

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

Seventy-First Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1903.

SENATE.

Thursday, January 8th, 1903.

Senate called to order by the President. Prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Livingston of Augusta.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. Wilson of Washington, for the committee to which was referred the returns of the votes cast for Senators in the several districts at the State election, held September 8, 1892, and the special election held in the fourth senatorial district, December 22, 1902, reported that the committee had attended to their duty and asked leave to report as follows:

The following persons have received a plurality of the votes cast in their respective senatorial districts and are therefore elected senators, namely:

First Senatorial District.

George E. Morrison, Saco; Freeman E. Rankin, Wells; Oliver C. Titcomb, Acton.

Second Senatorial District.

Harry R. Virgin, Portland; Thurston S. Burns, Westbrook; Winburn M. Staples, Bridgton; Charles H. Randall, Portland.

Third Senatorial District.

John M. Philbrook, Bethel.

Fourth Senatorial District.

George C. Wing, Auburn; Walter E. Plummer, Lisbon.

Fifth Senatorial District.

George M. Currier, Farmington.

Sixth Senatorial District.

John S. Hyde, Bath.

Seventh Senatorial District.

Rutilus Aiden, Winthrop, C. C. Libby, Pittston; Joseph H. Manley, Augusta.

Eighth Senatorial District.

Edmund C. Bryant, Pittsfield; Forrest Goodwin, Skowhegan.

Ninth Senatorial District.

Frank E. Guernsey, Dover.

Tenth Senatorial District.

Isaiah K. Stetson, Bangor; Halbert P. Gardner, Patten; Amos W. Knowlton, Newburgh.

Eleventh Senatorial District.

Luther Maddocks, Boothbay Harbor.

Twelfth Senatorial District.

L. M. Staples, Washington.

Thirteenth Senatorial District.

Lucius C. Morse, Liberty.

Fourteenth Senatorial District.

Albert R. Buck, Orland; Edward S. Clark, Eden.

Fifteenth Senatorial District.

Emerson K. Wilson, Cherryfield; Bion M. Pike, Lubec.

Sixteenth Senatorial District.

Albert A. Burleigh, Houlton; J. W. Dudley, Castle Hill Pl.; Howard Pierce, Ft. Kent.

(Signed)

WILSON,
BRYANT,
RANKIN,
DUDLEY,
MADDOCKS,
CURRIER,
PLUMMER.

and the report was accepted.

Mr. Morrison of York for the joint select committee to which were referred the returns of votes for Governor for the political years of 1903, 1904, reported that the committee had attended to its duties and asks leave to report that the whole number of votes returned for Governor is 109,820
John F. Hill has 65,404
Samuel W. Gould has 38,021
James Perrigo has 4423
Charles L. Fox has 1964
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(Signed)

GEORGE E. MORRISON,
Chairman on part of the Senate,
and HENRY W. OAKES,
Chairman on part of the House.

Report accepted and sent down for concurrence. The President subsequently announced that the House had concurred in the foregoing report.

On motion by Mr. Buck of Hancock it was Ordered, That a committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to wait upon Hon. John F. Hill and inform him that he has been duly elected Governor for the current political years 1903 and 1904.

The President thereupon appointed

as such committee on the part of the Senate, Messrs. Buck of Hancock, Staples of Knox and Morse of Waldo.

The President announced that the foregoing order presented by the senator from Hancock had come back from the House concurred in on the part of the House, and the committee joined on the part of the House.

Mr. Buck of Hancock thereafter reported that the committee appointed to notify the Governor-elect that he had been elected had attended to that duty and that the Governor-elect was pleased to inform them that he accepted the office and would attend upon the joint session of the two Houses of the Legislature at such time as may be assigned for the purpose of taking and subscribing to the oaths required by the constitution for the performance of his official duties.

On motion by Mr. Randall of Cumberland it was Ordered, That a message be sent to the House of Representatives proposing a convention of both branches of the Legislature forthwith in the hall of the House, for the purpose of administering to the Hon. John F. Hill, Governor-elect, the oath required by the constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

And the Secretary was thereupon appointed to bear the said message and subsequently reported that he had conveyed the same to the House.

A message was thereafter received from the House, conveyed by Mr. Cotton, its clerk, as follows:

"I am charged with a message from the House to inform this body of the concurrence of the House in the proposition to hold a convention this day forthwith in the Representatives' Hall for the purpose of administering to the Hon. John F. Hill, Governor-elect, the necessary oaths of office."

The Senate then proceeded to the Representatives' Hall, where a convention was formed.

On the return of the Senate to their chamber upon motion by Mr. Burrell of Aroostook it was Ordered, That eight hundred copies of the Governor's message be printed for the use of the Senate.

On motion by Mr. Maddocks of Lincoln, it was Ordered, That the Secre-

tary of the Senate make up the pay of Walter B. Clarke, the retiring assistant secretary for the same sum as that paid the retiring assistant secretary of four years ago, for services rendered preparatory to and during the organization of the present Legislature, and rendered during the present session.

On motion by Mr. Guernsey of Piscataquis, it was Ordered, That a joint select committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to consider the Governor's message, and report a reference of its several subjects to appropriate committees.

On motion by Mr. Alden of Kennebec, it was Ordered, The House concurring, that the business of the last session of the Legislature referred to this, be taken from the files and referred to the appropriate committees.

On motion by Mr. Morse of Waldo, it was,

Ordered: That a joint select committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join be appointed to receive proposals from the publishers of the Maine State Year Book, for furnishing the State with a sufficient number of copies for the years 1903 and 1904.

One motion by Mr. Dudley of Aroostook, it was, Ordered: That the sum of thirty dollars and the usual mileage be paid to Hall C. Dearborn of Newburg, for services during the organization of this Legislature.

On motion by Mr. Morrison of York, it was,

Ordered: That the sum of thirty dollars, and usual mileage be paid to John D. Buck of Orland and Allen Clark of Poland for services during the organization of this Legislature.

On motion by Mr. Morrison of York, it was,

Ordered: That a joint select committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed a committee on salaries.

The foregoing order was subsequently concurred in by the House.

On motion by Mr. Goodwin of Somerset, it was,

Ordered the House concurring, that a joint special committee of three on the

part of the senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to be designated as the committee on revision of the statutes.

The foregoing order was subsequently concurred in by the House.

On motion by Mr. Manley of Kennebec, it was,

Ordered, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet on Wednesday, January 14, at 10.30 o'clock, A. M.

The foregoing order was subsequently concurred in by the House.

The secretary of the Senate then read the list of joint standing committees and also the Senate standing committees. (For the joint committees see House report.)

The Senate Standing committees are as follows:

Committee on Bills in the Second Reading.

Rankin of York, Wilson of Washington, Bryant of Somerset, Guernsey of Piscataquis, Gardner of Penobscot, Philbrook of Oxford, Maddocks of Lincoln, Libby of Kennebec, Currier of Franklin, Randall of Cumberland, Pierce of Aroostook, Plummer of Androscoggin.

Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Morrison of York, Pierce of Aroostook, Bryant of Somerset, Alden of Kennebec, Burleigh of Aroostook, Staples of Knox, Stetson of Penobscot, Clark of Hancock, Hyde of Sagadahoc, Morse of Waldo, Pike of Washington, Knowlton of Penobscot.

The President appointed on the part of the Senate, as members of the joint special committee on the revision of the statutes, Messrs. Goodwin of Somerset, Wing of Androscoggin, Pierce of Aroostook.

Also, on the part of the Senate, as members of the committee on salaries, Messrs. Morrison of York, Burleigh of Aroostook and Stetson of Penobscot.

Also, on the part of the Senate, as members of the committee on year book, Messrs. Morse of Waldo, Knowlton of Penobscot and Wing of Androscoggin.

Also, on the part of the Senate, as members of the committee on the Governor's message, Messrs. Guernsey of

Piscataquis, Alden of Kennebec and Pierce of Aroostook.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, as follows:

STATE OF MAINE.

Office of Secretary of State,
January 7th, 1903.

To the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives:

I have the honor to transmit to your Honorable body the report of Hon. John A. Morrill, Commissioner on the Revision of the Statutes.

Your obedient servant,

BYRON BOYD,

Secretary of State.

On motion by Mr. Goodwin of Somerset,

The communication was referred to the Committee on the Revision of the Statutes.

On motion by Mr. Clark of Hancock it was Ordered, That a message be sent to the House of Representatives proposing that the two branches of the Legislature convene in the hall of the House for the purpose of electing a Secretary of State, a State Treasurer, Attorney General, State assessor, State printer, State binder and seven Executive Councillors.

And the Secretary of the Senate was charged with the delivery of said message. The Secretary subsequently reported that he had delivered the message.

A message was received from the House conveyed by Mr. Cotton, its clerk, as follows:

"I am charged with a message from the House to inform this body of the concurrence of the House in the proposition to hold a convention forthwith in the Hall of the House for the purpose of electing a secretary of State, State Treasurer, Attorney General, State Assessor, State printer, State binder and seven Executive Councillors."

The Senate thereupon proceeded to the Representatives hall, where a convention was formed.

On the return of the Senate to their Chamber,

On motion by Mr. Pierce of Aroostook, the senate adjourned to Wednesday, January 14th, at 10.30, A. M.