

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Record

of the

Seventy-Third Legislature

of the

State of Maine.

1907.

SENATE.

Thursday, Jan. 3, 1907.

Senate called to order by the President. Prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Livingston of Augusta.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. Hastings for the committee to which was referred the returns of the votes cast for Senators in the several districts at the State election held on the 10th day of September, 1906, reported that the committee had attended to their duty and asked leave to report as follows:

The following persons have received a plurality of the votes cast in their respective senatorial districts and are therefore elected Senators, namely:

FIRST SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

John B. Tartre, Biddeford.

Fred J. Allen, Sanford.

Joseph W. Simpson, York.

SECOND SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

John H. Proctor, Bridgton.

Oakley C. Curtis, Portland.

John F. A. Merrill, Portland.

Ira C. Foss, Scarboro.

THIRD SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Henry H. Hastings, Bethel.

FOURTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Everett L. Philoon, Auburn.

Alonzo M. Garcelon, Lewiston.

FIFTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

H. Herbert Rice, Farmington.

SIXTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Harold M. Sewall, Bath.

SEVENTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

There having been presented to the Senate a petition signed by the Honorable George W. Heselton in which he claims to have been elected a member of the Senate from this district, and asking that he be seated; and said petition and claim having been referred to this Committee with power to investigate the facts, your committee are not ready to report on the results of the election for Senators in this district until a future date.

EIGHTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

William G. Bailey, Harmony,

NINTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

John Houston, Guilford.

TENTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Frederic H. Parkhurst, Bangor.

George W. Stearns, Millinocket.

George M. Barrows, Newport.

ELEVENTH SENATORIAL DIST.

Walter B. Clarke, Nobleboro.

TWELFTH SENATORIAL DIST.

L. M. Staples, Washington.

THIRTEENTH SENATORIAL DIST.

Charles E. Libby, Burnham.

FOURTEENTH SENATORIAL DIST.

Luere B. Deasy, Eden.

Sumner P. Mills, Stonington.

FIFTEENTH SENATORIAL DIST.

George H. Eaton, Calais.

Jasper P. Wyman, Milbridge.

SIXTEENTH SENATORIAL DIST.

George W. Irving, Caribou.

Patrick Theriault, Grand Isle.

Beecher Putnam, Houlton.

(Signed) H. H. HASTINGS,
 L. B. DEASY,
 JOHN F. A. MERRILL,
 GEORGE F. STEARNS,
 E. L. PHILOON,
 WALTER B. CLARKE,
 JOSEPH. W. SIMPSON.

And the report was accepted.

Mr. Sewall for the joint select committee to which was referred the returns of votes for Governor given in the several cities, towns and plantations for this State for the political years of 1907 and 1908, reported that the committee had performed its duties, and asks leave to report that the whole number of votes for Governor is 133,602.

William T. Cobb has	69,427
Cyrus W. Davis has	61,463
Henry Woodward	1132
Charles L. Fox	1553
Scattering	27

(Signed) HAROLD M. SEWALL,
 Chairman of the part of the Senate.
 PHILIP D. STUBBS,
 Chairman of the part of the House.

The report was accepted.

On motion by Mr. Ayer of Kennebec, that senator with Messrs. Eaton of Washington and Bailey of Somerset were appointed a committee of three

on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, to wait upon the Hon. William T. Cobb and to inform him that he has been duly elected Governor of Maine for the political years of 1907 and 1908. The same senator subsequently reported that the committee had discharged its duty and that the Governor was pleased to say that he has accepted the office and awaits the pleasure of the convention.

On motion of Mr. Rice of Franklin, it was

Ordered, That a joint select committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed 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.

The President appointed as such committee on the part of the Senate, Messrs. Rice of Franklin, Theriault of Aroostook and Wyman of Washington.

On motion by Mr. Clarke of Lincoln it was,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the House of Representatives, proposing a convention of both branches of the Legislature forthwith in the hall of the House, for the purpose of administering to the Honorable William T. Cobb, Governor-elect, the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The Secretary of the Senate was appointed to convey said message, and subsequently reported that he had delivered the message with which he was charged.

The following message was received from the House, conveyed by Mr. Thompson, its clerk:

Mr. President: I am charged with a message from the House to inform this Honorable Body that the House of Representatives concurs with the proposition of the Senate to hold a convention in the Hall of the House of Representatives forthwith for the purpose of administering to the Hon. William T. Cobb, the oaths necessary to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The Senators in a body thereupon proceeded to the Hall of the House of Representatives.

(For proceedings in joint convention see House report.)

On the return of the Senate to their chamber:

On motion by Mr. Wyman of Washington, it was,

Ordered, That 800 copies of the Governor's Message be printed for the use of the Senate.

On motion by Mr. Hastings of Oxford, it was,

Ordered, That a joint select committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join be appointed to consider the Governor's Message, and report a reference of its several subjects to appropriate committees.

The President appointed as such committee, Messrs. Irving of Aroostook, Simpson of York and Parkhurst of Penobscot.

Mr. SEWALL of Sagadahoc presented the following order:

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.

The order was tabled pending the appointment of committees.

On motion of Mr. Mills of Hancock it was

Ordered, That a message be sent to the House of Representatives, proposing a convention of the two branches of the Legislature forthwith in the hall of the House, for the purpose of electing secretary of State, Treasurer of State, attorney general, State assessor, commissioner of agriculture, State binder and seven Executive Councilors.

The secretary of the Senate was appointed to convey said message, and subsequently reported that he had delivered the message with which he was charged.

The following message was received from the House, conveyed by Mr. Thompson, its clerk:

Mr. President: I am charged with a message from the House, to make known to the Senate that the House

concurs in the proposition of the Senate to hold a convention in the hall of the House of Representatives forthwith for the purpose of electing such State officials as properly come before the convention.

The Senate, in a body thereupon repaired to the hall of the House of Representatives.

(For proceedings of the joint convention, see House report.)

On the return of the Senate to their chamber:

On motion by Mr. Putnam of Aroostook, it was

Ordered, The House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet on Wednesday, Jan. 9, 1907, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

The foregoing order was returned from the House, that body having passed the same in concurrence.

The Chair announced the appointment of the following standing committees.

BILLS IN THE SECOND READING.

Parkhurst of Penobscot,
Houston of Piscataquis,
Clarke of Lincoln,
Foss of Cumberland,
Page of Somerset,
Brown of Kennebec,
Libby of Waldo,
Therlault of Aroostook,
Garcelon of Androscoggin,
Wyman of Washington,
Deasy of Hancock,
Tartre of York.

ENGROSSED BILLS.

Irving of Aroostook,
Barrows of Penobscot,
Mills of Hancock,
Bailey of Somerset,
Reardon of Kennebec,
Hastings of Oxford,
Simpson of York,
Curtis of Cumberland,
Rice of Franklin,
Philoon of Androscoggin,
Eaton of Washington.

The President read the list of joint standing committees, (for which, see House report.)

On motion by Mr. Sewall of Sagadahoc, it was.

Ordered, That the committee on education be authorized and directed to investigate the office of the State superintendent of public schools, with power to send for papers and persons; and report by bill or otherwise. (Sent down for concurrence.)

On motion of Mr. Irving of Aroostook, Bill, An Act to incorporate the Frontier Trust Co., was taken from the table; and on further motion by the same senator was referred to the committee on banks and banking.

On motion by Mr. Merrill of Cumberland, Resolve for an amendment to the Constitution by abrogating and annulling the Fifth Amendment to the Constitution, was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same senator, was referred to the committee on temperance.

On motion by Mr. Deasy of Hancock, Bill, An Act authorizing the construction of the Eastern Electric Street Railway Co. from Ellsworth in Hancock county to Milbridge in Washington county, was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same senator, the bill was referred to the committee on railroads and expresses.

On motion by Mr. Garcelon of Androscoggin, Bill, An Act in relation to the Union Water Power Co. of Lewiston, was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same senator, the bill was referred to the committee on legal affairs.

On motion by Mr. Deasy of Hancock, Bill, An Act to extend the charter of the Hancock County Railway Co., was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same senator, the bill was referred to the committee on railroads and expresses.

Mr. Houston of Piscataquis presented Bill, An Act to authorize the Milo Lumber Co. to erect piers and booms and moved its reference to the committee on interior waters. The motion prevailed.

On motion by Mr. Irving of Aroostook, the Senate adjourned to meet on Wednesday, Jan. 9, 1907, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.