

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the
LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

Seventy-Ninth Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1919

AUGUSTA
KENNEBEC JOURNAL PRINT
1919

SENATE

Wednesday, February 5, 1919.

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. Paul S. Phalen of Augusta.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

Papers from the House: Resolve reimbursing plantations because of reduction in the rate of interest paid by the State to plantations on wild land school funds.

In the House this resolve was referred to the committee on education.

In the Senate on motion by Mr. Ricker of Hancock, tabled for printing.

From the House: An Act authorizing the Penobscot Development Company to construct and maintain booms and piers in the Aroostook river in the town of Ashland.

In the House this bill was referred to the committee on interior waters.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Tuttle of Aroostook, tabled for printing.

From the House: Resolve in favor of Mrs. Brackett of Danforth, Washington county.

In the House this resolve was referred to the committee on pensions.

Mr. Ames of Washington: Mr. President: I move that this resolve be indefinitely postponed. My object in making this motion is that the matter has been taken care of in another manner.

The motion was agreed to and the resolve was indefinitely postponed.

From the House: Resolve in favor of Glenwood Plantation.

In the House this resolve was referred to the committee on ways and bridges.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Tuttle of Aroostook, tabled for printing.

The following bills, resolves, etc., were presented and on recommenda-

tion of the committee on reference of bills were referred to the following committees:

Banks and Banking

By Mr. Baxter of Sagadahoc: An Act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 52 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the banking business. (Tabled and 500 copies ordered printed.)

Judiciary

By Mr. Thombs of Penobscot: An Act to amend Sections 6, 10 and 33 of Chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to primary elections and the filing of nomination papers by independent candidates.

By the same senator: An Act to amend Section 4, 8, 9 and 10 of Chapter 7 of the Revised Statutes, providing that only one set of ballots be prepared for State and municipal elections.

Legal Affairs

By Mr. Thombs of Penobscot: An Act to amend Section 12 of Chapter 64 of the Revised Statutes, relative to persons authorized to solemnize marriages.

Library

By Mr. Walker of Somerset: An Act granting compensation to the members of the Maine Library Commission.

Salaries and Fees

By Mr. Gannett of Kennebec: An Act to amend Paragraph 1 of Section 23 of Chapter 117 of the Revised Statutes, increasing the salary of the State librarian.

By Mr. Folsom of Somerset: Petition of George W. Gower and 25 other attorneys of Somerset county, relating to salary of judge of probate in said county.

Orders

On motion by Mr. Dearth of Penobscot, it was

Ordered, the House concurring, that the Librarian of the State Library be ordered to deliver forthwith to the committee on judiciary for use in connection with their committee work, ten copies of the Revised Statutes of 1916 and ten copies of the Laws of 1917.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bills in First Reading

An Act to amend the charter of the Lincoln County Street Railway.

Committee Reports

Mr. Grant for the committee on appropriations and financial affairs, on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the financial program, reported that the recommendations having been embodied in the proposed budget, no further consideration is necessary, and the same be placed on file.

Report accepted and placed on file and sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Dearth for the committee on judiciary, on S. D. 20, An Act to amend Section 26 of Chapter 70 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the time of payment of legacies, reported same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill read once under suspension of the rules, on motion by Mr. Dearth of Penobscot, and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Mr. Dearth for the committee on judiciary, on S. D. 22, An Act to amend Section 4 of Chapter 72 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the appointment of guardians to married persons, reported same ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill read once under suspension of the rules, on motion by Mr. Baxter of Sagadahoc, and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Report of a majority of the committee on judiciary on S. D. 16, An Act granting to women the right to vote for Presidential electors, that the same ought to pass.

(Signed) Messrs. DEARTH
DEERING
DAVIES
CONARY
BUZZELL
BAXTER
BARNES
MURCHIE

Report of a minority of the same committee on the same bill, that the same ought not to pass.

(Signed) Messrs. CHAPLIN
MAHER

On motion by Mr. Gannett of Kennebec, tabled.

Mr. Parent for the committee on towns, on An Act to repeal an Act entitled "An Act, to incorporate the town of Grafton," reported same in a new draft under the same title, and that it ought to pass.

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

Mr. THOMBS of Penobscot: Mr. President: I desire to ask unanimous consent to introduce from the floor a committee report, and that it be read in the presence of the Senate at this time. I will state that there is an accompanying resolution.

Unanimous consent was granted and the Secretary read the report, as follows:

Committee Report

The committee on senatorial elections to whom was referred the petition of Henry L. Irish of Turner, in the county of Androscoggin, praying that he may be admitted as one of the senators from the county of Androscoggin vice Edward R. Parent, one of the sitting senators from said county, having had the matter under consideration, and after hearing the evidence in the case and the arguments of counsel, beg leave to report that the said Henry L. Irish received 4758 votes and the said Edward R. Parent received 4668 votes at the last September election for the office of senator from said county, and therefore the said Henry L. Irish was legally elected one of the senators from said county to the 79th Legislature of Maine and shall be seated as one of the duly accredited senators from said county.

(Signed) THOMBS,
BAXTER,
BUTLER,
EMERSON,
HOLT,
LEWIS,
PEACOCK,

Committee on Senatorial Elections.

Resolution in Re Petition of Henry L. Irish

Resolved: That it is the judgment of this Senate that Edward R. Par-

ent of Lewiston, in the county of Androscoggin, one of the sitting senators from the Fourth Senatorial District, was not legally elected and shall not longer act as a senator from said district, and that Henry L. Irish of Turner, in said county of Androscoggin, was legally elected as one of the senators from said Fourth Senatorial District to the 79th Legislature of Maine, and shall be seated as one of the senators from said Fourth Senatorial District and from henceforth be and become one of the duly accredited senators from said senatorial district.

(Signed) THOMBS,
BAXTER,
BUTLER,
EMERSON,
HOLT,
LEWIS,
PEACOCK,

Committee on Senatorial Elections.

Mr. THOMBS: Mr. President, I now move that the committee report and the resolution lie on the table and be specially assigned for tomorrow morning.

The motion was agreed to.

Passed to Be Engrossed

H. D. 59: Resolve in favor of W. W. Groaton for services as document clerk at the organization of the 79th Legislature.

S. D. 44: An Act to amend Chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes by repealing Sections 30, 31, 32 and 33, relative to the control of forest fires.

Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Gannett of Kennebec, it was

Ordered, that the committee on military affairs be granted the use of the Senate chamber for a public hearing this afternoon, February 5, 1919.

Orders of the Day.

On motion by Mr. Lord of York, H. D. 51, An Act authorizing the Oxford Electric Company to discontinue the operation of its road and to dispose of its franchise and property, was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same senator was referred to the committee on public utilities, in non-concurrence, and was sent down for concurrence.

Mr. DAVIES of Cumberland: Mr. President, may I inquire what committee this bill was referred to by the House?

The PRESIDENT: The judiciary committee.

On motion by Mr. Butler of Franklin,
Adjourned.