

LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

Seventieth Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1901.

SENATE.

Augusta, Feb. 6, 1901.

Senate met according to adjournment and was called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Ringgold of Gardiner.

Journal read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Buck of Hancock —Bill, an act to regulate the practice of embalming and transportation of dead bodies of persons who have died of infectious diseases, which came from the House referred to the Committee on Judiciary, was laid on the table to be printed pending its reference to the committee.

On motion by Mr. Staples of Knox— Two remonstrances against the granting of a charter to the town of Camden for water works, which came from the House referred to the Committee on Judiciary, were laid on the table until tomorrow.

Mr. STAPLES of Knox—I think I shall be able tomorrow to satisfy the Senate that these remonstrances should not be referred to the Judiciary Committee or to any other committee.

READ AND ASSIGNED.

An act to authorize Charles H. Mansfield to maintain a wharf into the tide waters of Moosabec Reach in the town of Jonesport, county of Washington.

An act to incorporate the Searsport Water Company.

Resolve, for the purpose of redeeming outstanding pledges in favor of Eastern Maine Insane Hospital.

On the foregoing resolve the Senate concurred with the House on the adoption of House amendments A and B.

Resolve, providing for the payment to the town of Bucksport the amount deducted from said town's proportion of the school fund for the year 1899 on account of imperfect school returns.

An act to extend the time of construction of the Boothbay Railroad,

An act to incorporate the Pushaw Lake Railway.

An act to incorporate the Machias Banking Company.

Resolves, providing for the preservation of Regimental Rolls in the Adjutant-General's office.

An act to amend chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 42 of the Public Laws of 1899, pertaining to Inland Fisheries and Game.

Bill, an act to prohibt ice fishing in Sabbath Day lake in the town of New Gloucester, Cumberland county. This bill came from the House indefinitely postponed, and,

On motion by Mr. Virgin of Cumberland the vote whereby the bill had passed to be engrossed was reconsidered; and on the farther motion of that Senator the Senate concurred with the House in indefinitely postponing the bill.

The following bills, petitions, etc., were presented and referred:

JUDICIARY.

By Mr. Bryant of Somerset—Resolve, asking for passage of a law allowing the County Commissioners of Somerset county to borrow a sum of money with which to build an extension to the court house in said county.

RAILROADS, TELEGRAPHS AND EXPRESSES.

By Mr. Buck of Hancock-Bill, an act to extend the charter of the Castine Railway and Navigation Company.

TOWNS.

By Mr. Morrison of York-Bill, an act to incorporate the town of Millinocket.

TAXATION.

By Mr. McFadden of Lincoln—Petition of Ephraim Burnham and 35 others of Edgecomb asking for the passage of Senate Bill No. 4.

Also petition of Elisha Meservy and 22 others, citizens of Dresden, for same.

Also petition of John S. Snow and 37 others, citizens of Dresden, for same.

By Mr. Fernald of Androscoggin-Petition of A. M. Fogg and 46 others of the town of Hebron in favor of equalization of taxation. Also petition of D. N. Osgood and 36 others of the town of Turner for same.

KENNEBEC COUNTY DELEGATION.

By Mr. Vickery of Kennebec—Bill, an act to fix the salary of the Judge of Probate for Kennebec county.

Also petition of A. M. Spear and 9 others praying for increase of the salary of Judge of Probate for Kennebec county.

Also petition of Orville D. Baker and 39 others for same.

On motion by Mr. Morrison of York —Bill, an act to amend chapter 266 of the Public Laws of 1898, as amended by chapter 128 of the Public Laws of 1899 relating to the militia, was laid upon the table for printing, pending its reference to the committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Rankin for the Committee nπ Financial Affairs, to which was referred resolve in favor of the St. Elizabeth Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum of Portland, reported same ought to pass. Resolve tabled for printing under the joint rules.

Mr. Bryant for the Committee on Financial Affairs to which was referred resolve in favor of the Temporary Home for Women and Children at Portland, reported that same ought to pass. Resolve tabled for printing under the joint rules.

Mr. Hodsdon for the Committee on Taxation which was instructed by order of the Legislature to inquire into the expediency of a tax on ice fields and stored ice, reported legislation thereon inexpedient.

PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.

Bill, an act to supply the town of Dexter with pure water.

Bill, an act to extend the charter of the Kennebec and Franklin Railway.

Bill, an act to prohibit the pursuit and killing of duck and other water fowl by the use of launches or other craft propelled by other than hand power.

Bill, an act to regulate fishing in the lower Wilson pond, Prong pond and Horsehoe pond.

Resolve to apportion State Senators to the Legislature.

An act amending chapter 365 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, in relation to the Rumford Falls Light and Water Co.

An act permitting ice fishing in Cochnewagon pond in Monmouth.

An act relating to agents of domestic mutual fire insurance companies.

An act additional to chapter 333 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, relating to the United Gas and Electric Co.

An act to amend chapter 154 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the charter of the Wiscasset Water Co.

An act to amend an act to authorize the city of Portland to appoint com-. missioners of cemeteries and public grounds.

An act to legalize the doings of the meeting of school district No. 16 in the town of Stonington.

An act to amend section 19 of chapter 118 of the Revised Statutes relating to offenses against the lives and persons of individuals.

PASSED TO BE ENACTED.

An act to amend Section 47 of Chapter 77 of the Revised Statutes in relation to the terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in the county of Oxford.

An act to authorize the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company to purchase the Bangor and Katahdin Iron Works Railroad.

An act to build a bridge across the bar between Mount Desert Island and Bar Island in the county of Hancock.

An act to regulate winter fishing and to close the tributaries of certain lakes and ponds in Piscataquis county.

An act to regulate fishing in Wilson river in Piscataguis county.

An act to amend and extend the charter of the Strong Water Company.

An act authorizing the construction of a wharf into the tide waters of Penobscot river in Verona, Maine.

An act relating to Compressed Air Company of Massachusetts.

FINALLY PASSED.

Resolve in relation to extra pay of Maine Volunteers in the war with Spain.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY.

On motion by Mr. Staples of Knox— Bill, an act relating to the taxation of mortgaged real estate was taken from the table, and on the further motion of that Senator the same was referred to the Committee on Taxation.

Мr Virgin of Cumberland-Mr. President, The Senate, yesterday, voted that it should pass to be engrossed, bill, an act to incorporate the trustees of Leavitt Institute in the town of Turner: and I wish to say, in that connection, we find there is now contemplated a large number of special charters incorporating educational institutions. The Judiciary Committee are satisfied that all such institutions can be incorporated under the gen-· eral·law: For that reason, and after consultation with the members of the House who introduced the bill, I move that the Senate now reconsider the vote whereby that bill was passed to be engrossed.

The motion prevailed, and on the further motion of that Senator the bill was laid upon the table.

On motion by Mr. Plummer of Penobscot, Senate Document No. 32 being an itemized account of all moneys expended for the years 1899 and 1900 in the investigation of fires in Maine, etc., was taken from the table, and on the further motion of that Senator the same was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

On motion by Mr. Fernald of Androscoggin, bill, amending Public Laws of 1899, relating to duties and powers of game wardens, was taken from the table to be printed pending reference.

On motion of Mr. Stearns of Oxford, the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE.

Wednesday, Feb. 6.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Robbins of Gardiner.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

The following Senate bill was read and assigned:

An act to amend chapter 16 of the Private and Special Laws of 1853, entitled, an act to incorporate the North Yarmouth Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

The following petition, bills, etc., were presented and referred:

JUDICIARY.

By Mr. Haskell of Lewiston—Petition of H. M. Ross and 78 others of Lewiston in favor of full suffrage for women.

By Mr. White of East Machias—Petition of citizens of Dennysville for change of S. J. C. in county of Washington.

By Mr. Thompson of Bristol—Bill, an act to incorporate the Bristol Electric Light and Power Company.

LEGAL AFFAIRS.

By Mr. Kneeland of Searsport—Petition of Frank H. Park and 39 others of Searsport requesting repeal of section 62, chapter 27, Revised Statutes, as amended by section 7, chapter 366, Public Laws of 1885, relating to State constables.

By Mr. Walter of Waldoboro-Remonstrance of John Burnheimer and 46 others against the bill to extend the charter of the Waldoboro Water and Electric Light and Power Company.

By Mr. Williams of Sangerville— Bill, an act to amend chapter 27, Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 277, Public Laws of 1889 and by chapter 258, Public Laws of 1897.

By Mr. Gardner of Patten-Bill, an act to amend section 2 of chapter 315 of the Public Laws of 1897 relative to dead human bodies.

By Mr. Allen of Sanford—Bill, an act to incorporate the Sanford Trust Company.

By Mr. Dearborn of Parsonsfield— Bill, an act for the better preservation of highways and accommodating public travel.