

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

Seventieth Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1901.

HOUSE.

Monday, March 18.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Struthers of Gardiner.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the joint standing committee on agriculture comes from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules.

In the House the rules were suspended, the resolve was read twice and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of B. Walker McKeen, secretary of the board of agriculture, comes from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules.

In the House the rules were suspended, the resolve was read twice and was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

A message was received from the Senate through Senator Plummer notifying the House that in the absence of the President of the Senate the Honorable Newell P. Noble of Franklin, had been chosen President pro tem.

The following Senate bills and resolves received their various readings and were passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules:

An act to ratify, confirm and define the charter of the York Water Company.

An act to provide for the transfer of patients in insane hospitals.

An act providing that the sheriff of Penobscot county shall not be entitled to a percentage of the fees of his deputies.

An act amending an act creating the Rumford Falls municipal court.

Resolve providing for a topographical survey for the years 1901 and 1902 and for a geological survey, was read and assigned for tomorrow.

An act to authorize the county commissioners of Somerset county to borrow a sum of money with which to build an extension to the court house in Skowhegan in said county. (Tabled pending second reading on motion of Mr. Greene of Madison, and assigned for tomorrow morning.)

Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians.

This bill had been passed to be engrossed in the House and comes from the Senate amended by Senate amendment A.

The House reconsidered the vote whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed, Senate amendment A was adopted, and the bill was then passed to be engrossed in concurrence as amended.

Mr. Beal of Bangor, presented resolve authorizing temporary loan for war purposes for the year 1902. (Referred to committee on financial affairs.)

Mr. Kneeland of Searsport, presented remonstrance of W. T. C. Runnels and 99 other legal voters of Searsport, and 52 women of Searsport, against taking from the Governor the power to appoint officers to enforce the liquor laws of the State in counties where sheriffs and other local officers do not enforce the laws.

Were ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject.

On motion of Mr. Thornton of Ashland,

Ordered, that the State assessors tabulate the information which has been requested from them by the committee on ways and bridges, relating to the bridges of the State, and that the same be referred to the next Legislature and filed with the papers on the same subject.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Pattangall, from the committee on legal affairs, reported ought not to pass on the bill, an act restricting the rights of the Saco Water Company.

Same gentleman, from same committee, reported same on bill, an act for the better protection of travellers.

Same gentleman, from the committee on taxation, on bill, an act additional to Chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes of 1883, providing for a law on direct inheritances, reported that same be referred to the next Legislature.

Same gentleman, from the committee on legal affairs, reported in a new draft bill, an act to secure the preservation of testimony in trials for mur-

der and that it ought to pass. (Printed under joint rules.)

Same gentleman, from same committee, reported in a new draft bill, an act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 315 of the Public Laws of 1897, relative to dead human bodies, and that it ought to pass. (Printed under joint rules.)

Mr. Thornton, from the committee on ways and bridges, reported in a new draft, resolve in favor of aid for ferry boat across St. John river and Little Black river in Allegash plantation, and that it ought to pass. (Printed under joint rules.)

READ AND ASSIGNED.

Resolve in favor of A. J. Cameron.

Resolve in favor of the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum.

Resolve in favor of repairing Mattawamkeag bridge.

Resolve in favor of Maine Industrial School for Girls.

Resolve to provide for the expenses of the Maine Industrial School for Girls.

Resolve in favor of Maine State prison. (Tabled pending second reading for statement of facts on motion of Mr. Chase of Portland.)

Resolve in favor of Rev. C. S. Cummings, chaplain of the 1st Regiment, National Guards.

The following bills and resolves received their several readings and were passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules:

An act to authorize East Machias to aid a general hospital.

An act in relation to the taxing of costs in municipal and police courts.

An act in relation to political caucuses in towns.

An act to amend Section four of Chapter 202 of the Private and Special Laws of 1899, entitled an act for the better protection of sheep in the town of Perry.

An act to amend Sections five, six, seven, seventeen and eighteen of Chapter twenty-three of the Special Laws of 1899, entitled an act to establish a municipal court in the town of Newport.

An act to amend Section one of Chapter seven of the Public Laws of 1887, relating to the salary of the clerk of courts for the county of York.

An act to incorporate the Bethel Sewer Company.

An act to incorporate the Bonny Eagle Power Company, of Standish, Maine.

An act relating to the duties of the board of State assessors.

An act to define the duties of harbor masters in towns and plantations, and for the regulation of harbors and anchorages.

An act to amend Chapter eighty-one of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to certain property ordained for pious uses, the legal custodian of which is unknown.

Resolve in favor of an appropriation for repairs of the Normal school buildings at Gorham. (Tabled pending second reading on motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Bangor, and assigned for Wednesday.)

An act to provide an assistant clerk for the board of railroad commissioners. (Tabled pending third reading on motion of Mr. Skidmore of Liberty, and assigned for Wednesday.)

An act authorizing the inhabitants of Orono to supply the town of Orono with pure water.

Resolve to apportion one hundred and fifty-one representatives among the several counties, cities, towns, plantations and classes in the State of Maine. (Tabled pending second reading on motion of Mr. Webb of Portland.)

An act to incorporate the Bedwick Water Company.

An act to incorporate the Skowhegan Trust Company.

An act to incorporate the Calais Trust Company.

An act to incorporate the Knox Trust and Banking Company.

An act to incorporate the South Portland Trust and Banking Company.

An act to incorporate the Waldo Trust Company.

An act to incorporate the Hallowell Trust Company.

An act to incorporate the York Harbor Village Corporation.

An act in relation to political caucuses in the city of Lewiston. (Tabled pending third reading on motion of Mr. Little of Lewiston.)

An act to regulate the killing of deer in the county of Waldo.

An act relating to the duties and compensation of the reporter of decisions of the supreme judicial court.

An act to amend an act entitled an act to regulate the practice of medicine and surgery. (Tabled pending second reading on motion of Mr. Knowlton of Farmington).

An act in relation to political caucuses in the city of Bangor.

An act to amend Section four of Chapter one hundred and thirty-two of the Revised Statutes, relating to the criminal jurisdiction of magistrates.

An act to amend Chapter 66 of the Public Laws of 1899, relating to the jurisdiction of municipal police courts.

An act to amend Chapter 66 of the Public Laws of 1899, relating to the jurisdiction of municipal and police courts.

An act to establish a State flag.

An act to incorporate the Prouts Neck Water Company.

An act to amend Section 145 of Chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter 174 of the Public Laws of 1893, entitled an act relating to exceptions and stenographers.

An act to fix the compensation of the county commissioners of the county of Androscoggin.

An act relative to actions for libel.

An act to open Main stream, a tributary of Moose pond, above the dam near the outlet to fishing.

An act additional to and amendatory of Chapter 230 of the Private and Special Laws of 1901, relating to ice fishing in Boyd lake in the county of Piscataquis.

An act to protect screens in lakes, erected by authority of the State, and to permit ice fishing in Green lake, in the county of Hancock.

An act to establish a municipal court in the town of Skowhegan.

An act allowing the propagation of beaver in the waters of Enchanted stream, Somerset county.

An act to amend Chapter 213 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, authorizing Simeon G. Davis, his associates and assigns, to construct and maintain a wharf and boat house in Lake Maranacook, in the town of Winthrop.

An act to prevent the taking of fish from Ross and Conroy lakes, in Littleton and Monticello, in the county of Aroostook.

An act authorizing the construction of a wharf into the tide waters of Casco bay in Phippsburg, county of Sagadahoc.

An act to amend Chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes relating to the Maine Industrial School for Girls.

An act to supply the town of Lubec with pure water.

An act for the further protection of fish weirs. (Tabled pending second reading on motion of Mr. Bradford of Eastport, and assigned for Wednesday afternoon.)

Resolve in favor of purchasing an oil painting of the old State House.

PASSED TO BE ENACTED.

An act to amend an act to establish a police court in the city of Rockland, approved March 14, 1861.

An act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 84 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the taking of smelts in the bays, harbors and coves in the town of Surry.

An act to authorize George H. Hunt to erect and maintain a wharf into the tide waters of the St. Croix river in the town of Robbinston, county of Washington.

An act relating to the Maine State Sanatorium Association.

An act to incorporate the Bristol Electric Light and Power Company.

An act to authorize Warren Sawyer to build and maintain a wharf in the tide waters in the town of Milbridge, county of Washington.

An act relating to Sheridan plantation.

An act to allow larger lots to be taken for school purposes and to shorten the time allowed owners thereof for appeal.

An act authorizing the Fryeburg Horse Railroad Company to maintain steamboats upon the waters of Upper Kezar pond.

An act to amend Section 14 of Chapter 116 of the Revised Statutes, relating to fees and costs.

An act to incorporate the Masonic Trustees of Fairfield.

An act to authorize the Penobscot Log Driving Company to rebuild and raise the height of North Twin Dam, or to build a new dam to take the place of said North Twin Dam.

An act to cede to the United States jurisdiction over certain lands in Rockland harbor in the city of Rockland.

An act to incorporate the trustees of Lincoln Lodge, No. 90, Knights of Pythias.

An act to regulate proceedings on Certiorari.

An act to cede to the United States jurisdiction over certain land in Augusta.

An act to extend the charter of the St. Croix Water Power Company.

An act relating to fees and taxable costs allowed to prevailing parties.

An act to incorporate the Solon Academy.

An act to amend Chapter 128 of the Private and Special Laws of 1879, entitled an act to incorporate the Eliot Bridge Company.

An act amendatory of Chapter 508 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885, establishing a municipal court in the town of Norway, relating to the jurisdiction thereof.

An act to amend Section 23 of Chapter 137 of the Public Laws of 1887, entitled an act to abolish imprisonment for debt except in cases of fraud.

An act additional to Chapter 85 of the Revised Statutes, regulating the costs of parties summoned as trustees.

An act to authorize the Linn Woolen Company to make, generate, sell, distribute and supply gas and electricity.

An act to extend the charter of the Sebasticook Manufacturing and Water Power Company.

An act to incorporate the Camden Trust Company.

An act to incorporate the East Pitts-ton Village Corporation.

An act to amend an act to establish a municipal court in the town of Waterville.

An act relating to life insurance on the assessment plan.

An act to amend Section 77 of Chapter 49 of the Revised Statutes, relating to insurance.

An act to authorize the Bangor & Aroostook Railroad Company to issue consolidated bonds and secure the same by mortgage.

An act to ratify the lease of the Pat-ten and Sherman Railroad to the Ban-gor and Aroostook Railroad Company.

An act to extend the charter of the Manufacturers' Trust Company.

An act to incorporate the Bangor Loan and Trust Company.

An act authorizing the employment of deputy fish wardens by the commis-sioner of sea and shore fisheries and by the commissioners of inland fisher-ies and game.

An act to amend Section 63 of Chap-ter 3 of the Revised Statutes as amend-ed by Chapter 334 of the Public Laws of 1885 relating to fish weirs and wharves.

An act for the protection of salmon, alewives and smelts in Pleasant river, Washington county.

An act to fix the salary of the reg-ister of probate in and for the county of Washington.

An act to amend Section 35 of Chap-ter 285 of the Public Laws of 1897, en-titled an act to revise and consolidate the Public Laws relating to sea and shore fisheries, as amended by Chap-ter 92 of the Public Laws of 1899.

FINALLY PASSED.

Resolve in favor of Farmington State Normal school. (Tabled and as-signed for Wednesday on motion of Mr. Beal of Bangor.)

Resolve in favor of William J. Math-ews of Searsport, Maine.

Resolve in favor of legislative com-mittee and members of the Senate and House authorized to visit the Uni-versity of Maine.

Resolve in favor of a ferry boat across the Fish river and to aid in building a road in Wallagrass planta-tion.

Resolve authorizing the compilation and publication of the insurance laws of Maine.

Resolve in favor of the committee on insane hospitals.

Resolve in favor of the committee on education.

Resolve in favor of the town of Meddybemps.

Resolve relating to township 5, range 8, west of the east line of the State, in the county of Penobscot.

Resolve in favor of William J. May-bury, surgeon general, National Guard State of Maine.

Resolve for the purchase of the Maine State Year Book and Legislative Manual for the years 1901 and 1902.

An act to establish a municipal court in the town of Winthrop.

On motion of Mr. Carleton of Winthrop, the vote was reconsidered whereby this bill was passed to be enacted.

Mr. Carleton moved to amend by striking out Section 17 and inserting: "This act shall take effect when the judge provided for in this act has been appointed and qualified according to the constitution and the laws of this State."

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

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

On motion of Mr. Skidmore of Liberty, bill, an act to provide an assistant clerk for the board of railroad commissioners was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. Pettingill of Rumford, the bill received its third reading and was passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Carleton of Winthrop, the vote was reconsidered whereby bill relating to salaries of the justices of the supreme judicial court was assigned for Tuesday, March 19th.

On motion of Mr. Walker of Starks, this bill was made a special assignment for Wednesday, March 20th.

On motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Bangor, the order relative to taking unassigned matters from the calendar was taken from the table.

Mr. Carleton offered an amendment by inserting "Wednesday, March 20th," instead of "Thursday," the time stated in the order.

The amendment was adopted and the order then received a passage as amended.

On motion of Mr. Chase of Portland, bill amending Section 11 of Chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 42 of the Public Laws of 1899, was taken from the table.

Mr. Carleton of Winthrop, offered an amendment, inserting after the figures "1899" in the title of the act the following "relating to close time for game birds."

The amendment was adopted, the bill read the third time and was passed to be engrossed as amended.

On motion of Mr. Fellows of Bucksport, bill amending law relative to campfires was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. Fellows the vote was reconsidered whereby this bill was assigned for Tuesday.

Mr. Shaw of Bath offered amendment "A," to strike out in the 29th line of Section 5 the word "constructed" and insert in place thereof the word "construed."

The amendment was adopted and the bill was then passed to be engrossed as amended.

On motion of Mr. Chase of Portland, resolve in favor of Lee Normal Academy was taken from the table.

On further motion by Mr. Chase the vote was reconsidered whereby this resolve was assigned for Wednesday.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Hollis, the resolve was laid on the table.

Mr. Gardner of Patten doubted the vote and called for a division.

The motion to lay on the table prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Libbey of South Berwick,

Adjourned.