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Legislative Record

OF THE

Seventy-Fifth Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1911

SENATE.

Tuesday, January 31, 1911.

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. Fr. Nelligan of Augusta.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

Bill, "An Act defining motor vehicles, and providing for their registration and the licensing of the drivers thereof," in Senate referred to the committee on Ways and Bridges, came from the House, by that Branch referred to the committee on State Lands and State Roads in non-concurrence. On motion by Mr. Donigan of Somerset, the Senate reconsidered the vote whereby the bill was referred to the committee on Ways and Bridges. On further motion by the same Senator, the bill was referred to the committee on State Lands and State Roads, in concurrence.

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

Legal Affairs.

By Mr. Stearns of Oxford: Bill, "An Act additional to the act creating the Norway Municipal Court."

Agriculture.

By Mr. Fulton of Sagadahoc: "Resolve in favor of the Sagadahoc Agricultural and Horticultural Society."

Interior Waters.

By Mr. Milliken of Aroostook: Bill, "An Act to render valid the doings of Little Madawaska Improvement Company and to amend the charter of same."

By Mr. Winslow of Cumberland: Bill, "An Act to amend section 36 of chapter 94 of the Revised Statutes relating to the creation of ponds for cutting ice."

Ways and Bridges. . . .

By Mr. Theriault of Aroostook: Petition of W. H. Cunliffe and 35 others in favor of granting charter to St. John River Toll Bridge Company for bridge across St. John River at Fort Kent.

Inland Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Fulton of Sagadahoc: "An

Act to prohibit the use of automatic and repeating shot guns in hunting birds."

By Mr. Winslow of Cumberland: Bill, "An Act to open season in Cumberland County to hunt, chase, catch and kill black duck in the month of January of each year."

By Mr. Noyes of Kennebec: Petition of D. L. Diplock and 221 others for open fishing one day in each week on Cobbosseecontee Lake.

Towns.

By Mr. Stearns of Oxford: Bill, "An Act to set off a certain estate and the inhabitants thereof from the Norway Village Corporation."

By Mr. Fulton of Sagadahoc: Bill, "An Act to amend section 89 of chapter 94 of the Public Laws of 1909 relating to the compensation of selectmen."

Claims.

By Mr. Stearns of Oxford: "Resolve in favor of the town of Mexico."

Public Buildings and Grounds.

By Mr. Noyes of Kennebec: Resolve in favor of the Augusta Water District.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Kellogg of Penobscot, it was—

Ordered the House concurring, that the time for introducing private and special legislation be extended from Wednesday, February first, to Tuesday, February seventh.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Staples of Knox, presented out of order "Resolve in favor of a pension for Daniel Lineo of Warren," accompanied by statement of facts.

On further motion by the same Senator, the Resolve was referred to the committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

Orders of the Day.

Mr. STAPLES of Knox: Mr. President: I move to take from the table Resolve in favor of the Panama Exposition, which was indefinitely postponed in the House, and I move that the Senate insist and ask for a committee of conference.

Mr. MILLIKEN of Aroostook: Mr. President: I move that the Senate recede and concur with the House. It seems to me that we shall do very well at this session if we attend properly to the business that belongs to the

people of the State of Maine. The passage of this memorial or resolution either will have some influence of some kind, or it will not. I do not undertake to say whether it will have any influence or not before any tribunal. If it will not have any influence anywhere, there can certainly be no reason for cumbering the records of this Legislature with such a memorial. If it will have influence somewhere upon the decision as to where the Panama Exposition shall be held, it certainly involves on our part a great deal more consideration than I, for one, have been able to give it. I do not believe my constituents are interested particularly in the question as to which place shall have the honor of entertaining this exposition, and it seems to me that an expression of opinion by this Legislature upon the subject is altogether ill-advised. I hope the motion to recede and concur with the House will prevail.

Mr. STAPLES; Mr. President: This is a matter in which I am not particularly interested, but I think the people of Maine are somewhat interested. I believe that a preference as to where it should be held is a very feasible proposition. I believe that the people of Maine and New England have a great deal of interest in this great exposition, that will be had in some city of this Union in 1915.

I am in favor of San Francisco because I believe the majority of the people of the State of Maine are in favor of that city. I believe the beautiful city of San Francisco, that has already raised eighteen millions of money on her own volition for this great exposition, should be considered. Of course I have nothing to say against New Orleans, but it is a fact that she is not able to and has not raised a sufficient amount of money for that exposition, and expects to call upon the general government; San Francisco does not. She says she will take care of it herself.

Now in the State of Maine there is hardly a district in any town but has friends in California, and if they go out there, why, they are interested to see their friends. Few from Maine

would go to New Orleans. We have no particular attraction for alligators or malaria, which would be in evidence in New Orleans. To put the exposition down there in that city, where in the hot season it is almost impossible for one to live, when we have the beautiful sanitary conditions of San Francisco, the city that after her great disaster of a few years ago, has recuperated so rapidly, with her beautiful scenery and her great climate—it seems to me fitting that the State of Maine should exercise some preference as to where this exposition should be held. I insist upon my motion.

The question being upon the motion of Mr. Milliken of Aroostook, to recede and concur with the House, Mr. Staples moved that the yeas and nays be taken, and the same were ordered. Those voting yea were: Messrs. Boynton, Farrington, Foss of Androscoggin, Fulton, Kellogg, Leach, Mayo, Milliken Theriault. (9). Those voting nay were: Messrs. Allan, Blanchard, Dodge, Foss of Cumberland, Gowell, Hill, Irving, Moulton Noyes Osborn, Sanborn, Smith, Staples, Stearns, Winslow. (15). Absentees, Chandler, Donigan, Edwards, Hamilton, Pendleton. (6).

So the motion was lost.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Staples of Knox, to insist and ask for a committee of conference.

The motion was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Mayo of Hancock, Senate Document No. 46, "An Act to repeal so much of Sections 1 and 2 of Chapter 157 of the Public Laws of 1907 as requires and authorizes the holding of the term of the Supreme Judicial Court at Dover in the county of Piscataquis on the first Tuesday of May in each year," was taken from the table.

On further motion by the same Senator the bill was referred to the committee on Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Gowell of Penobscot, Senate Document, No. 33, "An Act to amend Section 4, Chapter 102, of the Public Laws of 1905, relating to the Penobscot Tribe of Indians."

Also, Senate Document, No. 34, "Re-

solve in favor of Lola Coly, Representative of Penobscot Tribe of Indians for 1911 and 1912."

Also, Senate Document No. 35, "Resolve in favor of the Penobscot Tribe of Indians," were taken from the table.

On further motion by the same Senator the bill and two resolves were referred to the committee on Indian Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Winslow of Cumberland, the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE.

Tuesday, Jan. 31, 1911.

Prayer by Rev. Father LaRiviere of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

Fill, An Act with reference to the Gardiner municipal court, came from the Senate referred in that branch to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs. On motion of Mr. Williamson of Augusta the bill was tabled for printing pending reference in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Michael Burns, came from the Senate that branch non-concurring with the House in its reference and referring it to the committee on claims.

The House receded and concurred with the Senate in its reference.

Senate Bills on First Reading.

Resolve in favor of a monument at Annapolis in memory of Commodore John Paul Jones.

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

Judiciary.

By Mr. Dunn of Brewer—An Act in favor of the Erewer Water Company.

By Mr. Kelleher of Portland—Resolve in favor of DeForest Keyes; (Tabled for printing pending reference on motion of Mr. Bogue of East Machias.)

Also, resolve in favor of Herbert L. Kimball.

By Mr. Austin of Phillips—An Act to amend Section 91 of Chapter 23 of

the Revised Statutes, relating to towns maintaining guide-posts.

Also, An Act to amend certain acts relating to the Phillips Village Corporation.

By Mr. Deering of Portland—Petition of Philip R. McKone of Portland and 17 others in favor of Columbus day being made a school holiday.

By Mr. Shea of Eden—Petition of Edward E. Brady of Ellsworth and 96 others in favor of the Columbus day bill.

By Mr. Goodwin of Biddeford—Petition of Rev. Herbert Frank Moulton and 10 others of Biddeford and Saco, in favor of the committee reported juvenile court bill.

By Mr. Greenwood of Farmington—An Act to change the corporate name of the Maine Association of Opticians.

By Mr. Pattangall of Waterville—An Act relating to the State paper.

By Mr. Murphy of Portland—Petition of William L. Valentine and 43 others in favor of Columbus day bill.

By Mr. Clark of Portland—Petition of Edward J. McLaughlin of Portland, and 43 others, in favor of Columbus day bill.

Also, petition of William L. Valentine of Portland, and 43 others, in favor of Columbus day bill.

By Mr. Manter of Parkman—An Act to incorporate the Sangerville Village Corporation.

By Mr. Cyr of Fort Kent—An Act to incorporate Fish River Light & Power Company. (Tabled for printing pending reference on motion of Mr. Cyr of Fort Kent.)

Legal Affairs.

Also, An Act amendatory of and additional to Chapter 55 of the Revised Statutes, relating to electric light and power companies.

By Mr. Greenwood of Farmington—An Act to legalize the present electrical system of the Franklin Power Company, and the Farmington Power Company.

By Mr. Tucker of Wiscasset—An Act to revise and amend the charter of the Wiscasset Water Company.

By Mr. Deering of Portland—A bill to amend Section 5 of Chapter 113, relating to conditional sales.

Also, An Act to amend Section 1