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### HOUSE.

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Tuesday, March 6, 1917.

The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Walsh of Augusta.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

From the Senate: Communication from W. E. Lawry, secretary of the Senate.

In the Senate, March 2, 1917.

“To the Clerk of the House:

Notice is hereby given that on Resolve in favor of the town of Solon, in the county of Somerset, for the repair of highway over Robin's Hill, in said town, the Senate insists on its former action.

Respectfully yours,

W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.”

Mr. SAWYER of Madison: Mr. Speaker, I would ask that a committee of conference be appointed on this Solon resolve.

The SPEAKER: The Chair would inform the gentleman that the only question before the House is on the acceptance of the communication to be placed on file, so far as this communication is concerned.

On motion by Mr. Murray of Bangor, the House voted to accept the communication and that it be placed on file.

From the Senate: Communication from W. E. Lawry, secretary of the Senate.

In the Senate, March 2, 1917.

“To the Clerk of the House:

Notice is hereby given that on An Act to establish the wages of clerks in the office of the Aroostook registry of deeds, southern district, and clerk of courts of Aroostook county, and to secure to such clerk of courts reimbursement for necessary expenses in attendance at the terms of the supreme judicial court held at Caribou, House

Bill 318, the Senate insists on its former action and joins as a committee of conference on the part of the Senate Senators Marshall of Cumberland, Conant of Waldo and Grant of Cumberland.

Respectfully yours,

W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.”

On motion by Mr. Barnes of Houlton, the House voted to accept the communication as read.

From the Senate: Joint resolution of the Legislature of Maine providing for rescinding the action of the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House in signing enacted Senate Bill No. 137, entitled An Act making it unlawful to give checks or drafts on banks where the party has not sufficient funds or credit to pay the same and providing a penalty therefor, came from the Senate read and passed.

On motion by Mr. Holley of Anson, the resolution was given a passage in concurrence.

From the Senate: An Act to permit savings banks to invest in certain railroad bonds. Came from the Senate recommended to the committee on banks and banking.

On motion by Mr. Murray of Bangor, the House voted to concur with the Senate in the above recommitment.

From the Senate: An Act to define and amend the laws in regard to tuition. Came from the Senate recommended to the committee on education.

On motion by Mr. Brewster of Portland, the House voted to concur with the Senate in the above recommitment.

From the Senate: Senate report of the committee on legal affairs on bill, An Act to legalize and make valid the doings of the municipal officers of Vinalhaven in laying out a way over the tide waters across Indian Creek in said Vinalhaven, and authorizing the construction of a suitable bridge across the same, reporting “ought to pass” in new draft under same title.

Came from the Senate, report read and accepted.

The bill was read once in the Senate, and then Senate Amendment A was adopted and the bill passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate Amendment A as follows:

“Senate Amendment A to Senate Bill No. 242.

“Amend said bill by adding thereto the following section:

“Section 2. In view of the emergency set forth herein this act shall take effect when approved.”

In the Senate read and adopted.

On motion by Mr. Russell of Farmington the amendment was adopted in concurrence and the bill given its two readings.

#### Senate Bills on First Reading.

Senate 234. An Act to amend Section 39 of Chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the crossing of railroad tracks by townways and highways.

Senate 235. An Act to amend Section 31 of Chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes, relating to highway crossings of railroads.

The following bills, resolves and petitions were presented and, on recommendation of the committee on reference of bills, were referred to the following committees:

#### Agriculture.

By Mr. Hall of Wilton: An Act to amend Paragraph 6, Section 6, Chapter 10, and Section 16, Chapter 9, of the Revised Statutes, relating to the exemption of live stock from taxation. (500 copies ordered printed.)

By the same gentleman: An Act repealing Paragraph 6, Section 6, Chapter 10, of the Revised Statutes, relating to the exemption of certain live stock from taxation.

#### Education

By Mr. Averill of Prentiss: Resolution and petition of Twilight Grange, in the town of Corinna, asking for the passage of an act to provide for the distribution of State school funds on a basis of aggregate attendance; also resolution and petition of Eastern Star Grange, in the town of Hampden, asking for same; also

resolution and petition of Escutarstis Grange No. 231, in the town of Lowell, asking for same; also resolutions from Minerva Grange, in the town of Levant, asking for same; also resolutions and petition of Pleasant Lake Grange, in the town of Stetson, asking for same; also resolutions and petition of Olamon Grange, in the town of Greenbush, asking for same; also resolutions of Old Town Grange, in the city of Old Town, asking for same; also resolutions and petition of Seabastcook Grange, in the town of Newport, asking for same; also resolutions and petition of Mystic Tie Grange, in the town of Kenduskeag, asking for same; also resolutions and petition of Patten Grange, in the town of Patten, asking for same; also resolutions and petition of Union Grange, in the town of Hermon, asking for same; also petition of East Eddington Grange, in the town of East Eddington, asking for same; also petition of Forest Grange, in the town of Lee, asking for same; also resolutions and petition of Pleiades Grange No. 355, in the town of Glenburn, asking for same.

By Mr. Clifford of Reed Plantation: Resolutions and petition of Golden Sheaf Grange, in the town of Sherman, asking for same; also resolutions of Aroostook County Pomona Grange asking for same; also resolutions of Caribou Grange, in the town of Caribou, asking for same; also resolutions and petition of Littleton Grange, in the town of Littleton, asking for same; also resolutions and petition of Aroostook Union Grange, in the town of Presque Isle, asking for same; also resolutions and petition of Island Falls Grange, in the town of Island Falls, asking for same.

By Mr. Boman of Vinalhaven: Resolutions and petition of Seven Tree Grange, in the town of Union, asking for same; also resolutions of Knox County Pomona Grange, in the county of Knox, asking for same.

By Mr. Alden of Gorham: Resolutions and petition of Casco Grange, in the town of Casco, asking for same.

By Mr. Boman of Vinalhaven: Resolutions and petition of Megunticook Grange, in the town of Camden, asking for same.

By Mr. Alden of Gorham: Resolutions and petition of Westcuskiago Grange, in the town of North Yarmouth, asking for same; also petition of Crooked River Grange, in the town of Harrison, asking for same; also resolutions of Highland Grange, in the town of Bridgton, asking for same; also resolutions and petition of Presumpscot Grange, in the city of Portland, asking for same; also petition of Gorham Grange, in the town of Gorham, asking for same.

By Mr. Purington of Mechanic Falls: Resolutions and petition of Auburn Grange, in the city of Auburn, asking for same; also resolutions of Grange No. 4, of Hebron, Maine, asking for same.

#### Inland Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Holbrook of Brooks: Petition of A. R. Pilley and 36 others of Brooks favoring the repeal of the Sunday hunting law.

By Mr. Cummings of Hebron: Remonstrance of E. H. Stover and 66 others, protesting against the passage of House Document No. 44, being "An Act to Repeal Section 73 of Chapter 33 of the Revised Statutes, relating to Sunday being a closed season for hunting game or birds"; also remonstrance of Thomas M. Griffiths and 28 others, against same.

By Mr. Purington of Mechanic Falls: Remonstrance of Rev. H. N. Purington and 68 others of Mechanic Falls, against same.

#### Judiciary

By Mr. Cole of Elliot: An Act to abolish the municipal and police courts of the State and to establish inferior courts in their place with uniformity of terms, jurisdiction and terms of office. (2000 copies ordered printed).

By Mr. Barnes of Houlton: An Act to amend Section 5, Chapter 117, Revised Statutes, relating to the expenses of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court. (500 copies ordered printed).

By Mr. Barnes of Houlton: An Act to appropriate moneys received by the Treasurer of State and credited by him to the Public Administrator's Fund.

By Mr. Barnes of Houlton: An Act to fix the price of Maine Reports.

#### Legal Affairs

By Mr. Brewster of Portland: An Act amending Section 14 of Chapter 65 of the Revised Statutes in relation to the custody of minor children at the time of decreeing a divorce. (500 copies ordered printed).

By Mr. Brewster of Portland: An Act additional to Chapter 5 of the Revised Statutes imposing an added duty on Boards of Registration and municipal officers acting as Board of Registration. (500 copies ordered printed).

(On motion by Mr. Brewster of Portland, the above bill was withdrawn).

#### Sea and Shore Fisheries

By Mr. Harmon of Stonington: Remonstrance of John S. Pickering and 34 others of Deer Isle against any change in the present measurement of lobsters.

#### Taxation

By Mr. Barnes of Houlton: An Act relating to the taxation of savings deposits in national banks. (500 copies ordered printed).

#### Reports of Committees

Mr. Averill, from the committee on agriculture, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend Chapter 35 of the Revised Statutes of 1916, relative to the Live Stock Sanitary Commissioner"; (The rules were suspended and the bill given its two several readings.)

Same gentlemen, from same committee, on bill "An Act to amend Section eight of Chapter forty-eight of the Revised Statutes of 1916, relating to local sealers of Weights and Measures," reported the same in a new draft, under same title, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Neilon, from the committee on claims, reported "ought to pass" on Resolve, reimbursing the city of Auburn for money expended for the support of certain State paupers.

Same gentleman, from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on Resolve reimbursing the Town of Wilton for Money Expended for the Support of Certain State Paupers.

Mr. Packard of Newburgh, from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on Resolve in favor of the town of Chester.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on Resolve in favor of Joseph H. Underwood of Fayette to reimburse him for money paid out for testing of his cattle in 1915 after the Sanitary Commissioner of Maine had refused and neglected to act as required by law; reported same in a new draft, under same title, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Washburn, from the committee on education, on

Resolve in favor of Hartland Academy for repairs and equipment;

Resolve in favor of Erskine Academy situated in the town of China, Me., in the county of Kennebec;

Resolve in favor of the trustees of Freedom Academy;

Resolve in favor of Monmouth Academy for repairing and remodeling its main building;

Resolve in favor of Lee Academy for the payment of instructors;

Resolve in favor of Eastern Maine Institute for finishing and equipping its school building;

Resolve in favor of Eastern Maine Institute;

Resolve in favor of St. Joseph's Academy of Portland;

Resolve in favor of Van Buren college for maintenance and the purchase of equipment;

Resolve in favor of Ricker Classical Institute for the repair and improvement of buildings;

Resolve in favor of the trustees of North Yarmouth Academy and statement of facts;

Resolve in favor of Limington Academy for aid in the maintenance thereof;

Resolve in favor of Gould's Academy at Bethel, Oxford county;

Resolve in favor of Litchfield Academy;

Resolve in favor of Limerick Academy, with statement of facts;

Resolve in favor of the Nasson Institute for the maintenance and extension of its work and for additional equipment;

Resolve in favor of Westbrook Seminary for the payment of debt and furnishings of Hersey hall;

Resolve in favor of Higgins Classical Institute, Charleston, Maine;

Reported same in a new draft, under title of Resolve in favor of several academies, institutes, seminaries and colleges for maintenance and for repairs and improvements and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Snow, from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on Resolve in favor of the town of Washburn, Aroostook county.

Mr. Boman of Vinalhaven from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend Section 110 of Chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes relating to teachers' associations."

Same gentleman, from same committee "ought to pass" on bill, An Act to amend Section 39, Chapter 30, Revised Statutes of 1916, relating to the inspection of safeguards and repairs by town officers and fire engineers. (The rules were suspended and the bill given its two several readings.)

Same gentleman, from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill, An Act to insure the purity of elections. (The rules were suspended and the bill given its two several readings.)

Mr. Baxter, from same committee, on bill, An Act relating to the May term of the supreme judicial court in the county of Oxford, reported same in a new draft, under same title and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Barnes, from same committee, on bill, "An Act to enable the town of Presque Isle to assume the obligations of the Presque Isle village fire department arising out of a contract with the Presque Isle Water Company," reported same in a new draft, under same title, and that it ought to pass.

Same gentleman, from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on Resolve in favor of Ida E. Heath of Chelsea, Maine.

Mr. Anderson, from the committee on legal affairs, on Resolve proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Maine authorizing the Legislature to divide towns into voting districts for purposes of holding elections, reported the same in a new draft, under title of Resolve proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Maine empowering the Legislature to authorize

towns to divide into voting districts for the purposes of holding elections, and that it ought to pass.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on bill "An Act to extend the charter of the town of Southport to enable it to obtain a supply of pure water," reported same in a new draft under title of "An Act to permit the town of Southport to obtain a supply of pure water," and that it ought to pass.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on bill "An Act to amend Paragraph 7, Section 98, Chapter 4, Revised Statutes, relative to by-laws of towns, cities and villages," reported same in a new draft, under title of "An Act to amend Paragraphs 6 and 7, Section 98, Chapter 4, Revised Statutes, relative to by-laws of towns, cities and villages," and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Chaplain, from same committee, on bill "An Act to provide for the registration and licensing of dogs on the Indian reservation of the Penobscot Tribe of Indians," reported same in a new draft, under same title, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Conary, from same committee, on bill "An Act to amend Section 12 of Chapter 43 of the Private and Special Laws, 1899, entitled "An Act to establish the Rumford Falls municipal court," reported same in a new draft, under same title, and that it ought to pass.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on bill "An Act to amend Section 100 of Chapter 52 of the Revised Statutes, relating to loan and building associations," reported same in a new draft, under same title, and that it ought to pass.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on bill "An Act to protect the rights of certain members of the Penobscot Tribe of Indians owning land on Old Town Indian Island No. 1 and Island No. 12, commonly called Orson island in Penobscot river," reported same in a new draft, under same title, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Barnes, from the committee on military affairs, on Resolve in favor of an appropriation to purchase steel lockers for National Guard armories, reported

same in a new draft, under same title, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Berry, from same committee, on Resolve authorizing the Governor and Council to accept picture or oil painting of General Charles W. Tilden, to hang in the rotunda of the State House, reported same in a new draft, under same title, and that it ought to pass.

Same gentleman, from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on Resolve in favor of an appropriation for necessary repairs on the State armory at Portland.

Same gentleman, from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill, An Act relating to the decoration of veterans (soldiers and sailors) graves.

Mr. Holt of Skowhegan, from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on Resolve in favor of an appropriation to complete the historical record of Maine men serving in the United States navy during the war for the suppression of the Rebellion, 1861-1865.

Mr. Coffin, from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill, An Act to amend Sections 51 and 52 of Chapter 4 of the Revised Statutes relating to the payment by the State of the burial expenses of honorably discharged soldiers and sailors.

Mr. Cushman, from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on Resolve for extra pay to the Maine volunteers in the war with Spain.

Mr. Merrill, from the committee on public utilities, reported "ought to pass" on bill, An Act additional to Chapter 82 of the Private and Special Laws of 1903, entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Gardiner Water District." (The rules were suspended and the bill given its two several readings.)

Mr. Allan, from same committee, on bill, An Act to extend the charter of the Penobscot Valley Gas Company, reported same in a new draft, under same title and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Holbrook, from the committee on railroads and expresses, reported "ought to pass" on bill, An Act to authorize the Sandy River & Rangeley Lakes Railroad to extend its line from

Carrabasset to Hurricane Falls and to discontinue its present road from Carrabasset to Bigelow.

Mr. Goldthwait, from the committee on sea and shore fisheries, reported "ought to pass" on bill, An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 177 of the special laws of 1899 relating to the destruction of smelts in Saco river. (The rules were suspended and the bill given its two several readings.)

Same gentleman, from same committee, on Resolve to provide for a survey by the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries of areas suitable for the propagation of clams, reported same in a new draft, under same title, and that it ought to pass.

The reports were accepted and the several bills and resolves ordered printed under the joint rules.

Mr. Brewster from the committee on education, on bill, "An Act to establish a normal school at Dexter in the County of Penobscot," reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. Washburn, from the same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on Resolve in favor of Lee Academy for Liquidation of Certain Indebtedness.

Mr. Neilon, from the committee on claims, reported same on Resolve in favor of the town of Bristol, to reimburse said town for bills paid on account of George Huey.

Mr. Holt of Skowhegan, from same committee, reported same on Resolve in favor of Thomas Michaud, praying that the Land Agent and Governor and Council investigate the Claims of Thomas Michaud of Wallagrass for refund of stumpage money.

Mr. Anderson, from the committee on legal affairs, on bill, An Act to amend Paragraph 6, Section 98 of Chapter 4, of the Revised Statutes of 1916, relative to by-laws of towns, cities and villages, reported "ought not to pass" because the subject matter is covered in another act under the title of "An Act to amend Paragraphs 6 and 7, Sec. 98, Chap. 4, R. S., relative to the by-laws of towns, cities and villages.

Mr. Babb, from the committee on inland fisheries and game, on Petition

of J. E. Teague and 35 others, residents of Turner, Androscoggin county, relating to ice fishing in Pleasant Pond, in Turner, Androscoggin county, reported that the subject matter in a new draft, (permitting ice fishing therein in accordance with the general law) will be incorporated in the Revised Code of Inland Fish and Game Laws which will be reported later.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on Petition of Fred H. Lewis and 15 others of China, in favor of closing to ice fishing China lake and its tributaries, in the towns of China and Vassalboro, and Mud Pond, in the towns of China and Albion, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on Petition of J. S. Williams and 30 others, asking that Moose river waters be opened to cusk fishing with set lines in the night time only, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, as the subject matter, in a new draft, will be incorporated in the Revised Code of Inland Fish and Game Laws which will be reported later.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on bill "An Act to amend Section 26 of Chapter 33 of the Revised Statutes of 1916 relating to cusk fishing through the ice, with petitions for same," report that the same be placed on file, as the subject matter has been incorporated in the Revised Code of Inland Fish and Game Laws which will be reported later.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on bill "An Act to amend Section 58 of Chapter 33 of the Revised Statutes of 1916, relating to hunting sea fowl in motor boats," report that the same be placed on file, as the subject matter in a new draft (prohibiting the hunting of sea fowl in all tidal waters) will be incorporated in the Revised Code of Inland Fish and Game Laws, which will be reported later.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on Petition of F. N. Adams and 20 others, residents of Litchfield, Kennebec county and members of the Litchfield Fish and Game Association, for a law to close Cunningham brook, in said Litchfield, to all fishing, report that same be placed on file, as the subject matter will be incorporated in the Re-



vised Code of Inland Fish and Game Laws, which will be reported later.

Mr. Berry, from same committee, on petition of Charles H. Drummond and others, to close Wilson brook in the town of Winslow to fishing, reported that the same be placed on file, as the subject matter in a new draft will be incorporated in the Revised Code of Inland Fish and Game Laws, which will be reported later.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on bill "An Act to prohibit fishing in Young pond in Somerset county, except for fly fishing, for the period of four years," reported that the same be placed on file, as the subject matter will be incorporated in the Revised Code of Inland Fish and Game Laws, which will be reported later.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on petition of A. G. Pinkham and 93 others for amendment of law relative to catching of perch in Lake Cobbosseecontee, reported that the same be placed on file, as the subject matter will be incorporated in the Revised Code of Inland Fish and Game Laws to be reported later.

Same gentleman, from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to regulate fishing in Big Jim pond, in T. 1, R. 1, of Townships west of B. K. P., in Franklin county."

Same gentleman, from same committee, on bill "An Act to permit fishing in Little Indian pond in the town of Ripley, in the county of Somerset," reported that the subject matter in a new draft, (permitting ice fishing therein in accordance with the general law), will be incorporated in the Revised Code of Inland Fish and Game Laws, which will be reported later.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on bill "An Act to regulate cusk fishing in the waters in Somerset county," reported that the same be placed on file, as the subject matter in a new draft will be incorporated in the Revised Code of Inland Fish and Game Laws which will be reported later.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on bill "An Act to regulate fishing in certain waters of Somerset county," reported that the same be

placed on file, as the subject matter will be incorporated in the Revised Code of Inland Fish and Game Laws to be reported later.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on bill "An Act to regulate fishing in certain ponds and streams in Somerset county," reported that the same be placed on file, as the subject matter in a new draft, (permitting fly fishing only in Helen and O'Day ponds during the open season provided by the general law of the State, and closing King pond to all fishing), will be incorporated in the Revised Code of Inland Fish and Game Laws, which will be reported later.

Mr. Flint, from same committee, on petition of Fred L. Marshall and 14 others, residents of The Forks and vicinity, Somerset county, State of Maine, asking for the opening of Lake Moxie to ice fishing, two days each week, for citizens only, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on petitions of C. O. Page, C. L. Swift and others, praying that fishing through the ice one day in a week be allowed in Lake Messalonskee, in Kennebec county, report that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on petitions of Leslie Damren, John V. Burleigh, Thomas Page, George Perry, Chester W. Getchell, Geo. D. Pullen, F. H. Mace, H. McTaggart, and many others, asking that permission be given to fish through the ice in the Belgrade chain of lakes, report that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on petition of W. T. Pollard and 12 others, residents of Foxcroft and Dover, relating to additional restrictions on fishing in Garland pond, in Foxcroft and Sebec, report that the same be placed on file, as the subject matter will be incorporated in the Revised Code of Inland Fish and Game Laws which will be reported later.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on bill "An Act to amend Chapter 210 of the Public Laws of 1915, relative to ice fishing in Whetstone pond, in Piscataquis county," also pe-

tition of G. M. Fogg and others, of Piscataquis county, in favor of opening said pond to ice fishing, reported that the same be placed on file, as the subject matter will be incorporated in the Revised Code of Inland Fish and Game Laws which will be reported later.

Same gentleman, from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to repeal so much of Section 59 of Chapter 32 of the Revised Statutes of Maine, as amended by Chapter 206 of the Public Laws of 1913, as amended by Section 16 of Chapter 277 of the Public Laws of 1915, relating to traps and snares for fur-bearing animals," and petition accompanying same.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on petition of Bert Hunnewell, William M. Adams and 21 others, asking that Temple pond and Nichols pond, in the town of Moscow, in Somerset county, be closed to all fishing for a period of three years, reported that the petition be placed on file, as the subject matter is covered by another report of this committee.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on bill "An Act relating to fishing in certain waters in Somerset county," (Temple pond and the outlet of Nichols pond in Moscow), reported that the same be placed on file, as the subject matter will be incorporated in the Revised Code of Inland Fish and Game Laws, which will be reported later.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on bill "An Act to regulate ice fishing in Puffer pond, so-called, in the town of Dexter, in the county of Penobscot," with petitions of A. R. Page, M. S. Roberts and others, for same, report that the same be placed on file, as the subject matter in a new draft, (permitting ice fishing in said waters in accordance with the general law), will be incorporated in the Revised Code of Inland Fish and Game Laws, which will be reported later.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on petition of Forrest H. Colby and 27 others asking for a change of the law relating to fishing in Helen pond, Pierce pond, King pond and Pierce pond Outlet, reported that the

same be placed on file, as the subject matter is covered by other reports of this committee.

Mr. McNally, from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill, An Act to prohibit fishing in the outlet stream from Pierce pond, in Somerset county.

Same gentleman, from same committee, reported same on bill, An Act additional to Chapter 33 of the Revised Statutes, relating to fishing in Wesse-runsett lake in the town of Madison, in Somerset county.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on Petition of Wm. Adams of The Forks and 21 others, asking that a limit of five pounds of trout in any one day be placed on Penobscot lake and Charey pond, in Somerset county, reported that the same be placed on file as the subject matter is covered by another report from this committee.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on bill, An Act to regulate ice fishing in Long pond in Somerset county, with petition of the assessors of Long Pond plantation for same, reported that the same be placed on file, as the subject matter will be incorporated in the revised code of inland fish and game laws, which will be reported later.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on Petition of W. E. Fletcher and 23 others, to close the Seven Mile brook so-called, in the towns of Jay, Wilton, Dixfield and Carthage, to all fishing above the Leland Iron bridge, in the town of Jay, reported that the subject matter in a new draft, (closing the brook and tributaries above said bridge), will be incorporated in the revised code of inland fish and game laws, which will be reported later.

Mr. O'Connell, from same committee, on bill An Act to regulate fishing in Stetson pond, town of Stetson, Penobscot county, reported that the same be placed on file, as the subject matter will be incorporated in Revised Code of Inland Fish and Game Laws, which will be reported later.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on Petition of Charles Dausey

and eight others, residents of Penobscot and Piscataquis counties, asking for regulations upon fishing in Sourdunk lake, reported that the same be placed on file, as the subject matter will be incorporated in the Revised Code of Inland Fish and Game Laws, which will be reported later.

Same gentleman, from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill An Act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 33, of the Revised Statutes of 1916, relating to inland fisheries and game.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on Petition of L. B. Decker and 71 others, residents of Dexter and Ripley, asking for repeal of the law prohibiting ice fishing in the ponds, Half Moon pond in Ripley and Dexter, and Dexter and Ripley pond in Ripley, reported that the same be placed on file, as the subject matter is covered by other reports of this committee.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on bill An Act to amend Section 46 of Chapter 33, of the Revised Statutes of 1916, relating to the trapping of fur-bearing animals, with petition of M. C. Burbank and 55 others for same, reported that the same be placed on file, as the subject matter will be incorporated in the revised code of inland fish and game laws which will be reported later.

Mr. Stanley, from same committee, on Petition of George Nichols and 20 others requesting that the water from the mouth of Big Wood lake, in Jackman plantation, to Long pond, in Somerset county, be closed from August 1st to May 1st each year for a period of four years, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on Petition of H. F. Woodard and 37 others for a law permitting ice fishing in Little Purgatory pond in Litchfield, reported that the same be placed on file, as the subject matter in a new draft (opening Buker, Sand, Purgatory and Little Purgatory ponds to ice fishing under the general law) will be incorporated in the revised code of inland fish and game laws, which will be reported later.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on Petition of J. Waldo Nash and 41 others

in favor of opening the waters of Lake Pennesseewassee, in Norway, from a point about 200 feet below Crockett's bridge for ice fishing, reported that the same be placed on file, as the subject matter will be incorporated in the revised code of inland fish and game laws, which will be reported later.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on Petitions of Charles L. Harnden, Ernest C. Hinckley and 60 others, residents of Franklin county, asking that additional restrictions be placed on fishing in South Branch of Dead river, between outlet of Dead River pond and Buxton dam, Franklin county, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on bill "An Act additional to Chapter 33 of the R. S., as amended by Chapter 61 of the P. L. of 1915, relating to fishing in the tributaries to Lake Kezar and in the tributaries to Kezar river in the county of Oxford, reported that the same be placed on file, as the subject matter will be incorporated in the revised code of inland fish and game laws which will be reported later.

Mr. Webb, from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act creating close time for fishing in certain waters in Somerset county."

Same gentleman, from same committee, on Petition of G. L. Bickford and 16 others for the closing of Loon pond, in the town of Webster, to all fishing except Tuesdays and Fridays, of each week, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on bill "An Act to amend Section 79 of Chapter 33 of the Revised Statutes of 1916, relating to the use of firearms upon Megunticook lake and adjacent waters and tributaries thereof, in Knox and Waldo counties, and upon the shores thereof," reported that the same be placed on file, as the subject matter will be incorporated in the revised code of inland fish and game laws which will be reported later.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on Bill "An Act to amend Section 23 of Chapter 33 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the unlawful selling or purchas-

ing of fish," with petition of John A. Story and 43 others for the shipment of white perch from Grand lake waters, reported that the same be placed on file, as the subject matter will be incorporated in the Revised Code of Inland Fish and Game Laws, which will be reported later.

Same gentleman, from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act additional to Chapter 33 of the Revised Statutes of 1916, relating to fishing in Piper brook, in the towns of Kenduskeag and Levant, Penobscot county."

Same gentleman, from same committee, on bill "An Act relating to fishing in Little Fish Pond, in T. 3, R. 3, known as Alder Brook Township," reported that the same be placed on file, as the subject matter in a new draft (permitting fly fishing only in said pond during the open season provided by the general law of the State) will be incorporated in the Revised Code of Inland Fish and Game Laws, which will be reported later.

Same gentleman, from same committee, on bill "An Act to provide for a close time on wild birds and wild animals on Bartlett's island, in the county of Hancock, until Jan. 1, 1921," reported that the same be placed on file, as the subject matter will be incorporated in the Revised Code of Inland Fish and Game Laws which will be reported later.

Mr. Barnes, from the committee on judiciary, reported "ought not to pass" on bill, "An Act to amend Paragraph 5, Section 64, of Chapter 86 of the Revised Statutes, relating to exemptions from attachment."

Same gentleman, from same committee, reported same on bill, "An Act Relative to the filing of interrogatories in civil actions."

Same gentleman, from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to prevent injuries to persons and property at grade crossings."

Mr. Reed, from the committee on railroads and expresses, reported same on bill, "An Act to authorize the Maine Central Railroad company to build a branch line of railroad from Bancroft to the eastern boundary of the State."

The reports were accepted.

### First Reading of Printed Bills and Resolves

House 450. An Act to authorize the National Camps and Hotel Company to construct and maintain a wharf in Sebago Lake.

House 451. An Act to amend and extend the charter of the Bangor Boom Company.

House 452. An Act to legalize the doings of the Fairfield Center Cemetery Association.

House 453. An Act to change the name of Marsh Island.

House 454. An Act to provide for a county law library at Rumford in the county of Oxford.

House 455. An Act repealing Chapter 276 of the Private and Special Laws of 1911, authorizing the city of Portland to construct public buildings upon public grounds.

House 456. An Act to extend the charter of the Waldo Street Railway Company.

House 457. An Act relating to the Knox Gas and Electric Company.

House 458. An Act to provide for physical connection and certain auxiliary service between steam railroads and electric railroads.

House 459. An Act to extend the charter of the Farmington-Oakland Interurban Railway.

House 460. An Act to extend the charter of the Lincoln Sewerage Company.

House 461. An Act to extend and amend the charter of the Eastern Maine Railroad.

House 462. An Act to change the limits of the Madison Village Corporation and to set off therefrom certain real estate belonging to Theodore B. Weston and Addie S. B. Weston.

House 463. An Act to provide for increasing the capital stock of the Franklin Farmers' Co-operative Telephone Co.

House 449. Resolve appointing a commission to investigate and report the advisability of making improvements in Portland harbor; defining the duties of the commissioners; and providing for the payment of their expenses.

**Passed to be Engrossed**

Senate 142. An Act to amend Section 27, Chapter 52 of the Revised Statutes, relating to investing of deposits in savings institutions.

Senate 237. An Act to ratify the change of name and the amount of capital stock of Mercantile Trust Co., and to amend its charter.

Senate 236. An Act to authorize the Public Utilities Commission to require through routes and joint rates by common carriers for the transportation of persons or property.

Senate 233. Resolve in favor of Albert Yankauer, for information furnished the attorney general regarding certain estates liable to inheritance tax.

House 205. An Act to amend and repeal Chapter 279 of the Private and Special Laws of 1880, entitled "An Act incorporating the Dead River Log Driving Co." as amended by Chapter 143 of the Private and Special Laws of 1909.

House 206. An Act to amend and repeal Chapter 208 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Dead River North Branch Log Driving Co."

House 441. An Act confirming and ratifying the organization of the Penobscot Law Library Association.

House 442. An Act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 64 of the Revised Statutes, relating to marriage by insane or feeble minded persons.

House 443. An Act to extend the charter of the Bluehill Water Co.

Mr. Garcelon of Auburn offered House Amendment A to House 443, as follows:

"Bill, An Act to amend the charter of the Bluehill Water Co., is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

'Section 2. Nothing herein contained is intended to repeal, or shall be construed as repealing, the whole or any part of any existing statute, and all the rights and duties herein mentioned shall be exercised and performed in accordance with all the applic-

able provisions of Chapter 55 of the Revised Statutes.'"

On motion by Mr. Garcelon of Auburn, Amendment A was adopted.

The bill then received its third reading and was passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment A.

House 444. An Act to extend the provisions of Chapter 214 of the Private and Special Laws of 1915, authorizing the town of Lisbon to supply gas and electricity.

House 445. An Act to ratify and confirm the incorporation of the Pine Grove Cemetery Association of Brownfield.

House 224. An Act providing for the reviving and extension of the charter of the Penobscot Bay Water Company.

Mr. Garcelon of Auburn offered House Amendment A to House 224, as follows:

"House Amendment A. House Document No. 224, entitled 'An Act providing for the reviving and extension of the charter of the Penobscot Bay Water Company,' is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

'Section 3. Nothing herein contained is intended to repeal, or shall be construed as repealing, the whole or any part of any existing statute; and all the rights and duties herein mentioned shall be exercised and performed in accordance with all the applicable provisions of Chapter 55 of the Revised Statutes.'"

On motion by Mr. Garcelon of Auburn, Amendment A was adopted.

The bill then received its third reading and was passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment A.

House 222. An Act to authorize the town of Richmond to acquire the property of the Richmond Water Works and to construct and maintain a system of water works within said town.

House 221. An Act to complete the records in the Hancock county registry of deeds.

House 182. An Act relating to the Rockland, Thomaston & Camden Street Railway.

House 156. An Act to amend Chapter 424 of the Private and Special Laws of

1907, relating to the Kittery Water District.

House 131. An Act to specify the times when the county commissioners shall receive their salaries.

House 440. Resolve in favor of the Maine School for Deaf.

House 439. Resolve making appropriation for the expenses of the work of the State Board of Charities and Corrections prescribed by law for the years 1917 and 1918. (On motion by Mr. Rounds of Portland, tabled pending its second reading.)

House 438. Resolve in favor of Peter W. Ranco, representative of the Penobscot Tribe of Indians.

House 437. Resolve in favor of the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum for maintenance and other purposes for the years 1917 and 1918.

House 436. Resolve in favor of the several State normal schools and the Madawaska Training School for the construction of new buildings and for permanent repairs and improvements.

House 202. Resolve in favor of John F. Moody of Hebron.

House 435. Resolve in favor of the town of Mechanic Falls for the payment of additional State school funds for the year 1915.

#### Passed to Be Enacted

An Act relating to the digging of clams within the limits of the towns of Newcastle and Damariscotta.

An Act to amend Section 27, sub-Section Third, of Chapter 52 of the Revised Statutes, so as to permit savings banks to invest in certain corporation bonds.

An Act to amend Section 67 of Chapter 45 of the Revised Statutes, relating to close time on scallops.

An Act to amend Section 18 of Chapter 45 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the lobster license law.

An Act to amend Section 10 of Chapter 9 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the employment of assistant by the Board of State Assessors in the re-assessment of real and personal property.

An Act to amend Chapter 396 of Private and Special Laws of 1909, author-

izing the construction of a bridge across Ogunquit river, in the town of Wells.

An Act to amend Section 8 of Chapter 57 of the Revised Statutes and providing a penalty for evading taxicab and public automobile fares.

An Act to Amend Section Ten of Chapter One Hundred and Seventeen of the Revised Statutes Relating to Stenographers of the Supreme Judicial Court.

An Act to Extend the Charter of the Rockland, South Thomaston and St. George Railway.

(Tabled by Mr. Allan of Portland pending its final passage.)

An Act Concerning Industrial Banks, Defining Same and Providing for their Incorporation, Powers, Supervision and Control.

An Act Additional to and Amendatory of Chapter Three Hundred and Forty-seven of the Private and Special Laws of Nineteen Hundred and One, Entitled "An Act to Authorize the Great Northern Paper Company to Increase its Capital Stock."

An Act Additional to Chapter Sixty-seven of the Revised Statutes, and Increasing the Powers of Judges of Probate.

An Act to Amend Chapter Sixty-seven of the Private and Special Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Fifteen, Relating to the Charter of the Rockland, Thomaston and Camden Street Railway.

An Act to Extend the Powers of the Milo Electric Light & Power Company.

An Act to amend Section 121 of Chapter 53 of the Revised Statutes, relating to insurance agents and brokers.

An Act to incorporate the Cumberland Bar Association.

An Act to amend Section 35 of Chapter 68 of the Revised Statutes, relating to powers of special administrators.

An Act to amend Section 88 of Chapter 53 of the Revised Statutes, relating to reserves of fire and marine insurance companies.

An Act to amend Chapter 239 of the Private and Special Laws of 1913 in-

creasing the authority of the recorder of the Lincoln municipal court.

An Act to amend Section 55 of Chapter 55 of the Revised Statutes, relating to review by the supreme judicial court of certain rulings of the Public Utilities Commission.

An Act to amend Section 28 of Chapter 64 of the Revised Statutes, relating to registration of vital statistics.

An Act to amend Chapter 122 of the Private and Special Laws of 1913, relating to the ferry between Indian Island and the city of Old Town.

An Act to amend Section 107 of Chapter 52 of the Revised Statutes, relating to loans by loan and buildings associations.

Resolve in favor of the Central Maine Association for relief and control of tuberculosis, for payment of outstanding debts.

Resolve in favor of the State tuberculosis Sanatoriums for Maintenance and Other Purposes for the Years Nineteen Hundred and Seventeen and Nineteen Hundred and Eighteen.

Resolve in favor of George A. Dow.

Resolve, in favor of the Maine School for the Feeble Minded for Maintenance and Other Purposes for the Years Nineteen Hundred Seventeen and Nineteen Hundred Eighteen.

Resolve, for indexing the documents filed by the Legislatures of Maine since 1820, now in the office of the secretary of the Senate.

#### Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Allan of Portland, Senate Document No. 60, bill, "An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 11, Revised Statutes, relating to the collection of taxes and the commitment of poll taxes in incorporated places," was taken from the table and, on further motion by the same gentleman, was recommitted to the committee on taxation.

Mr. BARNES of Houlton: Mr. Speaker, I move that we reconsider the vote whereby we accepted the report of the committee on the horse-shoers bill.

Mr. DUTTON of Bingham: Mr. Mr. Speaker, I would like to inquire of the gentleman from Houlton (Mr. Barnes) through the Chair, whether he is serious in regard to this motion, and whether this bill is a joke or whether it is a reality.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Houlton, Mr. Barnes, moves that the House reconsider its vote whereby it accepted the report of the committee on legal affairs, "ought not to pass," on bill, "An Act to regulate the practice and business of horseshoeing; providing for the issuance of licenses; providing for the appointment of examiners and defining their duties; defining certain misdemeanors and providing penalties therefor."

Mr. DUTTON of Bingham: Mr. Speaker, I presume that this bill is considered a real joke in the State, and I presume it is; but if we should recommit this to the committee and in the rush of business it should be eventually passed, it would be a stern reality. The bill provides for several thousands of dollars outlay by the State. It also provides that if a man engaged in a logging operation back in the woods should tear a shoe off a horse and desire to nail the shoe on himself, he at once becomes a criminal. If he has a man in his employ and he performs such an act, not only the man in his employ but also the employer becomes a criminal. It would be illegal for a man, unless he had passed this board, to shoe his own horse. It would require, in the logging operations of Maine, a man to come from far north of Moosehead lake way down here to the city of Augusta and pass a board of examination before he would be permitted to go back into the logging camp and shoe the horses. I do not wish to take up any more of the valuable time of this House. If this matter is a joke, I believe we had better not reconsider the vote; if it is serious, we certainly should not reconsider our vote, and I hope that the motion of the gentleman from Houlton (Mr. Barnes) to reconsider the vote will not prevail.

Mr. PACKARD of Rockland: Mr. Speaker, with all due respect to the

gentleman from Bingham, Mr. Dutton, who has just spoken, I do not think he has gone over the bill very carefully, and I think, if he reads the bill carefully, he will find out that the bill is not very much of a joke, but, in fact, that it is quite the thing to pass. A communication from the secretary and treasurer of the National Veterinarians' Association advocates its passage. I would like to second the motion of the gentleman from Houlton (Mr. Barnes) that the vote be reconsidered.

Mr. JENKINS of Kingfield: Mr. Speaker, if that bill should pass or go through, such a town as my town would not have a blacksmith, and you will find hundreds of towns affected the same way. It would be an imposition upon the State of Maine to pass such a bill.

Mr. NEWCOMB of Scarboro: Mr. Speaker, I was approached yesterday by a blacksmith from my town, and he wanted to know what had been done with that blacksmith horseshoeing bill, and I said, "they killed it." He said, "there may be some good things in it; the veterinary knows about it, but it would be an injustice to the farmers and lumbermen in the State of Maine if that bill should be passed.

Mr. MURRAY of Bangor: Mr. Speaker, as I understand the bill, everything that has been said about it is true. There are some good things in it,

and there are some very bad things in it. As I understand it, the Senate wants to get it back there, so that they can remove the part that is objectionable, and I cannot see any harm in its going back. If it comes back in this state, or is bad, we can kill it, or they can. As I understand it they really do want the bill to amend it in some way.

Mr. DUTTON of Bingham: Mr. Speaker, we have been rescinding our votes and referring matters back to committees here and back to the Senate, and taking up lots of the time of this Legislature in that sort of performance. We have been travelling wholly in a circle, and I believe that it is time that we get down to business. I do not want to be plagued any more about this horseshoers' bill; I object to its passage, and I am going to call for a yea and nay vote. (Applause).

Mr. BARNES of Houlton: Mr. Speaker, I move we adjourn.

The SPEAKER: The motion to adjourn will have to be put before the motion to take the yeas and nays. Is it the pleasure of the House that the House stand adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning?

A viva voce vote being doubted.

A division being had, the motion to adjourn prevailed by a vote of 53 to 42.

Adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.