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OF THE

Eighty-Third Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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SENATE

Thursday, February 17, 1927.

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Rev. George Merriam of Skowhegan.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

At this point the Honorable Hodgdon C. Buzzell was escorted to a seat beside the President amid prolonged applause, the members of the Senate rising.

From the House the following order:

Ordered, the Senate concurring, that the thanks of the Senate and House be hereby conveyed to Representatives Rounds and other members of the Portland delegation for the enjoyable banquet tendered to the members of the House and Senate and their ladies Wednesday evening.

In the House, read and passed.

In the Senate, read and passed in concurrence.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

From the House: An Act relating to the tenure of office of the City Clerk of the City of Lewiston. (H. D. 160)

In the House, referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

In the Senate:

Mr. HOLMES of Androscoggin: Mr. President, I move that this bill be indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence and I will state my reason. This might look like unusual procedure. Ordinarily such bills should go to committees but it is at the request of the gentleman who introduced the bill, as the City Clerk of Lewiston does not desire that it should go forward at this time, that my motion is made for the purpose of sending the bill back to the House in order that it may there be indefinitely postponed.

The motion prevailed.

From the House: An Act relating to regulating hunting wild ducks in the waters of Merrymeeting Bay. (H. D. 162)

In the House, referred to the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Slocum of Cumberland, referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game in non-concurrence.

Communication from the Secretary of State

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
STATE OF MAINE

Augusta, February 16, 1927.

To the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Eighty-third Legislature:

I have the honor to herewith transmit the county estimates of the several counties within the State for the years 1927 and 1928, the same having been filed in this office according to the provisions of the Revised Statutes, Chapter 10, Section 71.

EDGAR C. SMITH,
Secretary of State.

Read and referred to the Committee on Counties.

Communications from the Auditor's Office

STATE OF MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF
STATE AUDITOR

Augusta, February 15, 1927.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

I refer to you herewith certain deficiencies, amounting in total to \$20,409.68. These are referred to you under Section 84, of Chapter 2, Revised Statutes which reads in part "* * * * whenever any appropriation or fund is expended all bills and accounts presented to the State Auditor and drawn on said expended appropriation shall not be approved by him, but shall be reported by him to the next session of the Legislature."

In recent years, since the establishment of the State Contingent Fund, the deficiencies so referred to have been smaller in amount than formerly for the reason that most of such deficiencies were paid from said State Contingent Fund. The law authorizes the Governor and Council, where the appropriation is insufficient, "to pay outstanding bills or accounts that were properly chargeable to the several appropriations for the previous fiscal

year ending the thirtieth day of June preceding the time of payment," (Section 3, Chapter 164, Public Laws 1925.) Therefore no claims incurred after June 30, 1925, have been included except \$139.43 for the Commissioner of Education. Inasmuch as lapsed balances of that Department accrue to the school fund and not to the State Contingent Fund. I suggest that in acting upon these, authority to pay, if granted, should require this amount, as well as all other amounts on account of that department, to be deducted from the permanent school fund.

One claim in favor of Ralph Rush, of Benedicta, \$72.00, is for sheep destroyed by bears while being pastured in Township 2, Range 6, Penobscot County. As the law provides that the municipal officers of the town where the animals are destroyed shall make claim for same, and as this is an unorganized place, I had no authority to pay the same.

The bills and correspondence relative to these matters are on file in the office of the State Auditor and will be furnished to the Committee on application.

Very truly yours,

ELBERT D. HAYFORD
State Auditor.

STATE OF MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
AUDITOR

Augusta, February 16, 1927
To the Honorable Senate and House
of Representatives:

I refer to you herewith an additional deficiency amounting to \$2,070.88, to be added to and considered when other deficiencies, now before you, are considered.

This is for services of the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station to the Department of Agriculture in analyzing food, seeds, etc., in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1925.

Very truly yours,

ELBERT D. HAYFORD,
State Auditor.

The two above communications were read and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Sent down for concurrence.

The following bills, petitions, etc., were received and on recommendation by the committee on reference of bills were referred to the following committees:

Agriculture

By Mr. Buzzell of Oxford, An Act to assent to the purpose and provisions of An Act of the Congress of the United States entitled "An Act to authorize the more complete endowment of agricultural experiment stations, and for other purposes." (S. P. 234)

Sent down for concurrence.

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

By Mr. Spear of Cumberland, Resolve in favor of Maine General Hospital for medical or surgical treatment of certain persons. (S. P. 235)

Sent down for concurrence.

Claims

By Mr. Crafts of Piscataquis, Resolve to reimburse Elliottsville Plantation for support of John Lynch, a State pauper. (S. P. 236)

By Mr. Drake of Sagadahoc, Resolve to reimburse the town of Phippsburg for expenses incurred in fighting forest fires by the State Militia. (S. P. 237)

By Mr. Nickerson of Waldo, Resolve in favor of Mrs. Katie Jessemann of Monroe for damages. (S. P. 238)

By Mr. Smith of Somerset, Resolve in favor of the town of Anson. (S. P. 239)

Sent down for concurrence.

Inland Fisheries and Game

By Mr. Morrison of Franklin, Resolve in favor of screening Wilson Lake in the town of Wilton. (S. P. 240)

By the same Senator, An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 71 of the Public Laws of 1925 relating to fishing in certain brooks and streams. (S. P. 241)

By Mr. Smith of Somerset, Remonstrance of Leon Reed of Benton and 175 others, (S. P. 242); remonstrance of Albert Moors of Fairfield and 71 others (S. P. 243); remonstrance of Joseph R. Goodwin of Waterville and 165 others (S. P. 244); remonstrance of Donald Withee of Winslow and 83 others (S. P. 245); remonstrance of Niles Gatlander of Waterville and 47 others (S. P. 246); against the proposed Resident Hunting and Fishing License Law.

By Mr. Spear of Cumberland, Resolve in favor of a feeding station at

the outlet of Sebago Lake. (S. P. 247)

Sent down for concurrence.

Judiciary

By Mr. Crafts of Piscataquis, Remonstrance of Myrtle E. Frye and 73 others of Brownville (S. P. 248); remonstrance of Mary E. Wright of Farmington and 27 others (S. P. 249), against the repeal in any manner of our present Direct Primary Law.

Sent down for concurrence.

Legal Affairs

By Mr. Drake of Sagadahoc, An Act to amend Section 34 of Chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes relating to fire inspector. (S. P. 250)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Holmes of Androscoggin, An Act to amend Section 49 of Chapter 137 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the identification of criminals and suspicious persons. (S. P. 251)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Morrison of Franklin, An Act to extend the charter of the Sandy River and Rangeley Lakes Railway Company. (S. P. 252)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Oakes of Cumberland, An Act to amend Chapter 135 of Section 14 of the Revised Statutes of Maine relating to the taking of bail. (S. P. 253.)

(500 copies ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Library

By Mr. Douglas of Hancock: Resolve for the purchase of one hundred and fifty copies of "Ellsworth, Maine; An History." (H. P. 254.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Salaries and Fees

By Mr. Harriman of Kennebec, An Act relating to the salary of the Commissioner of Agriculture. (S. P. 255.)

By Mr. Nickerson of Waldo, An Act to increase the clerk hire in the Registry of Deeds of Waldo County. (S. P. 256.)

By the same Senator, An Act relating to the salary of the Register of Deeds of Waldo County. (S. P. 257.)

By Mr. Smith of Somerset, An Act to increase the salary of the Judge of the Western Somerset Municipal Court. (S. P. 258.)

Sent down for concurrence.

State Sanatoriums

By Mr. Miner of Washington, Resolve in favor of Western Maine Sanatorium for maintenance, personal services, repairs and equipment. (S. P. 259.)

By the same Senator, Resolve in favor of the Western Maine Sanatorium for the construction of annex to reception room. (S. P. 260.)

By the same Senator, Resolve in favor of the Western Maine Sanatorium for a water tank. (S. P. 261.)

By the same Senator, Resolve in favor of the Northern Maine Sanatorium for maintenance, personal services, repairs and equipment. (S. P. 262.)

By the same Senator, Resolve in favor of the Northern Maine Sanatorium for the construction and equipment of a men's cottage. (S. P. 263.)

By the same Senator, Resolve in favor of the Northern Maine Sanatorium for the construction of a vegetable cellar. (S. P. 264.)

By the same Senator, Resolve in favor of the Northern Maine Sanatorium for the construction of a sprinkler system and standpipe. (S. P. 265.)

By the same Senator, Resolve in favor of the Central Maine Sanatorium for the construction of a laundry and quarters for male employees. (S. P. 266.)

By the same Senator, Resolve in favor of the Central Maine Sanatorium for maintenance, personal services, repairs and equipment. (S. P. 267.)

By the same Senator, Resolve in favor of the Central Maine Sanatorium for the construction and equipment of a nurses home. (S. P. 268.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Ways and Bridges

By Mr. Case of Washington, Resolve in favor of the Ladies' Sidewalk Society of Steuben. (S. P. 269.)

By Mr. Morrison of Franklin, Resolve in favor of Lower Village Bridge in the town of Phillips, Franklin County. (S. P. 270.)

By Mr. Woods of Penobscot, Resolve in favor of the town of Hampden to aid in repair of road. (S. P. 271.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Orders

Mr. Smith of Somerset presented the following order:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that a Committee composed of two Senators appointed by the President of the Senate, three members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House, representing employees and employers subject to the Workmen's Compensation Act and the insurance carriers doing business in the State of Maine, is hereby authorized and directed to make a full investigation of all evidence and phases of the operation, during the last ten years, of the Workmen's Compensation Law of this State, and all elements and phases of the cost of Workmen's Compensation Insurance in this State; and make full report in writing to the Governor on or before October 1, 1928.

Such Committee is hereby given full power to summons witnesses and require the production of papers and documents and records, such witnesses to receive the same attendance fees as obtains in the Supreme Judicial Court.

Such Committee is to serve without pay other than actual expenses and is authorized to employ at the expense of the State all necessary expert or other assistance.

To enable such Committee to perform its duties the Governor and Council are authorized to pay the expenses of this investigation and report, out of any moneys available to the Governor and Council therefor.

Mr. SMITH: I would like to offer at this time a few words of explanation concerning the order.

Fellow members, I wish to state that it has been my privilege to serve many years in the legislature and that during this service of humble activity I have never before introduced an order of investigation. In fact, I do not believe as a rule that this kind of legislation is satisfactory and I would not at this time ask an order, an order thus presented, if it were possible to obtain complete information on this subject in any other way.

Many times I have asked various legislatures to liberalize the Workmen's compensation; have been successful in obtaining various amend-

ments but each request has always been opposed by insurance carriers, these organizations pretending that any effort to raise or liberalize the workmen's compensation would mean higher rates. We are advised that there are many corporations in the State of Maine who insure their employees and give them more liberal compensation than it is possible to obtain under our laws and that these companies effect a very great saving as compared with the prices charged by insurance companies.

We are also informed that the State of Ohio under state insurance returns to employees injured in industry ninety-five cents out of every dollar paid in premiums while according to our understanding of the reports of our insurance commissioner only about sixty-seven cents out of each dollar thus paid is returned to the man or woman injured in industry.

It is difficult for a layman to discuss with insurance companies the figures and facts and conditions leading up to the charges. It is necessary in order to have a complete investigation to have expert consideration, an unbiased actuary to consider this matter and I am pleased to state that both the Federation of Labor and the Industrial Accident Association of Maine are asking for the passage of this order.

We believe that it is time that men and women who give their limbs and lives to industry understand whether they are obtaining a fair deal. We believe it is time for industries, for the employer who seeks to protect his employees to learn whether they are obtaining a square deal. We believe it is time for the consumer, who in the end pays the price of this insurance, to know whether the millions of dollars thus invested are expended prudently.

Mr. President, I wish to state that in no wise does this order seek to bring about state insurance, nor is it intended to wrongfully injure a single individual but we hope as a result of this investigation that our companies may be vindicated for the charges they are making. I trust that this order may have a passage, and so move.

The motion prevailed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Drake of Sagadahoc, it was

Ordered, that five hundred copies be printed of Senate Paper 95, "An Act to Acquire the Property of the Arrowsic Bridge Company and to Provide for the Maintenance of the Arrowsic Bridge as a Free Bridge."

Bills in the First Reading

An Act to Regulate Fishing in the Silver Lakes, so-called, in Manchester, Sidney and Belgrade, in the County of Kennebec. (S. D. 83)

Reports of Committees

Mr. Holmes from the Committee on Legal Affairs, on bill, An Act relative to the sale of spurious oils. (S. D. 34) reported that the same ought not to pass.

Mr. Dwinall, from the same committee, on bill, An Act to amend section 87 of Chapter 86 of the Revised Statutes of 1916, relating to time of filing suit against surgeons, physicians and others (S. D. 25) reported that the same ought not to pass.

The two above reports were severally read and accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Morrison, from the same committee, on bill, An Act to amend Section 77 of Chapter 211 of the Public Laws of 1921, relating to reserved automobile numbers. (S. D. 37) reported the same in a new draft (S. P. 272) under the same title, and that it ought to pass.

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

Mr. Oakes, from the Committee on Judiciary, on bill, An Act to amend Chapter 11 of the Private and Special Laws of 1925, incorporating the Bay Point Village Corporation (S. D. 20) reported that the same ought to pass.

The report was read and accepted, the bill read once and tomorrow assigned.

Passed to be Engrossed

An Act to Establish the Narragansett Game Sanctuary in the town of Gorham. (H. D. 108)

An act relating to the Edward Little Institute and to Appointment of Trustees thereof. (H. D. 107)

An Act to provide for the Retirement of Police Officers and Firemen,

in the city of Westbrook, upon half pay. (S. D. 22)

Orders of the Day

On motion of Mr. Maher of Kennebec the Senate voted to take from the table an act relating to pilots for Port of Portland (S. D. 27), tabled by that senator on February 15th pending first reading.

Mr. MAHER: Mr. President, I will make a further motion and say in support of my motion very briefly that my reason for tabling this was that the act seemed to be unnecessary legislation and it would not be conducive to any particular good and was very much in the nature of class legislation and for the benefit of a very limited number. Therefore, I tabled it in order that those who were particularly interested in the matter and who would be more closely acquainted with conditions might take advantage of the situation should they so desire. However, as there seems to have been nothing but favorable comment regarding it so far as I have been able to ascertain, I move that this bill now have its first reading.

The motion prevailed and the bill was read once and tomorrow assigned.

On motion by Mr. Woods of Penobscot, the Senate voted to take from the table, Resolve authorizing the Governor and Council to sell certain state land in Bangor (H. P. 615) tabled by that senator on February 15th pending reference, and on further motion by the same senator the resolve was referred to the Committee on State Lands and Forest Preservation.

On motion by Mr. Holmes of Androscoggin

Recessed until four-thirty o'clock this afternoon.

After Recess—4:30 P. M.

Senate called to order by the President.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

From the House: Resolve, appropriating money for the Construction and Equipment of a New Wing for the Bangor State Hospital. (S. D. 41).

In the House, that body having reconsidered its former action whereby the resolve was passed to be engrossed, House Amendment A was adopted and the resolve was passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment A.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Perkins of Penobscot, under suspension of the rules, that body reconsidered its former action whereby the resolve was passed to be engrossed, House Amendment A was adopted in concurrence and the resolve was passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment A.

House Bills in the First Reading

An Act relating to Portland Terminal Company. (H. D. 129)

An Act relating to the Civil Jurisdiction of the Piscataquis Municipal Court. (H. D. 126)

An Act to change the name of the Associated Charities to The Family Welfare Society of Portland. (H. D. 130)

An Act relative to automobile plates. (H. D. 131)

An Act to provide a better Government for the town of Bar Harbor. (H. D. 127)

An Act relating to the city of Bangor Water Works Loan Bill. (H. D. 128)

The following bills, petitions, etc., were received and on recommendation by the committee on reference of bills were referred to the following committees:

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

By Mr. Dwinal of Knox, Resolve in favor of the purchase of an engine and equipment for the Department of Sea and Shore Fisheries. (S. P. 326)

By Mr. Buzzell of Oxford, Resolve to celebrate the two hundredth anniversary of the Battle of Lovewells Pond. (S. P. 273)

Sent down for concurrence.

Claims

By Mr. Dunbar of Hancock, Resolve appropriating money to reimburse the town of Orland for support of George Savey. (S. P. 274)

By Mr. Foster of Kennebec, Re-

solve in favor of the town of Orland for money paid for Mothers' Aid. (S. P. 275)

Sent down for concurrence.

Education

By Mr. Dwinal of Knox, Resolve in favor of the Knox Academy of Arts and Sciences. (S. P. 276)

By Mr. Nickerson of Waldo, An Act relating to State School Fund and especially relating to High School tuition by non-resident student. (S. P. 277)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Sent down for concurrence.

Indian Affairs

By Mr. Miner of Washington, Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians at Pleasant Point for general care, maintenance and education thereof. (S. P. 278)

By the same Senator, Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians at Peter Dana's Point, Princeton, for general care, maintenance and education thereof. (S. P. 279)

Sent down for concurrence.

Inland Fisheries and Game

By Mr. Douglas of Hancock, An Act to create a bird sanctuary on Mt. Desert Island in the county of Hancock. (S. P. 280)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Dunbar of Hancock, An Act to protect muskrats in the towns of Bucksport and Orland in the county of Hancock. (S. P. 281)

By Mr. Foster of Kennebec, petition of Joseph L. Bushey and 40 others (S. P. 282); of B. G. Mosher and 20 others (S. P. 283); and of George C. Pressey and 9 others (S. P. 384); to prohibit plug fishing for square-tailed trout and salmon in Great Pond.

By the same Senator, Resolve in favor of a feeding pond for fish at the Belgrade Hatchery. (S. P. 285)

By the same Senator, An Act to prohibit plug fishing for square-tailed trout and land-locked salmon in Great Pond, of the Belgrade Chain of Lakes, which pond it situated in the county of Kennebec. (S. P. 286)

By Mr. Smith of Somerset, An Act establishing Mount Bigelow Game Preserve in the counties of Franklin and Somerset. (S. P. 287)

Sent down for concurrence.

Judiciary

By Mr. Douglas of Hancock, An

Act to incorporate Lucerne-in-Maine Village Corporation. (S. P. 288)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By the same Senator, An Act to incorporate Lucerne-in-Maine Water Company. (S. P. 289)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Drake of Sagadahoc, Resolve providing for approach to Kennebec Bridge, at Bath. (S. P. 290)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Dwinall of Knox, An Act relating to the jurisdiction of the probate court. (S. P. 291)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Woods of Penobscot, An Act relative to enforcement of motor vehicle laws. (S. P. 292)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Oakes of Cumberland, An Act to incorporate the Union Terminal Company. (S. P. 320)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By the same Senator, An Act to incorporate the Kennebeco Lake and Megantic Railroad Company. (S. P. 321)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Smith of Somerset, An Act to incorporate the Marshall Dam and Improvement Company. (S. P. 319)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Mitchell of Aroostook, An Act to incorporate Fish River Power and Storage Company. (S. P. 293)

By Mr. Morrison of Franklin, An Act to incorporate Lemon Stream Log Driving Company. (S. P. 294.)

By Mr. Oakes of Cumberland, An Act to incorporate the Rumford and Bethel Branch Railroad Company. (S. P. 322.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Legal Affairs

By Mr. Drake of Sagadahoc, an act authorizing the transfer of the real estate used as a ferry landing at Bath, Maine, from the State of Maine to the city of Bath. (S. P. 295.)

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Spiers of Cumberland, the Senate voted to reconsider its action whereby this bill was referred to the committee on legal affairs, and on further motion by the same senator the bill was tabled pending reference and 500 copies ordered printed.

By Mr. Foster of Kennebec, an act to amend the charter of Coburn Classical Institute. (S. P. 296.)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By the same senator, an act to establish a board of police for the city of Waterville. (S. P. 297.)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By the same senator, an act relating to the police commission of Lewiston, requiring the commissioners to be appointed by the mayor, and providing a referendum to the people of Lewiston. (S. P. 299.)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Morrison of Franklin, an act to amend Section 5 of Chapter 95 of the Revised Statutes of 1916, in relation to mortgages of real estate. (S. P. 300.)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By the same senator, an act to amend Section 12 of Chapter 78 of the Revised Statutes relative to conveyances. (S. P. 301.)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By the same senator, an act to amend Section 23 of Chapter 176 of the Public Laws of 1925, relating to recording of instruments and conveyances. (S. P. 302.)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Smith of Somerset, an act to repeal the act incorporating the town of Concord. (S. P. 303.)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Sent down for concurrence.

Library

By Mr. Carter of Androscoggin, resolve for the purchase of 250 copies of "The Mother Church." (S. P. 304.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Pension

By Mr. Foster of Kennebec, an act providing compensation for court stenographers upon retiring by reason of disability. (S. P. 305.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Public Utilities

By Mr. Perkins of Penobscot, an act to provide for the inspection of internal combustion engine fuel shipments. (S. P. 306.)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Sent down for concurrence.

Salaries and Fees

By Mr. Dwinall of Knox, an act relating to the clerk hire in the office of the probate court in Knox county. (S. P. 307.)

By Mr. Mitchell of Aroostook, an act relative to an increase in the salary of the judge of the Houlton municipal court. (S. P. 308.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Taxation

By Mr. Oakes of Cumberland, an act relating to exemption of certain property from taxation. (S. P. 323.)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Sent down for concurrence.

Towns

By Mr. Douglas of Hancock, An Act in favor of Hancock in the county of Hancock. (S. P. 324.)
(500 copies ordered printed.)
Sent down for concurrence.

Ways and Bridges

By Mr. Bond of Lincoln, Resolve in favor of the town of Whitefield. (S. P. 309.)

By the same Senator, Resolve in favor of the town of Bristol for a road. (S. P. 310.)

By the same Senator, Resolve in favor of Wiscasset-Edgcomb bridge over Sheepscot Bay, Lincoln County, (S. P. 311.)

By Mr. Bragdon of Aroostook, Resolve in favor of Township Nine, Range Five, Aroostook County. (S. P. 312.)

By Mr. Case of Washington, Resolve in favor of Township No. 14 in Washington County, to aid in building a road. (S. P. 313.)

By the same Senator, Resolve to aid in rebuilding the Blacks Road in Township 10, Hancock County. (S. P. 314.)

By Mr. Dwinal of Knox, an Act in relation to the bridge built across the Kennebec River between Bath and Woolwich. (S. P. 315)

On motion by Mr. Carter of Androscoggin, tabled pending reference.

By the same Senator, Resolve in aid of the town of Hope in the construction of a bridge. (S. P. 316)

By Mrs. Pinkham of Aroostook, Resolve providing for the construction of an international bridge over St. John river between the town of Fort Kent, Aroostook County, Maine, and the Parish of St. Francis, Madawaska County, New Brunswick. (S. P. 317)

By Mr. Slocum, Resolve in favor of the town of Standish. (S. P. 318.)

By Mr. Drake of Sagadahoc, Resolve appropriating money to aid in the construction and maintenance of the Foster's Point Road in the town of West Bath. (S. P. 325.)
Sent down for concurrence.

Reports of Committees

Mr. Dunbar, from the committee on Federal Relations, on bill an act to Provide for the Marking of the Maine and New Hampshire Boundary Line (S. P. 16) reported that the same ought to pass.

The report was read and accepted, and the bill laid upon the table for printing under the joint rules.

Passed to be Enacted

An Act, to Authorize the Town of Boothbay Harbor to Raise Money for the Purpose of Helping Keep in Repair the Old Cemetery in the Town of Boothbay. (H. D. 19)

An act to Change the Name of Division of Maine Sons of Veterans of United States of America to Division of Maine, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. (S. D. 28)

Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Carter of Androscoggin the Senate voted to take from the table An Act relative to right to erect and maintain mills dams and to divert water by a canal for mills. (S. D. 62), tabled by that Senator on February 16th, pending further consideration.

Mr. CARTER: Mr. President, this matter having been referred in the Senate to the Judiciary Committee and in the House to committees on public utilities, interior waters and judiciary, jointly, in non-concurrence, I now move that we insist upon our former action and ask for a committee of conference.

The motion prevailed and the President appointed as members of the committee of conference on the part of the Senate: Senator Maher of Kennebec, Senator Crafts of Piscataquis and Senator Granville of York.

On motion by Mr. Dunbar of Hancock

Adjourned until tomorrow morning, February 18th at ten o'clock.