrossed.

An Act to promote public knowledge of the law relating to the solemnization of marriages.

Passed to Be Enacted.

An Act to incorporate the Society of the Sisters of Wisdom.

An Act authorizing Webster plantation to build and maintain its roads and bridges and to raise money for that pur-

An Act to enlarge the powers of the Auburn, Mechanic Falls and Norway Mr. Lovejoy from the committee on Street Railway and to change its name State lands and State roads reported to the Lewiston, Augusta and Waterville

On motion of Mr. Knowlton of Monson,

Adjourned until 4.30 o'clock P. M. Monday afternoon.