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SENATE

Saturday, March 24, 1917. Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. Herbert S. Dow of Gardiner.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Mr. SWIFT of Kennebec: Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to introduce at this time a resolve out of order.

This is an emergency measure appropriating \$60,000 for the repair and reconstruction and making fire-proof the Harlow building at the Augusta State hospital, which was partially destroyed by fire last Thursday evening.

The passage of this resolve will enable the trustees of the institution, with the consent and approval of the Governor and Council, to commence work at once, and this is very important owing to the over-crowded condition of the institution. Eighty of the patients have already been transferred to the Bangor hospital, and the balance have been temporarily taken care of and crowded into other buildings of the Augusta institution.

This resolve has the approval of the Governor and the unanimous endorsement of the committee on insane hospitals.

I move, Mr. President, that this resolve be passed without reference to committee, that it receive its several readings, and pass to be engrossed under suspension of the rules, and that it be sent to the House for concurrence.

The motion was agreed to, under suspension of the rules, and the resolve received its two several readings, was passed to be engrossed and sent down to the House for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Googin of Androscoggin, under suspension of the rules, it was

Ordered, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet Tuesday, March 27, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

Passed and sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently the President stated that the House had concurred in the passage of the order.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

From the House: An Act to amend Section 26 of Chapter 129 of the Revised Statutes, relating to wanton injury to books, pictures and statues.

In the House this bill was referred to the committee on judiciary; in the Senate it was referred to the next Legislature in non-concurrence.

In the House that body insisted upon its former action and appointed a committee of conference.

On motion by Mr. Holt of Cumberland the Senate voted to join the committee of conference. The Chair appointed on such committee on the part of the Senate, Messrs. Lord, Fulton and Googin.

From the House: An Act to provide for the registration of resident hunters.

In the House this bill was passed to be engrossed. In the Senate it was indefinitely postponed. On its return to the House that body insisted upon its former action and appointed a committee of conference.

On motion by Mr. Chick of Kennebec the Senate insisted upon its former action and joined a committee of conference. The Chair appointed on such committee of conference on the part of the Senate, Messrs. Chick, Marshall and Fulton.

From the Heuse: An Act to amend Sections 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 61 and 62 of the Revised Statutes, to provide for the formation of unions for the employment of superintendents of schools.

In the Senate this bill was passed to be engrossed. In the House, House Amendment A was adopted.

Mr. LORD of York: Mr. President, I understand the effect of House Amendment A is simply to change the term of three years to one year for which the superintendent of schools can be employed. It has been proposed in accordance with an agreement with the factory. I therefore move that we con- relating to discharge from imprisoncur with the House in the adoption of ment of bastardy cases. House Amendment A.

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

House Bills in First Reading.

H. D. 632. Resolve making an appropriation for co-operative agricultural work between the college of agriculture of the University of Maine and the United States department of agriculture.

H. D. 633. Resolve making appropriation to support the bureau of horticulture for the years 1917 and 1918.

H. D. 634. Resolve appropriating money for the protection of trees and shrubs from the ravages of dangerous insects and diseases.

H. D. 636. Resolve making appropriation for New England fruit show to be held in the year 1917.

H. D. 637. Resolve in favor of the live stock sanitary commissioner for the control of contagious diseases among domestic animals.

H. D. 640. Resolve making an appropriation for the Maine Seed Improvement Association for 1917 and 1918.

H. D. 638. Resolve making an appropriation to assist, encourage and develop the poultry industry in Maine for 1917 and 1918.

H. D. 639. An Act to amend Section 35 of the Revised Statutes of 1916 relative to the live stock sanitary commissioner.

H. D. 628. Resolve in favor of home for aged women, Belfast.

H. D. 629. Resolve in favor of Calais hospital.

H. D. 630. Resolve in favor of Sisters of Charity of Waterville, Maine.

H. D. 631. Resolve in favor of Anson Academy.

H. D. 612. An Act to incorporate Brassau Stream Dam and Improvement Co.

H. D. 606. An Act to incorporate the Boothbay Harbor Water District.

H. D. 618. An Act to prevent cruelty to animals in the sale and transportation of horses.

H. D. 431. An Act to amend Section 10

committee on education, and is satis- of Chapter 402 of the Revised Statutes

H. D. 561. An Act to extend the char-The motion was agreed to, House ter of the Lubec, East Machias & Machias Railway Co.

> H. D. 617. An Act to legalize and confirm the incorporation and doings of the Congregational parish of Weld, Maine, and to authorize the conveyance of its real estate.

> H. D. 627. An Act to authorize the town of Caribou to acquire property of the Caribou Water, Light & Power Co., and to construct and maintain for itself and for persons and corporations a system of water works within said town.

> H. D. 126. An Act to establish a police court in the city of Belfast.

> H. D. 580. An Act to incorporate the Grand Isle Light & Power Co.

> H. D. 622. An Act to amend Section 34 of Chapter 55 of the Revised Statutes, relating to public utilities and free transportation on trains.

> H. D. 185. An Act relating to the Vassalboro, China & Windsor Light & Power Co.

> H. D. 254. An Act to amend the charter of the Central Maine Power Co.

> H. D. 308. An Act to amend Sections 70 and 71 of Chapter 57 of the Revised Statutes, authorizing persons in charge of railroad property to arrest offenders and for other purposes.

> H. D. 306. An Act to amend Section 1, 2 and 4 of Chapter 23 of the Revised Statutes, relating to nuisances.

> H. D. 307. An Act providing for sentence at the term of conviction and to give the court discretion in the matter of sentence.

> H. D. 305. An Act additional of Chapter 127 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the enforcement of the laws against the sale of intoxicating liquors.

> From the House: Majority and minority report of the committee on judiciary on An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 84 of the Revised Statutes. relating to the appointment of clerks of the judicial courts.

> On motion by Mr. Lord of York, the majority report, ought not to pass, was accepted in concurrence.

From the House: Majority minority report of the committee on ju- tion, resort or amusement. diciary on An Act for optional referendum for cities and towns.

ought not to pass, was accepted.

On motion by Mr. Swift of Kennebec, tabled pending acceptance of either report.

mittee on salaries and fees, ought not money expended in support of Kate C. to pass, on An Act to amend Section Robbins, a State pensioner now de-38 of Chapter 117 of the Revised Statutes, relating to compensation of the judge of probate of Somerset county.

for the report of the committee.

In the Senate on motion by Mr. Holt of Cumberland, tabled.

From the House: Report of the committee on telegraphs and telephones, on An Act providing for better telephone service.

On motion by Mr. Lord of York, tabled, pending acceptance of the report of the committee in concurrence.

Bills in First Reading.

of office of insurance commissioner.

S. D. 386. An Act to amend Chapter 117 of the Revised Statutes, relating to tee, on resolve providing an epidemic the salary of County Attorney and of or Assistant County Attorney for Cumberland county and to provide clerk hire thereof.

S. D. 387. An Act to amend Section 20 of Chapter 117 of the Revised Stat- ate and House of Representatives of utes, relating to the Department, of Education.

S. D. 388. department of health and to amend ate No. 288), reported same ought to the public health laws.

S. D. 389. An Act amending Section 17 of Chapter 45 of the Revised Stat- Wood of Hancock.) utes for granting lobster licenses.

duties of County Attorney.

charter to the city of Auburn.

36 of Chapter 26 of the Revised Sta- ought to pass. (Read first time under tutes, fixing a fee for motor cars cogis- suspension of the rules on motion by tering in neutral automobile zones.

S. D. 593. An Act to prevent public discrimination by reason of religious judiciary, on An Act to prohibit

and creed at places of public accommoda-

S. D. 394. An Act to amend Chapter 76 of the Revised Statutes of 1916, re-In the House the majority report, lating to sales of real estate by license of court.

S. D. 395. An Act to amend Revised Statutes, Chapter 117, Section 16, relating to the State treasurer.

S. D. 396. Resolve, in favor of Mrs. From the House: Report of the com- Mabel G. Sanborn of Augusta, for ceased.

S. D. 397. An Act to amend Section 32 of Chapter 117 of the Revised Stat-In the House the bill was substituted utes, relating to the salary of the clerk of the board of State assessors.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Bartlett from the committee on appropriations and financial affairs, on resolve authorizing the State treasurer to procure a temporary loan for the year 1917, and

Resolve authorizing the State treasurer to procure a temporary loan for the year 1918, submitted the same in a new draft, under title of "An Act authorizing the treasurer of State to ne-S. D. 385. An Act relating to term gotiate a temporary loan," and that it ought to pass.

> Mr. Higgins from the same commitemergency fund, reported same ought to pass.

Mr. Walker from the committee on education, on An Act to accept the benefits of An Act passed by the Senthe United States of America in Congress assembled to provide for the pro-An Act to create a State motion of vocational education (Senpass. (Read first time under suspension of the rules on motion by Mr.

Mr. Deering from the committee on S. D. 390. An Act in relation to the judiciary, on An Act to amend Section 20 of Chapter 144 of the Revised Stat-S. D. 391. An Act to grant a new utes of 1916, relating to the commitment of girls to the State School for S. D. 392. An Act to amend Section Girls (Senate No. 341), reported same Mr. Fulton of Aroostook.)

> Mr. Gillin from the committee on the

carrying of dangerous \mathbf{or} deadly ways. weapons without a license (Senate No. same ought 352), submitted the same in a new time under suspension of the rules on draft, under the same title, and that it motion by Mr. Googin of Androscogought to pass.

The same Senator from the same committee, on An Act to provide for the establishment of polling districts in cities and towns (Senate No. 239), submitted the same in a new draft under title of "An Act to provide for the establishment of polling districts in towns," and that it ought to pass.

A majority of the committee on judiciary on bill, "An Act for the better protection of children and to amend certain sections of Chapter 64, Revised Statutes (Senate No. 164), submitted the same in a new draft, under title of "An Act to amend certain sections of Chapter 64, Revised Statutes in relation to the protection of neglected children.

(Signed) Cole, Deering, Dearth. Farrington, Gurney, Baxter, Barnes.

A minority of the same committee on the same bill reported that the same ought not to pass.

(Signed) Davies, Gillin, Hutchins,

(Tabled pending acceptance of either report on motion by Mr. Holt of Cumberland.)

Mr Wood from the committee on legal affairs, on An Act to amend Section 8 of Chapter 65 of the Revised Statutes relative to time for hearing of libels for divorce, (Senate No. 344), reported same ought to pass. (Read the first time under suspension of the rules on motion of Mr. Wood of Hancock.)

Mr. Marshall from the same committee, on An Act to legalize the doings of the inhabitants of the town of Windham, at the annual town meeting, held on March 5, A. D. 1917, and by adjournment on March 7, A. D., 1917, reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Butler from the committee on public utilities, on An Act to amend Section 24 of Chapter 58 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Maine, relating to unclaimed baggage and merchandise transported by street rail- for printing under the joint rules.

(Senate No. 306). reported to pass. (Read first gin.)

Mr. Grant from the committee on salaries and fees, on An Act to amend section 8 of Chapter 325 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, as amended by Chapter 150 of the Private and Special Laws of 1915, fixing the salary of the recorder of the municipal court of Waterville, reported same ought to pass.

Mr. Conant from the same committee, on An Act to amend Section 45 of Chapter 117, of the Revised Statutes relating to the amounts to be paid for clerk hire in the county offices. (Senate No. 188). which was recommitted to the committee. submitted the same in a new draft, under the same title, and that it ought to pass.

A majority of the committee on salaries and fees, on An Act to fix the salaries of the judge of probate for the county of Androscoggin, submitted the same in a new draft under title of "An Act to amend Section 38 of Chapter 117 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Androscoggin," and that it ought to pass.

(Signed) Hastings, Holt, Howard, Welch, Holt. Jenkins. Leavitt. Rounds, Langley.

A minority of the same committee on the same bill reported that the same ought not to pass.

(Signed) Copant.

(Tabled on motion by Mr. Holt of Cumberland, pending acceptance nf' either report.)

Mr. Bartlett from the committee on State sanatoriums, on An Act to amend Section 5 of Chapter 146, Revised Statutes of 1916, relative to admittance and charges for patients at State sanatoriums, (Senate No. 240), submitted the same in a new draft under the same title, and that it ought to pass.

The reports were accepted and the several bills and resolves were tabled

Mr Bicker from the committee on education, on An Act to extend the fa- 6 of Chapter 42 of the Revised Statutes. cilities for training teachers for com- concerning intelligence offices. mon schools through training courses in High schools and academies. (Senate No. 305), reported legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Mr. Wood from the Committee on legal affairs, on remonstrances against trespass on islands in salt waters, reported same be placed on file.

Mr. Gordon from the committee on public health, on An Act providing for the formation of combined health districts, (Senate No. 247), reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

The reports were accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Final Reports.

Mr. Ames from the committee on Indian affairs submitted its final report. Mr. Ricker from the committee on

library submitted its final report.

Mr. Grant from the committee on salaries and fees submitted its final report.

Mr. Deering from the committee on telegraphs and telephones submitted its final report.

Passed to be Engrossed.

H. D. 45. An Act to provide for the improvement and certification of seed produced in the State.

H. D. 119. An Act to provide for conducting scientific investigation bearing upon the agriculture of Aroostook county. (Tabled on motion by Mr. Bartlett of Kennebec pending passage to be engressed.)

H. D. 569. An Act to amend Chapter 213 of the Private and Special Laws of 1915, relative to the granting of licenses for certain businesses and purposes by the municipal officers of the city of Portland. (In the House, House amendment A was adopted. In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Marshall of Cumberland, tabled, pending acceptance of House Amendment A.)

H. D. 570. An Act to amend Sections 18 to 23 inclusive of Chapter 18 and Section 53 of Chapter 117 of the Revised Statutes, all relating to the board of registration of nurses.

H. D. 578. Resolve in favor of the University of Maine for maintenance and for the construction of new buildings.

H. D. 590. An Act to amend Section

H. D. 597. An Act to incorporate the Pilgrim's Home Cemetery Association.

Mr. WOOD of Hancock, Mr. President, I offer Senate Amendment A to this bill at the request of Senator Conant. The amendment simply changes two names that are printed wrong. I move the adoption of Senate Amendment A.

The motion was agreed to, and the amendment was adopted and the bill passed to be engrossed as amended.

H. D. 605. An Act to define certain terms used in Section 58 of Chapter 64 of the Revised Statutes in relation to licensing children's homes and maternity hospitals.

H. D. 607. An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 141 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, entitled "An Act to amend an act creating the Phillips Village Corporation."

H. D. 608. Resolve in favor of Otto Nelson. (Tabled on motion by Mr. Holt of Cumberland, pending passage to be engrossed.)

H. D. 609. Resolve, reimbursing the town of Presque Isle for money expended on account of a certain pauper.

H. D. 610. Resolve, in favor of Fred R. Smith, of Pittsfield, for expenses incurred as a member of the hospital trustees in investigating conditions at the Augusta State Hospital in 1913.

Mr. HOLT of Cumberland: I move that this bill be tabled pending its passage to be engrossed.

I will say that this is done to find out whether this matter cannot be covered by the Governor and Council out of funds available to them.

Mr. GOOGIN of Androscoggin; Mr. President, will the Senator assign a time when the bill can be taken from the table?

Mr. HOLT: Mr. President, I would suggest any time agreeable to the Senator from Androscoggin.

(Tabled and assigned for next Tuesdav.)

H. D. 611. Resolve, for laying the errors, I offer Senate county taxes for the year 1918.

H. D. 614. An Act confirming the official acts of the officers of the plantation of Chapman, acting as officers of the town of Chapman, and the proceedings of the special town meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Chapman held December 27, 1915.

124 of Chapter 87 of the Revised Statutes, relating to competency of witnesses in court.

H. D. 620. An Act to amend Section read as follows: 31 of Chapter 68 of the Revised Statutes, appropriating moneys in the State Treasury credited to public administrator's fund.

H. D. 621. An Act to incorporate Maine Fire Insurance Company.

H. D. 623. Resolve, for the payment of expenses of last sickness and burial of Allan Shenneck, formerly a private, ate Amendment B and moved its adop-Company L, Maine Infantry, N. G. S. tion. M.

S. D. 82. An Act to make uniform the law of negotiable instruments.

S. D. 202. An Act, in addition to Sections 44, 45, 46 and 47, Chapter 86 Revised Statutes of 1916, relating to attachment of property mortgaged or pledged.

S. D. 208. An Act to secure information relating to the yearly cut of timber Hancock county to repair the main from the wild land townships.

construction of Chimneys. (Tabled on town of Cherryfield in Washington motion by Mr. Bartlett of Kennebec, county, \$1000." pending passage to be engrossed.)

graphical errors in Section 116 of Chap- as amended was passed ter 7 of the Revised Statutes, relating grossed. to illegal voting.

S. D. 307. An Act providing for monthly payment of salaries of county officials.

S. D. 375. Resolve appropriating money to aid in repairing and constructing roads and bridges and for Senator Ames.") other purposes.

dent, I have two amendments that I Chapter 186 of the Private and Special wish to introduce at this time to S. D. laws of 1915, providing for reorganiza-375, suggested by the committee itself, tion of consolidation of the railroad and they are in the nature of clerical companies constituting the Boston and

Amendment A and move its adoption.

Senate Amendment A to S. D. 375.

Senate Document 375, entitled "Resolve appropriating money to aid in repairing and constructions roads and bridges and for other purposes" is hereby amended by striking out the words "1917 and 1918" in the third and H. D. 616. An Act amending Section fourth lines of the 7th Paragraph on page 3 of said resolve, and inserting in place thereof the words ``1916and 1917," so that said 7th Paragraph shall

> "In the town of Bingham, for reconstruction of road across Chases Intervale, so called, \$2500; provided the State aid joint funds for 1916 and 1917 be expended for the same purpose."

> The motion was agreed to and Senate Amendment A was adopted.

> The same Senator then offered Sen-

Senate Amendment B to S. D. 375.

Senate Document 375 is hereby amended by striking out on the 4th page and the 4th line, referring to the resolve for Hancock county, after the word "dollars" all the balance of section, so that the section shall read as amended:

"The townships Nos. 9 and 10 in highway leading from the town of S. D. 230. An Act relating to the Franklin in Hancock county to the

The motion was agreed to, Senate S. D. 294. An Act to correct typo- Amendment B was adopted and the bill to be en-

> S. D. 376. An Act to amend Sections 20 and 21, Chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes, relating to lands reserved for public uses. (Tabled pending passage to be engrossed on motion by Mr. Holt of Cumberland, "at the request of

S. D. 377. An Act to extend the Mr. WOOD of Hancock: Mr. Presi-time within which the provisions of cised.

S. D. 380. An Act to amend Section 3. Chapter 21 of the Revised Statutes, Private and Special Laws of 1903, relarelating to the care of ancient burying tive to alumni trustees of Colby grounds.

S. D. 381. An Act to incorporate the Investment Insurance and Guaranty Company.

S. D. 382. An Act to authorize the construction of a weir in the tidewaters of Little Machias bay in the ter 52 of the Revised Statutes, relating town of Cutler.

S. D. 383. An Act providing for the control of the white pine blister rust and other fungus and insect pests.

S. D. 384. An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes of Maine, relating to the collection of taxes and the commitment of taxes in incorporated places.

Passed to be Enacted.

An Act to extend the charter of the Brewer Water Company.

An Act to extend the charter of the World Standard Insurance Company.

An Act additional to Chapter 52 of the Revised Statutes relating to limitation of actions to recover money paid on forged signatures.

An Act to amend Section 34 of Chapter 145 of the Revised Statutes, relating to temporary leave of absence of patients from insane hospitals.

An Act to refund a certain bond issued in favor of the trustees of the Maine Insane Hospital.

An Act to amend Section 59 of Chapter 4 of the Revised Statutes, relating to appropriation by cities and towns for advertising.

An Act relating to the probate of foreign wills.

An Act to amend Section 4 of Chapter 62 of the Revised Statutes, relating to recording of certificates of incorporation of and payment of fees for same by corporations without capital stock.

An Act to amend Section 7 of Chapter 102 of the Revised Statutes, relatchildren and their ing to bastard maintenance.

An Act to repeal Chapter 373 of the ings banks. Private and Special Laws of 1833, en-

Maine Railroad system, may be exer- titled "An Act to regulate the survey of lumber in the county of Penobscot."

> An Act to amend Chapter 150 of the college.

> An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 82 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891, entitled An Act to supply the city of Auburn with pure water.

> An Act to amend Section 43 of Chapto the custody of securities owned by savings banks.

> An Act to amend Section 24 of Chapter 52 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the withdrawal by a minor of deposits in banking institutions.

An Act to incorporate the Dirigo poll Water Company.

> An Act to extend the charter of the Harmony Water Company.

> An Act to amend Section 62 of Chapter 2 of the Revised Statutes, relating to deposit of State funds.

> An Act providing for the licensing of drivers of automobiles for hire in the town of Eden.

> An Act amending Sections 3 and 20 of Chapter 144, Section 29 of Chapter 117. Section 25 of Chapter 137. of the Revised Statutes, and making additional provisions pertaining to inmates of State juvenile institutions, and increasing the salary of the superintendent of the State School for Boys.

> An Act to repeal the act incorporating the town of Perkins.

> An Act to amend Section 47, Chapter 55, Revised Statutes, relating to orders of the public utilities commission and their enforcement.

> An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 199 of the Private and Special Laws of 1899, regulating caucuses in the city of Biddeford.

> An Act additional to and amendatory of Chapter 139 of the Revised Statutes, relating to insane inmates of the Reformatory for Women.

> An Act to amend Section 27 of Chapter 52 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the investment of deposits of sav-

An Act to amend Section 11 of Chap-

ter 117 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the salaries of the stenographers of the superior courts.

An Act to amend Section 139 of Chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the annual appropriation for the encouragement of industrial education.

Finally Passed.

Resolve, in favor of the State juvenile institutions, for maintenance and other purposes, for the years 1917 and 1918.

Resolve in favor of the trustees of juvenile institutions for per diem and expenses for the years 1917 and 1918.

Resolve, appropriating money for the repair of Teacher's Old Home, on Old Town Indian Island No. 1.

Resolve, reimbursing Samuel N. Packard for the loss of two cattle.

Resolve in favor of certain private charitable benevolent institutions for the care, support and education of indigent persons and for other purposes.

Orders of the Day.

Mr. LORD of York: Mr. President, a few moments ago, acting on the information that there was to be no contest on the acceptance of the majority report on H. D. No. 62, relative to the appointment of clerks of supreme judicial courts, I made a motion that the majority report be accepted, but in order to guard against the possibility that I may be wrong, and to preserve the rights of any senator who might like to be heard, I now move that that action be reconsidered and that pending the acceptance of either report the bill lay on the table.

The motion was agreed to, reconsidering the vote whereby the majority report on H. D. 62 was accepted, and on further motion by the same senator the, bill was tabled.

Mr. WOOD of Hancock: Mr. President, I move that we reconsider the vote whereby we passed to be engrossed H. D. No. 616, relating to the competency of witnesses in court.

The motion was agreed to, and on further motion by the same senator the bill was tabled.

On motion by Mr. Lord of York, the report of the committee on House bill 76. An Act to provide for better telephone service, was ordered printed.

On motion by Mr. Chick of Kennebec, the Senate reconsidered the vote whereby a committee on conference was appointed on An Act providing for the registration of resident hunters.

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

On motion by Mr. Lord of York, it was

Ordered, that 500 extra copies of S. D. 357 in new draft, be printed and delivered to the banking department for distribution.

On motion by Mr. Chick of Kennesse, an act relating to the place of payment in this State of dividends declared by foreign mutual fire insurance companies, was taken from the table.

Mr. CHICK: Mr. President, I will say that this act was introduced by me, and it was my intention to refer it to the committee on mercantile affairs and insurance, but that committee had made up their final report. Since then I have talked with several members of that committee and other members also of the Senate, and I think there is no objection to this matter. The heading practically states the substance of the bill. I move that the act be received under suspension of the rules.

The motion was agreed to, and on further motion by the same senator, without reference to committee the bill received its first reading, under suspension of the rules.

On motion by Mr. Fulton of Aroostook, adjourned until Tuesday, March 27, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.