

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

Thursday, February 13, 1919.

Senate called to order by the the President.

Prayer by Rev. A. F. Walch of Augusta.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

On motion by Mr. Gordon of York, under suspension of the rules, it was

Ordered, that a message be sent to the House proposing a joint convention in the House this forenoon, and that an invitation be extended to Senator Hale of Maine, Senator Poindexter of Washington, and Governor Bartlett of New Hampshire to address the convention at that time.

The Chair designated the secretary of the Senate to convey the message.

The secretary retired and subsequently reported that he had delivered the message with which he was charged.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

Message from the House

A message was received from the House, conveyed by the Clerk, informing the Senate that the House concurred in the proposition for a joint convention to be held in the Hall of the House this forenoon for the purpose of listening to addresses by Senators Hale and Poindexter, and the Governor of New Hampshire.

From the House: S. D. 20: An Act to amend Section 26 of Chapter 70 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the time of payment of legacies.

In the Senate this bill was passed to be engrossed.

In the House it was recommitted to the committee on judiciary.

On motion by Mr. Davies of Cumberland, the Senate receded and concurred with the House.

From the House: S. D. 22: An Act to amend Section 4 of Chapter 72 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the appointment of guardians of married persons.

In the Senate this bill was passed to be engrossed.

In the House it was recommitted to the committee on judiciary.

On motion by Mr. Davies of Cumberland, the Senate receded and concurred with the House.

House Bills in First Reading

House 113: An Act to change the name of Sand pond in Denmark to Walden pond.

House 114: An Act relating to damage by flowage of public lands and highways on the islands in Penobscot river within the limits of the Indian reservation of the Penobscot Tribe of Indians.

House 115: An Act to provide for conducting scientific investigation bearing upon the agriculture of Aroostook county.

House 117: An Act to amend Sections 3 and 5 of Chapter 37, Revised Statutes, regulating the sale of milk.

House 118: An Act to amend Section 35, Chapter 37, Revised Statutes, relating to unclean milk and unclean cream containers.

House 120: An Act to amend Section 39 of Chapter 14 of the Revised Statutes relating to leasing the shores of the Penobscot river belonging to the Penobscot Tribe of Indians.

House 121: An Act to amend Section 48 of Chapter 14 of the Revised Statutes relating to the Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians.

House 122: An Act relating to sale of standing wood and timber on islands within the limits of the Indian reservation of the Penobscot Tribe of Indians.

House 119: Resolve appropriating money or the continuation of agricultural investigations by the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station on Highmoor Farm.

House 123: Resolve in favor of the Penobscot Tribe of Indians to aid in the purchase of a hearse.

House 123: Resolve in favor of George A. Phillips for expenses incurred to establish his claim to seat in the 79th Legislature.

House 125: Resolve in favor of Charles P. Barnes, chairman of the committee on elections.

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

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

Banks and Banking

By Mr. Baxter of Sagadahoc, An Act additional to Section 27 of Chapter 52 of the Revised Statutes, permitting savings banks and institutions for savings to invest in certain kinds of acceptances.

Education

By Mr. Ames of Washington, Petition of H. P. McReavy and eight others of Northfield for approval of bills for school supplies by selection.

Inland Fisheries and Game

By Mr. Thornton of Aroostook, Petition of J. Allen Smith of Masardis and Harry R. Pipes of Presque Isle and 53 others, citizens of Masardis, Presque Isle and vicinity, in favor of the resident hunters' registration law.

Judiciary

By Mr. Cobb of Kennebec, An Act declaring all buildings and places nuisances wherein or upon which acts of lewdness, assignation or prostitution are held or occur or which are used for such purposes, and providing for the abatement and prevention of such nuisances by injunction and otherwise.

By Mr. Emerson of Aroostook, Petition of Harry M. Briggs of Houlton and 31 others representing that the fees allowed sheriffs and their deputies for service of precepts are too small, and respectfully request the Legislature now in session to change the same.

Sea and Shore Fisheries

By Mr. Holt of Hancock, petition of Joseph Walls and 32 others, requesting the enactment of legislation to prevent gill netting of all ground fish in certain waters in Frenchman's Bay, and to limit and prohibit the crew of any one fishing boat from using more than 1000 hooks in a trawl or trawls within the same waters.

Bills in First Reading

S. D. 71: An Act to amend Section 27 of Chapter 84 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the examination of

applicants for admission to the bar.

S. D. 72: An Act to amend Sections 2, 3, 5 and 11 of Chapter 222, Public Laws of 1917, entitled An Act to provide for mothers of dependent children.

Reports of Committees

Mr. Folsom for the committee on salaries and fees, on S. D. 25, An Act to amend Chapter 67 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 133 of the Public Laws of 1917, relating to the fees paid to registers of probate to be paid to the treasurers of their respective counties, reported same ought not to pass.

The report was accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Peacock for the committee on sea and shore fisheries, on An Act to authorize the construction of a weir in the tide waters of Pembroke river in the town of Pembroke, reported same ought to pass.

By Mr. Thombs for the committee on legal affairs on An Act to amend Chapter 37 of the Private and Special Laws of 1917, entitled An Act to provide a police commission for the city of Lewiston and to promote the efficiency of the police department thereof, reported same ought to pass.

The same senator for the same committee, on An Act to amend Section 3, Chapter 134, of the Public Laws of 1895, in relation to the judge and recorder of the municipal court of the city of Portland acting as counsel or attorney, reported same ought to pass.

Mr. Parent for the committee on legal affairs, on An Act to amend Chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Section 1, Chapter 133 of the Public Laws of 1917, relating to the notice of appointments given to registers of probate, reported same ought to pass.

Mr. Thombs for the committee on legal affairs, on An Act to amend Section 79 of Chapter 87 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the superior court in the county of Cumberland, reported same ought to pass.

The reports were accepted and the several bills tabled for printing under joint rules.

Mr. Parent for the committee on legal affairs, on S. D. 41, An Act to authorize the county of Androscoggin to enlarge and repair the county building in Auburn in said county and erect a new building, reported same ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill was given its first reading.

Passed to Be Engrossed

S. D. 70: An Act to establish a superior court in the county of Penobscot.

H. D. 106: An Act to amend Section 58 of Chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes, relative to the protection of forest fire signs.

H. D. 108: Resolve in favor of the city of Calais to reimburse said city for money expended in the care of State paupers.

H. D. 110: Resolve to reimburse the committee on State prison for expenses to Thomaston.

Finally Passed

Resolve in favor of William R. Roix for services rendered to the Speaker and clerk in the organization of the House of Representatives of the 79th Legislature.

Orders of the Day

Mr. DEERING of York: Mr. President, I desire to ask the ruling of the Chair in the case of Irish, petitioner versus Parent. If the President will agree with me, and in order to clear up the record, I ask that the Chair make a ruling on the whole subject matter as now disposed of.

The PRESIDENT: In reply to the senator from York, Senator Deering, the Chair would state and would rule that the vote taken by the roll call, which was a tie vote, 15 each, that the report was not accepted, and the non-acceptance of that report denies the petition of the petitioner, Dr. Henry L. Irish.

Mr. DAVIES of Cumberland: Mr. President, I move that the petition of Henry L. Irish and the resolution accompanying the same be indefinitely postponed.

The motion was agreed to.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair would

like to state to the senators that as far forth as possible it is hoped that the chairman of the several committees will arrange for two or more hearings on Tuesday, Feb. 25, which is the date of the visit of Gen. Edwards. He does not arrive here until the 3 30 train and by having one or more hearings, whichever in the judgment of the committee is deemed expedient, we will be able perhaps not to make any assignments for the month of March. I trust the senators will bear this in mind and as far forth as possible endeavor to clear the docket the last week in February.

Mr. BAXTER of Sagadahoc: Mr. President, I move that resolve in favor of the Peoples Ferry Co., now in possession of the House, be recalled and delivered to the secretary of the Senate.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair would state for the information of the senator from Sagadahoc, Senator Baxter, that it is evident the matter was back of yesterday, and during the convention the secretary will look the matter up and inform the senator on our return.

The Chair declared a recess.

After Recess

Senate called to order by the President.

Messages and Documents from Heads of Departments

A communication was received from the State auditor transmitting his biennial report of the financial operations of the State for the past two years.

The report was tabled and 2500 copies ordered printed.

The Senate retired to the hall of the House for the purpose of holding a joint convention.

(For proceedings in joint convention see House report.)

In the Senate

Upon the return of the Senate to its chamber, on motion by Mr. Folsom of Somerset,

Adjourned.