

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

**Seventy-First Legislature**

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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1903.

**SENATE.**

Wednesday, March 18, 1903.

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Plummer of Hallowell.

Journal of the previous session read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

**Read and Assigned.**

An Act relating to the election of treasurer and collector of taxes of the city of Augusta. (Under suspension of the rules, this bill took its second reading, and was passed to be engrossed).

An Act to amend the charter of the Lubec Water Company. (Under suspension of the rules, took its second reading, and was passed to be engrossed).

An Act to amend An Act to establish a municipal court for the town of Brunswick.

An Act relating to the claims against estates of deceased persons.

An Act to regulate the sale or exchange of mortgaged personal property. (House amendment A adopted in concurrence).

An Act authorizing the town of Madison to purchase with the town of Anson in the county of Somerset the Norridgewock Falls Bridge.

An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 284 of the Public Laws of 1893 relating to ways.

An Act to extend the time for the acceptance of the charter of the city of Dexter.

An Act to authorize the town of Madison to purchase the Norridgewock Falls Bridge.

An Act authorizing the sale of the Norridgewock Falls Bridge.

An Act to incorporate the Mount Auburn Cemetery Company.

An Act to amend Chapter 385 of the Public Laws of 1895 relating to electric posts and wires.

An Act to establish an additional normal school to be located at Presque Isle in the county of Aroostook (House amendment A adopted in concurrence). On motion by Mr. Pierce of Aroostook

the bill took its second reading, under suspension of the rules, and pending its passage to be engrossed, on motion by Mr. Gardner of Penobscot, the bill was tabled, and Friday of this week assigned for its consideration.

Resolve in favor of George B. Haskell, Jacob R. Little and Stephen J. Kelley, in payment of witnesses', magistrates' and officers' fees and disbursements made by them in the city of Lewiston contested election case.

Resolve in favor of Maine House for Boys.

Resolve in favor of the Augusta City Hospital. On motion by Mr. Manley of Kennebec, this resolve took its second reading, under suspension of the rules, and was passed to be engrossed.

Resolve in favor of Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary. On motion by Mr. Manley of Kennebec this resolve took its second reading under suspension of the rules, and was passed to be engrossed.

Resolve in favor of Maine Industrial School for girls.

Resolve in favor of Eastern Maine General Hospital. On motion by Mr. Stetson of Penobscot, this resolve took its second reading under suspension of the rules, and was passed to be engrossed.

Resolve in favor of the Central Maine General Hospital. On motion by Mr. Burns of Cumberland, this resolve took its second reading under suspension of the rules, and was passed to be engrossed.

Resolve in favor of hospital for the Society of Sisters of Charity of Lewiston. On motion by Mr. Rankin of York this resolve took its second reading under suspension of the rules, and was passed to be engrossed.

Resolve for the repairs of highways in Upton Plantation. On motion by Mr. Philbrook of Oxford this resolve took its second reading under suspension of the rules, and was passed to be engrossed.

An Act to authorize the Augusta Trust Company to increase its capital stock.

An Act extending the charter of the Waldo County Trust Company.

An Act to extend and amend the charter of the Bangor Loan and Trust Company.

An Act to amend the charter of the Dead River Log Driving Company.

An Act to amend the charter of the Moose River Log Driving Company.

An Act regulating fishing in the streams in Salem and Strong in Franklin County.

An Act to permit ice-fishing in Pease pond on Saturdays of each week during certain months.

An Act to amend Section 43 of Chapter 284 of the Public Laws of 1901.

An Act to amend Chapter 149 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895 entitled An Act to divide the town of Sullivan and incorporate the town of Sorrento. On motion by Mr. Morrison of York this bill was laid on the table, and Thursday of this week assigned for its consideration.

An Act to amend Chapter 365 of the Private and Special Laws of 1899 entitled An Act to regulate the apportionment of members of the police force of the city of Bangor.

An Act to regulate the Messalonskee Electric Company. On motion of Mr. Manley of Kennebec this bill was laid on the table and assigned for tomorrow.

An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 172 of the Private and Special Laws of 1899 relating to lobster traps in Pigeon Hill bay.

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

By Mr. Bryant, Resolves in favor of the Committee on Reform School. On motion by the same senator, the bill took its several readings without reference to a committee, and was passed to be engrossed.

#### **Inland Fisheries and Game.**

By Mr. Morse of Waldo, petition of W. I. Neal and 17 others of Waldo in the county of Waldo, prohibiting the throwing of sawdust and other mill refuse into the Ellis stream in Waldo, Brooks and Belfast.

By Mr. Staples of Knox, remonstrance of Arthur Payson and 68 others of Union, Maine, protesting against any law being enacted prohibiting the throwing of sawdust into the tributaries of Crawford pond and Seven Tree pond in Union and Warren.

#### **Judiciary.**

By Mr. Gardner of Penobscot, Bill, An Act in relation to criminal offences committed on railroads.

#### **Orders.**

On motion by Mr. Randall of Cumberland, it was, Ordered, the House concurring, that five hundred of the three thousand copies ordered of the proceedings in joint assembly relating to the late Thomas B. Reed be bound in board covers.

On motion by Mt. Stetson of Penobscot, it was, Ordered, that two members on the part of the Senate to be joined to those appointed on the part of the House on the committee to inquire into the amount of compensation received by the State and county officials whose salaries are determined by the Legislature, agreeable to House order concurred in by the Senate, March 4, 1903.

On motion by Mr. Buck of Hancock, it was, Ordered, that 700 copies be printed of bill to prevent the destruction of fish in Eastern Penobscot river in the town of Orland.

#### **Reports of Committees.**

Mr. Wilson, for the Committee on Education, on Resolve in aid of St. Joseph's Academy, reported same ought not to pass. Report accepted.

Mr. Goodwin for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, on Bill, An Act to repeal Chapter 70 of the Revised Statutes relating to insolvency, reported same ought not to pass. Report accepted.

Mr. Goodwin, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, on Bill, An Act to repeal Sections 1 to 47 inclusive and Sections 49 to 82 inclusive of Chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes relating to banks and discount, reported same ought to pass. Bill tabled for printing under the joint rules.

Mr. Goodwin for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes reported resolve to pay for printing and binding of the report of John A. Merrill, commissioner for the revision and consolidation of the Public Laws made to the present Legislature, and that same ought to pass. Report accepted. Under Rule 18 referred to the Committee

on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

The same Senator for the same committee reported Bill, An Act to amend Section 15 of Chapter 132 of the Revised Statutes relating to appeals from magistrates in criminal cases. Report accepted. Bill tabled for printing under the joint rules.

The same Senator, for the same committee reported Bill, An Act to amend Section 4, Section 11, Section 19 of Chapter 118 of the Public Laws of 1891 as amended by Chapter 154 of the Public Laws of 1895 relating to the return of vital statistics, and that the same ought to pass. Report accepted. Bill tabled for printing under the joint rules.

The same Senator for the same committee, on Bill, An Act to amend Section 30 of Chapter 27 of the Revised Statutes relating to intoxicating liquors as amended by Chapter 366 of the Public Laws of 1885, and to amend Section 31 of said chapter as amended by Chapter 140 of the Laws of 1887, Chapter 112 of the Laws of 1891 and Chapter 307 of the Laws of 1893, and to amend Section 38 of said Chapter and Section 40 of said Chapter as amended by Chapter 140 of the Public Laws of 1887 and Chapter 132 of the Public Laws of 1891, reported same in new draft under title of An Act to amend Section 38 of Chapter 27 of the Revised Statutes and Section 48 of Chapter 27 of the Revised Statutes and Section 40 of Chapter 27 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter 140 of the Public Laws of 1887 and Chapter 132 of the Public Laws of 1891 relating to intoxicating liquors and that the same ought to pass. Report accepted. Bill tabled for printing under the joint rules.

The same Senator, for the same committee on Bill, An Act to amend Sections 32, 33, 34, and 35 of Chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes relating to the assessment of damages upon abutters on city streets, reported same ought to pass. Report accepted. Bill tabled for printing under the joint rules.

Mr. Stetson, for the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, on petition of H. W. Atwood and 60 others in favor

of repealing the law closing streams flowing into Sebec lake to fishing, reported Bill, An Act opening certain tributaries to Sebec lake to fishing under the general law, and that it ought to pass. Report accepted. Bill tabled for printing under the joint rules.

Mr. Euck for the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries, on Bill, An Act to amend Chapter 495 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893 relating to the destruction of fish in the Eastern Penobscot river in the town of Orland, reported bill, in new draft under title of An Act to amend Chapter 495 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893 relating to the destruction of fish in the Eastern Penobscot river in the town of Orland, and that it ought to pass. Report accepted. Bill tabled for printing under the joint rules.

The same senator, for the Committee on State Prison, on order of the Legislature relating to lighting and heating the State Prison, reported Resolve in favor of an Electric Lighting plant for the Maine State Prison, and that it ought to pass. Report accepted. Under rule 18 this Resolve was referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

Mr. Dudley for the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on Resolve in favor of re-establishment, where necessary, of the boundaries of the lots reserved for public uses in the several plantations and unincorporated places, reported same ought to pass. Report accepted. Under rule 18 this Resolve was referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

Mr. Guernsey, for the Committee on Judiciary, on Bill, An Act to ratify the lease of the Sangerville Improvement Company to the Dover and Foxcroft Light and Heat Company, reported same in new draft under title of An Act to ratify the lease of the Sangerville Improvement Company to the Dover and Foxcroft Light and Heat Company, and that it ought to pass. Report accepted. Bill tabled for printing under the joint rules.

Mr. Wing, for the Committee on Judiciary, on Report of the Commissioners on uniformity of laws for 1902, reported that same be referred to the

next Legislature. Report accepted.

Mr. Pierce, for the Committee on Legal Affairs, on Bill, An Act to change the time of holding the sessions of county commissioner in Aroostook county, reported same ought to pass. Report accepted. Bill tabled for printing under the joint rules.

Mr. Maddocks, for the committee on ways and bridges, on bill, An Act to make the bridge of the Wiscasset Bridge Company a public bridge, reported same in new draft under title of An Act to assist in repairing the Wiscasset bridge and to provide for the ownership and maintenance of highway bridges in the county of Lincoln, and that it ought to pass. Report accepted. Under rule 18 this was referred to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs.

Mr. Rankin for the committee on appropriations and financial affairs, on bill, An Act to amend Chapter 100 of the Public Laws of 1891 entitled An Act to create a forest commission and for the better protection of forests, as amended, and that same ought to pass. Report accepted. Bill tabled for printing under the joint rules.

The same senator for the same committee, reported resolve in favor of the Maine State prison, and that same ought to pass. Report accepted. Tabled for printing under the joint rules.

Mr. Maddocks for the committee on interior waters, on bill, An Act to authorize the Portage Lake Mill Company to build and maintain piers and booms in Portage lake, reported same in new draft, under same title, and that it ought to pass. Report accepted, bill tabled for printing under the joint rules.

Mr. Hyde, for the Sagadahoc County Delegation, on bill, An Act to fix the salary of the judge of probate of Sagadahoc county, reported same in new draft, under same title, and that it ought to pass. Report accepted. On motion by Mr. Hyde of Sagadahoc, this bill took its several readings and was passed to be engrossed, under suspension of the rules.

At this point the President resumed the chair.

A majority report ought not to pass, and a minority report ought to pass

were submitted by the committee on taxation, on bill, An Act to repeal Section 28 of Chapter 6 in relation to taxation of corporations. On motion by Mr. Goodwin of Somerset, the bill and accompanying reports were laid on the table, the bill to be printed, and Tuesday of next week assigned for special consideration.

A majority report ought not to pass, and a minority report ought to pass, were submitted by the same committee on bill, An Act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 258 of the Public Laws of 1893 relating to school funds derived from savings bank tax. On motion by Mr. Pierce of Aroostook the bill and accompanying reports were tabled for printing, and Tuesday of next week assigned for their special consideration.

Mr. Goodwin, for the committee of conference on the part of the Senate, on bill, An Act to extend the charter of the Bluehill Trust and Banking Company, reported that the Senate recede and concur in recommitting said bill to the committee on banks and banking. Report accepted. The Senate thereupon receded, and concurred with the House in recommitting the bill to the committee on banks and banking.

#### Passed to be Engrossed.

An Act to authorize the Aroostook Valley Railroad Company to purchase or lease the property and franchises of the Presque Isle Electric Light Company.

An Act to regulate the taking of bail in criminal proceedings.

An Act to amend Section 35 of Chapter 99 of the Revised Statutes relating to the powers of bail commissioners.

An Act relating to the powers of the Portland and Rumford Falls Railway.

An Act to authorize Frederic J. Merrill of Damariscotta to construct a tide wheel in the tide waters of Damariscotta river.

An Act to establish a school board for the city of Brewer. On motion by Mr. Gardner of Patten, this bill took its second reading, under suspension of the rules, and was passed to be engrossed.

An Act to prevent the throwing of sawdust and other mill waste into all

tributaries of Seven Tree pond and Crawford pond in Union and Warren.

An Act creating a close time on the tributaries to Indian, South and Twitchell ponds, and on Indian pond, in Greenwood, and the tributaries to Bryant pond in Woodstock, in the county of Oxford.

An Act to incorporate the Rangeley Trust Company of Rangeley, Maine.

An Act to extend the charter of the Bluehill and Bucksport Electric Railroad Company.

Resolve providing for the Topographic and Geological survey for the years 1903 and 1904 and for extending its work to include hydrography.

An Act to amend Chapter 101, Public Laws of 1887, relating to paupers.

An Act to incorporate the Village Cemetery Association of Searsport, Waldo county, Maine.

An Act relating to suits in equity to quiet title.

An Act relative to the Aroostook Valley Railroad Company.

An Act authorizing Samuel D. Warren and others to erect and maintain piers and booms in the Kennebec river.

An Act to prohibit ice fishing in Number Nine Lake, situated in Township 9, Range 3, in the county of Aroostook.

An Act to extend the charter of the Maine Water and Electric Power Company.

An Act for the protection of deer in the counties of Kennebec, Knox, Waldo and Lincoln.

An Act to prohibit all ice fishing in First or Billings pond, in Bluehill, county of Hancock.

An Act to amend Chapter 286 of the Public Laws of 1901 relating to the taxation of interest-bearing deposits in trust and banking companies. On motion by Mr. Gardner of Penobscot this bill was laid on the table pending its second reading and Friday of this week assigned for its consideration.

An Act to prevent the throwing of sawdust and other mill waste into all tributaries of Seven Tree pond and Crawford pond in Union and Warren. On motion by Mr. Staples of Knox this bill was tabled and assigned for

Tuesday of next week for consideration.

An Act to amend An Act, entitled "An Act to regulate the admission to practice of attorneys, solicitors and counsellors, to provide for a board of examiners, and to repeal conflicting acts," approved March 17, 1889. On motion by Mr. Manley of Augusta this bill was amended by Senate amendment A, and as amended, the bill was passed to be engrossed.

An Act to amend Section 5 of Chapter 137 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 295 of the Public Laws of 1893 relating to insane criminals. On motion by Mr. Goodwin of Somerset this bill was amended by Senate amendment A, and as amended passed to be engrossed.

An Act to incorporate the Cherryfield and Milbridge Street Railway. On motion by Mr. Wilson of Washington, Senate Amendment A was adopted, and the bill as amended was passed to be engrossed.

#### Passed to be Enacted.

An Act to incorporate the East Branch Improvement Company.

An Act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 56 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relative to the water supply of Boothbay Harbor.

An Act to incorporate the Tamarack Club of Patten.

An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 115 of the Public Laws of 1895, and Sections 3 and 4 of Chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes in relation to dogs.

An Act to remove a doubt in the act incorporating the Gardiner Water District.

An Act to incorporate the Sanford Light and Power Company.

An Act to incorporate the Wells Electric Light and Power Company.

An Act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 20 of the Revised Statutes relating to ferries.

An Act to incorporate the Hillside Water Company.

An Act to amend the charter of the city of Calais, relating to ward and district lines.

An Act to make valid certain doings of the assessors of Norway for the year 1902.

An Act to amend Section 98 of Chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes relating to evidence.

An Act to amend the charter of the Maine Historical Society, permitting said society to hold real and personal estate to the value of \$500,000.

An Act to incorporate the Boothbay Harbor Light and Power Company.

An Act amendatory of Section 2 of Chapter 287 of the Public Laws of 1893, as amended by Chapter 33 of the Public Laws of 1899, and Chapter 163 of the Public Laws of 1901, relating to the better protection of sheep.

An Act to amend the charter of the city of Gardiner.

An Act to incorporate the Searsport Water Company.

An Act to extend the rights, powers and privileges of the Greenville Water Company.

An Act relating to proof of attested instruments.

An Act in relation to judges of municipal courts.

An Act in regard to compensation of town officers.

An Act to incorporate the Brownville and Williamsburg Water Company.

An Act establishing the jurisdiction and term of office of women appointed to solemnize marriages, administer oaths and take acknowledgments of deeds.

An Act to extend the charter of the Dexter Water Company.

An Act to incorporate the Pike Family Association.

An Act to amend Section 80 of Chapter 13 of the Revised Statutes relating to injuries on highways.

An Act to amend Chapter 77 of the Public Laws of 1899 relating to giving mortgages, a lien for costs of foreclosure under Section 5 of Chapter 90 of the Revised Statutes.

An Act additional to the acts which constitute the charter of the trustees of Hebron Academy.

An Act to regulate costs in the taking of lands or other property for public uses.

An Act relating to the office of county commissioner.

An Act to incorporate the Wells Telephone Company.

An Act to extend the charter of the Hallowell Trust Company.

An Act to amend Section 106 of Chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes relating to the reserve fund of savings banks.

An Act to amend Chapter 136, Public Laws of 1887, relating to unclaimed deposits in savings banks.

An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 242 of the Public Laws of 1889, in relation to the salary of the adjutant general.

An Act to extend the charter of the Union River Water Storage Company.

An Act to authorize the St. John Lumber Company to build piers and booms in the St. John River in the town of Van Buren.

An Act to authorize the Caratunk River Company to erect and maintain dams across the Carrabasset river in the towns of Anson and Embden.

An Act to prevent the throwing of sawdust and other mill waste into St. George's river in the towns of Montville, Searsmont and Appleton.

An Act to authorize the Kennebunk Electric Light Company to issue bonds.

An Act to correct an error and repeal "An Act approved, February 11, 1903," relating to migrating fish.

An Act authorizing the county commissioners of Cumberland county to erect a county building in Portland.

An Act to prohibit the use of purse and drag seines in the waters of Sargentville Harbor, known as Billing's cove.

An Act to change the name of Burnt island in the town of North Haven to Scallop Island.

An Act to regulate the placing of permanent moorings in harbors.

An Act to amend Section 6 of Chapter 3 of the Public Laws of 1899, entitled "An Act to amend Section 6 of Chapter 156 of the Public Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to amend Section 6 of Chapter 35 of the Revised Statutes,'" relating to intelligence offices.

An Act to construe and continue in force Chapter 106 of the Private and Special Laws of the Year 1891, relating to the election of a school committee and superintendent of schools, for the town of Skowhegan.



An Act to enable cities and towns to establish permanent fuel yards.

An Act to incorporate the St. John River Dam Company.

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act to incorporate the city of Old Town."

An Act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 93 of the Public Laws of 1899, fixing the salary of the county commissioners of Kennebec county.

An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 249 of the Public Laws of 1901, in relation to compensation for clerk hire in adjutant general's office.

An Act to incorporate the City Trust Company of Bangor, Maine.

An Act to amend Section 16 of Chapter 72 of the Revised Statutes, relating to suits on probate bonds.

An Act to provide for the protection of trees and shrubs for injurious insects and diseases.

An Act to regulate the taking of codfish, pollock, hake and haddock in the water of Frenchman's bay.

#### Finally Passed.

Resolve in favor of the Women's Christian Temperance Union.

Resolve waiving a forfeiture of the public lot in the southeast quarter of township No. 4, Hancock county, north division.

Resolve authorizing the land agent to sell certain public lots in E plantation and Portage Lake plantation, in Aroostook county.

Resolve in favor of the Society of the Sisters of Charity for the use of the Healy Asylum of Lewiston, Maine.

Resolve in favor of the town of Trescott.

Resolve in favor of Albert R. Buck, chairman of the committee on Maine State prison.

Resolve in favor of the Young Women's Home of Lewiston.

Resolve in favor of the committee on revision of the statutes.

On motion by Mr. Pierce of Aroostook, resolve in favor of repairing elevator in State House was laid on the table.

#### Orders of the Day.

On motion by Mr. Randall of Cumberland, the vote whereby the report

of the committee on railroads in relation to Act entitled railroad surveys was accepted, was reconsidered, and on further motion by the same senator, the bill was recommitted to the committee on railroads, telegraphs and expresses.

On motion by Mr. Staples of Knox, the vote whereby Senate bill 201 was laid upon the table was reconsidered, and on further motion of the same senator, the bill was recommitted to the committee on inland fisheries and game.

On motion by Mr. Gardner of Penobscot, Senate document 198, an Act to provide for the preservation of town records of births, marriages and deaths previous to the year 1902, was taken from the table; and on further motion by the same senator, the said bill was passed to be enacted.

On motion by Mr. Morrison of York, the vote whereby bill, An Act to increase the salary of the justice of the superior court of the county of Cumberland, and accompanying petition to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs, was reconsidered; and, on further motion by the same senator the bill and petition were referred to the committee on salaries.

On motion by Mr. Buck of Hancock, the vote whereby resolve in favor of an electric light plant for the Maine State prison was referred to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs was reconsidered, and on further motion of the same senator, under suspension of the rules, the resolve and statement of facts accompanying it was tabled for printing pending its reference to said committee.

The President read the following notice:

A moving picture of the Governor, Council, Departments, Senate and House will be taken in front of the State House at 12 o'clock, or immediately after adjournment, today. Members of each branch will assemble in the rotunda. Since the preparations for the picture are complicated and expensive, the attention of the members of the Senate and House is particularly asked for the few moments necessary to take the picture. The line will pass the camera in the following order: The Governor, the Council, the heads of de-

partments, members of the Senate and House. It will be necessary for the whole line to pass by the camera in about 80 seconds and it is suggested that members march in fours.

Mr. STETSON of Penobscot: I move that the Senate agree to assemble in the rotunda at the adjournment of the morning session for the purpose stated in the notice. The motion prevailed.

The following communication was read to the Senate by the Chair:

Headquarters, Department of Maine.

Grand Army of the Republic.

Brunswick, Me., March 17, 1903.

At Annual Encampment, Bangor, Feb. 19.

Hon. Harry R. Virgin,  
President of the Senate,

Dear Sir:—The Department of Maine, Grand Army of the Republic, in annual encampment assembled, desire to tender their sincere thanks to the Legislature of Maine now in session for their action in so promptly and generously making the appropriation for State pensions, and to express our cordial appreciation of their action in increasing the amount over previous years.

Official,  
(Signed)

ISAAC H. DANFORTH,  
Asst. Adjt. Gen. Department of Maine,  
G. A. R.

An Act providing for a license for non-residents to hunt moose and deer. (Passed to be enacted).

A majority and minority report from the committee on legal affairs on bill defining the duties of jurors in trials of misdemeanors, came from the House. On motion by Mr. Clark of Hancock, these reports and accompanying bill were recommitted to the committee on legal affairs.

On motion by Mr. Philbrook of Oxford, the Senate adjourned to meet on Thursday, March 19, 1903, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

## HOUSE.

Wednesday, March 18, 1903.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Clark of Gardiner.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

### Senate Bills on First Reading.

An Act to authorize extensions of the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad, in Aroostook, Piscataquis and Penobscot counties.

An Act to authorize the Boston Excelsior Company to locate piers and booms in the Sebec river.

An Act to prevent the throwing of sawdust and other refuse matter into Half Moon stream or Sandy stream or any of the tributaries to Unity pond, in the county of Waldo.

An Act to incorporate the Fish River Improvement Company.

An Act to authorize Edward J. Mayo and his assigns to maintain a wharf in Sebec lake.

An Act to amend Chapter 3, Section 59, paragraph 12 of the Revised Statutes relating to dealers in old junk.

Resolve in favor of the Madawaska Training School.

An Act to amend Chapter 143 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, entitled An Act to incorporate the Cumberland Illuminating Company.

An Act in relation to the discharge of debtors in cases now pending in insolvency courts.

An Act to amend Chapter 86 of the Revised Statutes relating to trustee process.

An Act to renew and extend the charter of the Boothbay Harbor Banking Company.

(Mr. Barker of Bangor in the chair).

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

### Judiciary.

By Mr. Cook of Casco: Bill, An Act to incorporate the Naples Water Company. (Received under suspension of the rules).

### Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

By Mr. Weeks of Fairfield: Bill, An Act to amend chapter 73 of the Public Laws of 1899 relating to railroad crossings.