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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1913

SENATE.

Thursday, March 20, 1913.

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. Father Thomas J. Nelligan of Augusta.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

From the House: An Act to amend Section 71 of Chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes relating to contested elections.

In the House this bill was received under suspension of the rules.

In the Senate, unanimous consent was denied and the bill was referred to the next Legislature.

From the House: An Act to amend Chapter 165 of the Public Laws of 1905, so far as the same relates to the judge of probate of the county of Hancock.

An Act to amend Sections 1 and 4 of Chapter 117 of the Public Laws of 1905, so far as the same relates to the county commissioners of the county of Hancock.

An Act to amend Chapter 119 of the Public Laws of 1905, so far as the same relates to the county attorney of the county of Hancock.

An Act to amend Sections 1 and 6 of Chapter 174 of the Public Laws of 1905, so far as the same relates to sheriff of the county of Hancock.

An Act to amend Chapter 151 of the Public Laws of 1905, so far as the same relates to the county of Hancock.

An Act to amend Chapter 151 of the Public Laws of 1905, so far as the same relates to the county of Hancock.

An Act to amend Chapter 118 of the Public Laws of 1905, so far as the same relates to the clerk of courts of the county of Hancock.

These bills came from the House referred to the committee on salaries and fees.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair will state that in the consideration of the rule limiting the time for the reception of private and special Laws, it is always found that there are some matters which are actually public

matters, but technically come within the rule of private and special legislation. It is also found that there are some matters that are actually special matters, that are admissible under the rule.

The bills just read are private matters technically, but are admissible because they correct public laws. They come from the House to the committee on salaries and fees.

The bills were received and referred in concurrence.

Mr. HERSEY of Aroostook: Mr. President. I ask that the rules be suspended and that I be allowed to present at this time, out of order, the report of a committee.

There was no objection, and the senator presented the following report:

The committee of conference on the disagreeing action of the House and Senate on Senate Document 17, an Act to amend Chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the regulation and conduct of elections, known as the Massachusetts ballot law, report that they are unable to agree, and make no recommendation.

Mr. HERSEY: Mr. President, I wish to say a word to the Senate, something of which you are all aware, that the Massachusetts ballot law was passed in the Senate and went to the House, and was adopted by the House. On the next day on a reconsideration of that vote, the House reversed its action, so that the votes stand about alike.

The majority on the first day being for the passage of the bill, and the majority the next day was against it, and that gave no indication of the mind of the House upon the matter.

I have learned, however, that many members of the House voted under a misapprehension, and that they wish to change their vote and sustain the bill. They ought to have an opportunity to do that. On this disagreeing action there ought to be some method whereby the House can reconsider its action and show by a third ballot what they really believe. And so. Mr. President, I move that the Senate still insist and ask for another committee of conference.

Mr. MOREY of Androscoggin: Mr.

President, and gentlemen of the Senate: I do not know why another conference should be called for. This Senate early in the session refused to grant a committee of conference to the House on a proposal on their part. Later on, the Senate granted a committee of conference on the request of the House; and the House has granted committees of conference at the request of the Senate.

I understand there was a measure that came into the Legislature and the House refused to accept it. The Senate voted in favor of the passage of the bill. I refer to the moose law. Then this bill went back into the House and there the House was informed that they could not adhere to their former action but must grant a committee of conference. I think the record so shows.

Now this matter came up where a committee of conference had been asked for, and they report a disagreeing action. I do not see why it should be proper to grant a further committee. There would be no end to these matters if we do this.

The Senate has had upon its committee three of its ablest men and strongest supporters of that ballot law and the House has had three very strong men on that bill. It seems to me that we should accept the report of the committee that they disagree.

The PRESIDENT: The pending question is upon the motion of the senator from Aroostook that the Senate insist and ask for another committee of conference.

Mr. HERSEY: Mr. President, I understand that this is the only parliamentary method by which we can get the matter to the House and get their action upon it. I do not think we ought to attempt through any technicality at this time to foreclose the House.

Mr. MOREY: Mr. President, I do not think it is a question of foreclosure.

I think there are many members of the House against the matter who are now absent.

Mr. HERSEY: We will take our chances.

A viva voce vote was taken. The Chair being in doubt, a rising vote was had, and 29 senators voting in the af-

firmative and nine senators voting in the negative, the motion of the senator from Aroostook was adopted, and the Senate insisted and asked for another committee of conference.

The Chair appointed on the committee of conference on the part of the Senate; Messrs. Allen of Kennebec, Murphy of Cumberland and Walker of Somerset.

House Bills in First Reading.

An Act to amend An Act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Sewer District, as amended. (In the House the report of the committee on legal affairs, "ought not to pass" was accepted, and subsequently the bill was recommitted to the committee on legal affairs. In the Senate the bill was recommitted to the committee in concurrence.)

An Act to amend Section 34 of Chapter 87 of the Laws of 1911, relating to employment agencies. (In the House, after the report of the committee on judiciary, "ought to pass" had been accepted, the bill was indefinitely postponed. On motion by Mr. Bailey of Penobscot, the bill and report were tabled pending action in concurrence.)

An Act to regulate the practice of professional public accounting. (On motion by Mr. Murphy of Cumberland, the bill was tabled pending first reading, and next Thursday assigned for its consideration.)

An Act to repeal Chapter 64 of the Public Laws of 1909 and requiring mufflers upon motor boats.

An Act to amend Section 14 of Chapter 123 of the Revised Statutes, relating to malicious mischief and trespasses on property.

An Act to regulate and establish mileage rates for the conveyance of passengers over the steam railroads within the State. (House Amendment A adopted in concurrence.)

An Act relative to weights and measures.

Resolve in favor of Lizzie Bean.

An Act relating to the inspection of hotels, inns and lodging houses. (In the House after the report of the committee had been accepted and the bill had been read once, it was in-

definitely postponed. On motion by Mr. Moulton of Cumberland, pending action in concurrence, the bill and report were tabled.)

An Act to amend Section 97 of Chapter 15 of the Revised Statutes as amended relating to the appropriation for the schooling of children in unorganized townships.

An Act to amend Section 26 of Chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes, in relation to the taking of land by railroad companies.

An Act to incorporate the Farmington-Oakland Interurban Railway.

An Act to amend Section 44 of Chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter 20, 30 and 90 of the Public Laws of 1905, as further amended by Chapters 12, 35, 123 and 136 of the Public Laws of 1907, as further amended by Chapter 165 of the Public Laws of 1909 and as affected by Chapter 90 of the Public Laws of 1911, relating to the taking of smelts.

An Act relating to the insurance of property owned by the State.

An Act relating to mutual fire companies transacting factory and mill insurance only.

An Act to amend Section 36 of Chapter 15 of the Revised Statutes as amended in relation to the accurate keeping of school records and accounts.

An Act to incorporate Readfield Chamber of Commerce.

An Act to amend Chapter 66 of the Private and Special Laws of 1881, being an Act to incorporate the Island Cottage Company.

An Act to authorize the Auburn Water Commissioners to sell certain of their property.

An Act relating to Fort Kent Water Company, extending its charter.

An Act to amend Chapter 131 of the Public Laws of 1911 relating to taxing insurance in companies not authorized to do business in Maine.

Resolve in favor of screening Gardner's lake, so-called, situated in Washington county.

Resolve providing for the screening of Shiloh pond in Franklin county.

Resolve in favor of screening Squav

Pond lake, so-called, in Aroostook county.

Resolution memorializing the Maine Congressional Delegation to favor legislation for the destruction of fish of the shark species, especially the Dogfish.

Resolve in favor of aid in constructing a bridge in the Town of Milo.

From the House: House Document 461, An Act to amend and extend the charter of the Brewer Water Company.

In the Senate this bill was passed to be engrossed, March 14. In the House, House Amendment A was adopted, and the bill, as amended, passed to be engrossed.

The vote whereby this bill was passed to be engrossed in the Senate, March 14, was reconsidered.

House Amendment A was adopted in concurrence, and the bill as amended was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

From the House: Majority and minority reports of the committee on legal affairs on Resolve to change the date of State election from September to November, majority report "ought not to pass," minority report "ought to pass."

In the Senate the majority report, "ought not to pass," was accepted.

In the House, the minority report was accepted, the bill read twice and passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Bailey of Penobscot, the Senate voted to adhere to its former action.

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

Judiciary.

By Mr. Wing of Franklin: An Act to amend Chapter 5 of the Revised Statutes, relating to registration of voters. (On motion by Mr. Flaherty of Cumberland, tabled for printing pending reference.)

Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

By Mr. Emery of York: Resolve authorizing the State treasurer and State auditor to ascertain and adjust the account in the State treasurer's office.

By Mr. Murphy of Cumberland: Resolve in favor of the clerk of the committee on mercantile affairs and insurance.

By Mr. Dutton of Kennebec. Resolve in favor of Marion B. Holway, stenographer to the recording officer of the Senate.

Placed on File.

By Mr. Boynton of Lincoln: Remonstrance of Frank M. Dodge of Edgcomb and 20 others against Senate bill distributing State school funds according to the aggregate attendance in all schools.

By Mr. Clark of York: An Act to regulate the construction of lobster traps.

Senate Bills in First Reading.

An Act to authorize the Bangor Railway & Electric & Railway Company to take water from Chemo lake and its tributaries.

An Act providing for a license for residents of the State to hunt on the wild lands of the State.

Mr. Hersey from the committee on judiciary, on bill An Act to amend Paragraph 93 of Chapter 83 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the times in which actions shall be brought, reported same "ought not to pass."

Mr. Bailey from the committee on legal affairs, on Resolve granting permission to William H. Powell and Frederick W. Knowlton to sue the State of Maine, which was re-committed to the committee, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient as it is covered by other legislation.

Mr. Moulton from the Committee on Agriculture, on Petitions of F. M. Dow and 41 others; Fred E. Eastman and 25 others; E. A. Cottle and 23 others; of E. Walker McKeene and 1 other; of J. S. Milliken and 3 others; of George W. Norton and 4 others; of E. E. Giles and 4 others; of Charles M. Hammond and 3 others; of L. T. Sorey and 17 others; of Charles H. Dearborn and 11 others; of A. M. Riley and 11 others, praying that resolve in favor of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Women's College, reported same be placed on file.

Mr. Chase from the Committee on Agriculture on Resolution of Golden Sheaf Grange of Sherman, praying for

the enactment of bill establishing Experimental Seed Farm in Aroostook county, reported same be placed on file.

Mr. Chase from the same Committee on Remonstrance of F. A. Marden and 22 others of Vassalboro and W. F. Shibles and 25 others praying that no change be made in the law relating to the packing of apples, reported same be placed on file.

Mr. Conant from the same Committee on Petitions of C. M. White and 12 others; of R. Allen and 25 others; of Charles S. Pope and 8 others; of John M. Deering and 125 others; of Owen Smith and 7 others praying that a bill in favor of experiments in animal husbandry, reported same be placed on file.

Mr. Allen from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, on Petition of John B. Sterling and 21 others relating to fishing in Crocker Pond, Somerset county, reported same be placed on file.

Mr. Allen from the same Committee, on bill an Act to prevent the pollution of the waters of the State, reported same be placed on file.

The reports were accepted.

Majority report from the Committee on Legal Affairs on bill an Act prohibiting marriages in certain cases, reported same in a new draft under the same title and that it "ought to pass."

(Signed)

BAILEY,
WHEELER,
COLE,
PEAKS,
PEACOCK.

Minority report from the same Committee on the same bill that the same "ought not to pass."

(Signed)

CONNORS,
THOMBS,
ROUSSEAU.

Mr. BAILEY of Penobscot: Mr. President, I move that pending acceptance of either report, the consideration of same be postponed until next Thursday morning, and that the new draft be printed.

The motion was agreed to.

Majority report from the committee on Legal Affairs, on bill, An Act to abolish the Belfast Municipal

Court, and to establish a Police Court for the City of Belfast, reported that the same "ought to pass."

(Signed)

BAILEY,
THOMBS,
COLE,
PEACOCK.

Minority report of the same committee on the same bill, that the same "ought not to pass."

(Signed)

CONNORS,
WHEELER,
ROUSSEAU.

Mr. BAILEY of Penobscot: Mr. President, I move that pending acceptance of either report, same be tabled and assigned for consideration, next Tuesday, and that the bill be printed.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. CONANT from the Committee on Agriculture, on bill, An Act to provide for the conducting of investigations in animal husbandry by the Maine Agricultural Experimental Station, reported same "ought to pass." (This being a printed bill was given its first reading.)

Mr. ALLEN from the Committee on State School for Boys and Industrial School for Girls, on Resolve in favor of the Industrial School for Girls at Hallowell for Medical Examination and treatment with supplies, reported same "ought to pass."

The report was accepted and the resolve tabled for printing under the joint rules.

Passed to Be Engrossed.

An Act to change the name of the town of Eden to the town of Bar Harbor.

An Act to amend Chapter 7 of the Private and Special Laws of 1836 in relation to Mt. Desert bridge.

An Act prohibiting certain forms of prostitution and for the competency of certain evidence at the trial hereof.

An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 41 of the Public Laws of 1903 relating to the duties of the Commissioner of Sea and Shore Fisheries.

An Act to amend Chapter 151 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887 entitled "An Act to create the Roman Catholic Bishop of Portland and his

successors, a Corporation Sole, as amended by Chapter 47 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891.

An Act to amend Sections 1, 2, 6, 10, 11 and 12 of an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Madison Water Company."

An Act to incorporate the Stockholm Water Company.

An Act to enlarge the powers and amend the charter of the Scarborough Water Company.

An Act to amend Section 102 of Chapter 15 of the Revised Statutes relating to the preparation of blank forms by the State Superintendent of Public Schools.

An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 93 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter 86 of the Public Laws of 1911, relating to the recording of Personal Property mortgages and sales.

An Act to incorporate the Interurban Ferry Company. (On motion by Mr. Murphy of Cumberland, tabled pending second reading.)

An Act additional to Chapter 28 of the Revised Statutes for the prevention of false fire alarms.

An Act to amend Chapter 393 of the Private and Special Laws of 1909 relating to the Millinocket Municipal Court.

Resolve in favor of building a feeding pond at the Knox County Hatchery at Camden.

Resolve in favor of paying certain bills contracted for placing a rail in the rear of House of Representatives, and marking the members' desks.

An Act to amend Section 8 of Chapter 325 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897 entitled "An Act establishing a Municipal Court in the City of Waterville."

Resolve in favor of the Canaan Lake Fish Screen Association of Camden.

An Act to prevent usury by foreign corporations.

An Act limiting and defining the liabilities of keepers of hotels, inns and boarding houses.

An Act to incorporate the Bluehill Water Company.

An Act to incorporate the Kennebec Realty Company.

An Act to enable Old Orchard to assess taxes for street sprinkling. (On motion by Mr. Wing of Franklin, tabled pending second reading.)

An Act to amend Section 70 of Chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter 186 of the Public Laws of 1909, relating to the collection of inheritance taxes.

An Act relating to special insurance brokers.

An Act to incorporate the Winthrop Water District.

An Act to prevent the use of the name of the State by private or semi-public corporations or associations.

An Act to register the sale of firearms by dealers.

An Act in relation to islands belonging to the State.

An Act to supply the town of Winthrop with pure water.

An Act to incorporate the Sandy Stream Log Driving Company.

An Act to license stallions for public service.

Passed to Be Enacted.

An Act to ratify and confirm the organization of the Augusta Poultry Experiment Station and granting additional powers to said corporation.

An Act relative to sealing milk bottles and jars.

An Act to incorporate the Harrison Water Company.

An Act repealing Sections 3 and 4 of Chapter 300 of the Private and Special Laws of 1911, entitled "An Act granting H. L. Gooch the right to maintain a dam on the East Machias river."

An Act authorizing the towns of Rumford and Mexico in the county of Oxford to purchase the toll bridge between said towns erected and owned by the Mexico Bridge Company.

An Act to amend Chapter 173 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, relating to the Cornish Village Improvement Society and making valid the organization of said society incorporated under said chapter.

An Act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 188 of the Public Laws of 1907, as amended by Chapter 47 of the Public Laws of 1909, relating to assessment of taxes for street sprinkling.

An Act requiring the report to the State Board of Health of certain occupational

diseases due to poisoning or other causes.

An Act to extend the charter of the Lubec, East Machias and Machias Railway Company.

An Act to incorporate the Sullivan and Sorrento Electric Light and Power Company.

Finally Passed.

Resolve authorizing the State treasurer to procure a temporary loan for the year 1913.

Resolve in favor of the town of Forest City for aid in reconstructing bridge therein.

Resolve reimbursing the town of Hermon for money expended in support of a State pauper.

Resolve providing for aid in payment of premiums awarded by the Maine State Agricultural Society, and also repealing certain resolves in favor of said society.

Resolve authorizing the State treasurer to procure a temporary loan for the year 1914.

Resolve reimbursing the town of Milo for money expended for support of a certain State pauper.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair desires to request the chairmen of committees that so far as possible they will see that all matters are reported from their committees, this week, and to suggest to members of the Senate that matters now on the table be either taken off the table and disposed of or taken off the table and assigned, if possible.

Orders for the Day.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair invites the senator from Oxford, Senator Stearns, to take the Chair for the remainder of the session.

Senator Stearns in the Chair.

The Chair lays before the Senate for consideration the first matter specially assigned for today, An Act to provide for the care and treatment of tubercular patients, Senate Document No. 333, the pending question being the second reading of the bill.

Mr. Allen of Kennebec: Mr. President, by consent of the senator from Knox, I move that this bill be tabled and reassigned for consideration, next Tuesday.

The Chair lays before the Senate for consideration the second matter spe-

cially assigned for today, An Act relating to the increase of the capital stock of corporations organized under special acts or under general laws for the performance of a public duty, Senate Document No. 533, the pending question being the commitment to committee on bills in second reading.

On motion by Mr. Murphy of Cumberland, the bill was committed to committee on bills in second reading.

The Chair lays before the Senate for consideration the third matters specially assigned for today, An Act to authorize the city to Lewiston to issue its bonds to the amount of \$100,000 to pay its bonds now outstanding and maturing in the year 1913, Senate Document No. 531, the pending question being admission under suspension of rules.

Mr. BAILEY of Penobscot: Mr. President, without having taken some time to consider the matter, I think it requires no stretch of the imagination to see that while this bill perhaps technically is private, yet in its intent and purposes and scope it is really a public measure. It seems that the city of Lewiston has \$100,000 of bonds which mature in July and that they wish to refund those bonds and to issue them again. Now I can see very readily that if this is not done, why it will be a tremendous hardship, not to say anything about inconvenience, to the city of Lewiston. And I can also see that this is an emergency, and that the refusal to let this legislation in at this time may effect the health—because you have to have money to maintain your sanitary regulations—it may affect the peace—because you have to have money to pay your police officials—and the general welfare of the State. And therefore I move that the rules be suspended and that this bill be received at this time.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. BAILEY: Mr. President, I move that the bill be read through and given its first reading.

The motion was agreed to and the bill was given its first reading.

Mr. MOREY of Androscoggin: Unless there is some objection,—this does not contain the emergency clause,—I would move the suspension of the

rules and that the bill be given its second reading at this time.

The motion was agreed to and the bill was given its second reading, and was passed to be engrossed.

The Chair lays before the Senate for consideration, the fourth matter specially assigned for today, a Resolve for further public instruction in forestry, House Document No. 457, the pending question being the commitment to committee on bills in second reading.

Mr. BAILEY of Penobscot: Mr. President, I move that it be taken from the table and I yield the floor to the senator from Somerset, Senator Walker.

Mr. WALKER of Somerset: I yield to Senator Richardson.

Mr. RICHARDSON of Penobscot: Mr. President, I have just a few words to say on this measure. There seems to be some misapprehension as to the scope of the work and how it is conducted. It was begun in 1903 under a law passed by the Legislature of 1903-04. An appropriation of \$2500 was made at that time, and the work was started at the University of Maine. In the year 1904 there were four students took the course. The next year the number had increased to 12. The next year, 1906, 22 took the course; the next year 32; the next year 35. In 1909 there were 43 students took the course; in 1910, 39; in 1911, 35; in 1912, 40; and this present year there are 49.

Now, Mr. President, there has been no increase in the appropriation since the work was begun. This work is carried along under the superintendence of the Forest Commissioner of the State, the Superintendent of Public schools and the President of the University of Maine. It has been thought that this appropriation is for the University, but such is not the case. The University does nothing but give a class-room to the instructor, who is engaged and paid by the State, his salary and the expenses of the work being paid out from the State treasury.

This work has to do with the conservation of one of our natural resources, and its importance is fully realized by the timberland owners who

earnestly advocate an increase in the appropriation, and, Mr. President, I feel sure that the Senate will agree to that and permit a liberal increase in the appropriation for the coming year.

Mr. WALKER: Mr. President, I have an amendment to offer to House Document No. 457, which I understand is acceptable to the chairman of the committee of forest preservation, and is also acceptable to the chairman of that committee on the part of the House, and is further acceptable, the way I understand it, to the members of the Senate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER: The senator from Somerset, Senator Walker, offers the following amendment: "Senate Amendment A to House Document No. 457—amend said resolve by striking out the words "five thousand" in the first line thereof, and substituting the words "\$3500," also amend said resolve by striking out the words "\$5000" in the third line thereof and substituting therefor the words "\$3500;" also amend said resolve by striking out the words "and annually thereafter" in the fourth line thereof."

The amendment was adopted.

On further motion by the same senator, the bill as amended was committed to the committee on bills in second reading.

Mr. HASTINGS of Androscoggin: I move we reconsider the vote whereby Senate Document No. 270 was passed, and I offer in explanation this: Senate Document No. 270 is an act to repeal Chapter 315 of the Private and Special Laws of the year 1903, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Madunkeunk Dam and Improvement Company." Now this was referred to the committee on interior waters and a unanimous report was offered that the act ought to have a passage and it was ordered reported. As it was a House bill it was ordered reported by Mr. Cyr of the House. Now the clerk in making the proper arrangements necessary to submit it to the House adopted or used the "ought not to pass" blank instead of the "ought to pass" blank. In other words, as the bill went through this body, it was really that

the charter ought not to be repealed, whereas the committee voted that it ought to be repealed. And for that reason I ask its recall, and a corrected report according to the facts.

The PRESIDING OFFICER: The senator from Androscoggin, Senator Hastings, moves that the rules be suspended and that the Senate reconsider the vote whereby the report of the committee on interior waters was accepted, the report being "ought not to pass."

Motion agreed to.

Mr. HASTINGS: Now, Mr. President, I move to have it referred back to the committee for the purpose of correcting it.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. MAXWELL of Sagadahoc: I move that we reconsider the vote whereby we passed to be engrossed the bill pertaining to the mileage.

The PRESIDING OFFICER: The senator from Sagadahoc, Senator Maxwell, moves that the Senate reconsider the vote whereby it passed to be engrossed An Act to regulate and establish mileage rates for the conveyance of passengers over the steam railroads within the State.

The motion was agreed to.

On further motion by the same senator the bill was tabled and assigned for Tuesday of next week.

Mr. COLBY of Somerset: I move that we take from the table two matters which were tabled by me, which it seems wise to consider together, An Act to permit the town of Pittsfield to obtain a pure water supply, and An Act to incorporate the Pittsfield Water District.

Mr. President, in a word of explanation I wish to say to the senators that these two bills were presented in the House by Representative Smith of Pittsfield, I think on February 6th. It was after the time of the admission of private bills. They were received by him about five o'clock the night of February 5th. While they are strictly, perhaps, private bills, they seem

in a way to be public bills. It pertains to their water supply. They were accepted by the House and came in here, and of course with the action the Senate had been taking we were not supposed to admit them, and I laid them on the table.

Now the reason for my asking that we shall concur with the House is this, that the water supply of the village of Pittsfield has been condemned by the State Board of Health, and it seems to the two senators from Somerset and to some of the other senators that this might be a clear matter to be let in.

I will read just a little from two letters from the State Board of Health. In a letter to the Pittsfield Water Company, dated January 20th, is this paragraph: "A sample from your public supply is in very poor condition. Both chemically and bacterially it shows evidence of contact with sewage wastes. Intestinal bacteria were present in 1-30 of an ounce of the water. In its present condition this water cannot be considered safe to use for drinking unless it be first boiled."

In another letter to the Pittsfield Water Company, dated March 7th, they say: "I enclose the results of the analysis of the sample of water from your public supply, sent to me on the 13th inst. The analysis shows the water to be in the poorest condition in which I have yet found it. The analysis shows evidence of contact of the water with a large amount of sewage waste. This is shown by both the chemical and bacterial analyses; but especially by the latter, which shows intestinal bacteria to be present in as little as 1-300 of an ounce."

Mr. President, I move that the rules be suspended and that we admit these two bills in concurrence with the House

The PRESIDING OFFICER: The bill to permit the town of Pittsfield to obtain a pure water supply was introduced into the House under suspension of the rules and referred to the committee on judiciary, and was sent up for concurrence. The Senate refus-

ed unanimous consent to the reception of this bill at that time and referred it to the next Legislature in non-concurrence. The House insisted upon its former action and asked for a committee of conference.

The Senator from Somerset moves that the Senate recede and concur with the House in the reception of this bill.

The motion was agreed to.

An Act to incorporate the Pittsfield Water District.

The same action was taken upon this bill as in the preceding bill.

Mr. ALLEN of Kennebec: I move that these bills be tabled for printing, pending reference to the committee on judiciary in concurrence.

The motion was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. Murphy of Cumberland, Resolve in favor of the Commissioners of Pharmacy, Senate Document No. 551, was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same senator this resolve was referred to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs.

Mr. WING of Franklin: I move to take from the table An Act to establish a State game farm for the purpose of propagating useful game and other birds, game and fur-bearing animals, and to supply forest tree seedlings.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. WING: This act provides for a hunter's license, and a similar bill has already been reported by the committee on inland fisheries and game and is now pending before the Legislature, and for that reason I move that this act be referred to the next Legislature.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. COLE of York: Mr. President, I move that we reconsider the vote whereby this bill was referred to the next Legislature.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. COLE: Mr. President, I move that the matter be indefinitely postponed. It seems to me a good deal better to indefinitely postpone this matter than to lumber up the records by

a lot of stuff referred to the next Legislature, and then have it happen, as happened to this Legislature when it convened, that a lot of stuff would be put upon the table which was immediately cast aside for something else that was introduced to take the place of it.

It seems to me that this Legislature

ought to clear its docket. For this reason I move that it be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. WING: I second the motion of the senator from York.

The motion was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. Milliken of Aroostook,

Adjourned until tomorrow morning, at 9.30 o'clock.