

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Record

of the

Seventy-Third Legislature

of the

State of Maine.

1907.

Speaker, my mind does not resist the impression that this spirit of investigation is carrying us rather too far; and I ask that this matter be postponed until February 15th.

The question being on the passage of the order,

The order received a passage.

On motion of Mr. Chase of Waldoboro,

Adjourned.

SENATE.

Friday, February 1, 1907.

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Clifford of Gardiner.

Journal of the previous session read and approved.

On motion by Mr. Stearns of Penobscot the Order relating to the State Liquor Agency which came from the House read and passed in that branch, was laid on the table.

On motion by Mr. Mills of Hancock the Senate non-concurred with the House, in referring to the Committee on Legal Affairs, Bill, "An Act to amend Chapter 64 of the Private and Special Laws of 1899 as further amended," relating to the Wilson Stream Dam Company; and on further motion by the same senator the Bill was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Putnam of Aroostook it was Ordered, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet on Tuesday the fifth day of February, 1907, at eleven o'clock, A. M.

The foregoing order was subsequently returned from the House concurred in by that branch.

Bill, "An Act to incorporate the Enchanted Stream, Dam and Improvement Company which came from the House on report of the Committee on Interior Waters was, on motion by Mr. Stearns of Penobscot, tabled pending the acceptance of the report.

Read and Assigned.

An Act to incorporate the American Trust Company.

An Act to renew and extend the charter of the Hamilton Trust Company.

The following Bills, Petitions and Resolves were presented and referred:

Judiciary.

By Mr. Eaton of Washington: Resolve proposing an amendment to Section 12, Article 5, Part first, of the Constitution of the State of Maine relating to the power of the Governor to

cause the Laws to be faithfully executed. On motion by the same senator this Resolve was tabled for printing pending reference to the committee.

By Mr. Deasy of Hancock: Bill, "An Act to change the time of holding the January session of the Court of County Commissioners for Hancock county.

By Mr. Stearns of Penobscot: Bill, "An Act to incorporate the Northern Water Company."

By Mr. Merrill of Cumberland: Bill, "An Act to extend the Powers and Rights of the Brunswick Electric Light and Power Company."

Also Bill, "An Act to amend Chapter 310 of the Private and Special Laws of 1905 incorporating the State Loan Company."

By Mr. Rice of Franklin: Petition for change of law in regard to Support of Insane.

Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

By Mr. Simpson of York: Petition of Maine Woman's Christian Temperance Union in favor of the Home for Homeless Children.

By Mr. Parkhurst of Penobscot: Petition of H. H. Fogg, of Bangor, and 62 others, requesting an appropriation for use of the Jamestown Exhibition Commission.

Education.

By Mr. Curtis of Cumberland: Petition of Foster Company and 48 others, citizens of Portland, for the adequate support of the University of Maine.

Banks and Banking.

By Mr. Sewall of Sagadahoc: Bill, "An Act to incorporate the Sagadahoc Trust Company."

State Lands and State Roads.

By Mr. Parkhurst of Penobscot: Bill, "An Act to change the name of Widows' Island, Penobscot Bay."

Towns.

By Mr. Theriault of Aroostook: Bill, "An Act to set off parts of lots numbered 304, 305 and 306, situated in Hamlin and annex the same to town of Van Buren."

By Mr. Wyman of Washington: Petition of Fred J. Leighton and two selectmen of town of Steuben, to set the road leading from Marsh Road to Fred

J. Leighton's residence off from town of Steuben to town of Milbridge.

By Mr. Theriault of Aroostook: Petition of Selectmen of town of Van Buren and Assessors of Hamlin plantation that so much of lots Nos. 304 and 305, and part of lots numbered 306 as lie in Hamlin Plantation may be cut off and annexed to the town of Van Buren.

Temperance.

By Mr. Curtis of Cumberland: Remonstrance against Resubmission by Rev. Frank L. Wilkins and 77 others.

By Mr. Houston of Piscataquis: Remonstrance against the Resubmission of the Prohibition Law by S. A. Buzzell and 63 others of Parkman.

Mr. Sewall of Sagadahoc presented the following Resolve: "Resolve with reference to Rebate of Railroads."

Resolved, That the rebate of taxes granted by Railroads by former Legislatures, without regard to party, to aid in the industrial and commercial development of the State ought not, on principles of equity and in justice to contracting parties and innocent purchasers be disturbed but it is the sense of this body that such rebates should neither be newly granted nor extended in any manner that would be construed as an exemption from taxation." The same senator moved that the foregoing Resolve be tabled for printing pending its adoption, and reserved the right to table the Resolve after it should be printed.

Read and Assigned.

An Act for the protection of deer in the town of Isle au Haut in the county of Hancock.

An Act to authorize the Great Northern Paper Company to own and operate mills in any county in the State and to hold stock in the Northern Maine Power Packet Company.

An Act authorizing the Milo Lumber Company to erect piers and booms.

An Act to amend Chapter 115, Section 3, and Chapter 131, Section 13, of the Revised Statutes of 1903, relating to Private Detectives.

An Act to amend Chapter 222 of the Private and Special Laws of the year 1903, entitled "An Act to authorize Extensions of the Bangor and Aroostook Railroads in Aroostook, Piscataquis and Penobscot Counties."

An Act to amend the charter of the North Branch Dam Company.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Brown for the Committee on Agriculture to which was referred the Bill, entitled "An Act to amend Section 33 of Chapter 39 of the Revised Statutes and Section 7 of Chapter 68 of the Public Laws of 1905," have had the same under consideration and report that same ought to pass.

By Mr. Deasy for the Committee on Judiciary to which was referred the Bill, entitled "An Act to enable citizens to assess taxes for Street Sprinkling" have had the same under consideration, and report that the same be printed and recommitted.

By Mr. Deasy for the Committee on Judiciary to which was referred the Bill, entitled "An Act to grant certain powers to the Mount Desert Transit Company" have had the same under consideration and ask leave to report the same in a new draft under same title and that it ought to pass.

By Mr. Mills for the Committee on Legal Affairs to which was referred the Bill entitled "An Act to amend Section 9 of Chapter 139 of the Revised Statutes relating to Extradition Papers" have had the same under consideration and ask leave to report the same under new draft under same title and that it ought to pass."

Mr. Simpson for the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs, on Official Bond of the State Treasurer Elect for the years 1907 and 1908, recommend that the same be approved and placed on file in the office of the Secretary of State. The report was accepted and the bond approved by vote of the Senate.

The Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill, "An Act to create an lien on the manufacture of Staves and Laths, reported same in new draft under same title and that it ought to pass.

The Committee on Railroad and Expresses on Bill, "An Act to extend the charter of the Hancock County Railway Company," reported same in new draft under title of "An Act in relation to the Mount Desert Railroad Company and the Mount Desert Transit Company;" and that same ought to pass.

The same Committee on Bill, "An Act

to extend the charter of the Houlton and Danforth Electric Railway Company," reported that same ought to pass.

The same Committee on Bill, "An Act to extend the charter of the Houlton and Woodstock Electric Railway Company," reported that same ought to pass.

The Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Resolve in favor of Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum, reported that same ought to pass.

The same Committee on report of the Committee appointed to examine the accounts of the State Treasurer of the year 1906, reported that same be placed on file.

The foregoing reports of Committees were accepted and Bills which were reported ought to pass were tabled for printing under the joint rules.

Passed to Be Engrossed.

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

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

An Act to amend Section 5 of Chapter 203 of the Private and Special Laws of 1883 entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Portland Trust Company."

Resolve for State Pension.

Resolve in favor of Lydia A. Cummings of Rockland, county of Knox.

Resolves providing for the Preservation of Regimental Rolls in the Adjutant General's office.

Resolves in relation to Extra Pay of Maine Volunteers in the war with Spain.

Passed to Be Enacted.

An Act to extend the charter of the South Portland Trust Company.

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

An Act to incorporate the Maine Power Company.

An Act to legalize and make valid certain doings of the town of Danforth in the county of Washington.

An Act additional and amendatory of Chapter 213 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891 entitled "An Act to Incorporate the York Light and Heat Company."

An Act to amend Chapter 193 of the

Private and Special Laws of 1887 as amended by Chapter 464 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, relating to the Fryeburg Horse Railroad Company.

An Act to amend Section 23 of Chapter 114 of the Revised Statutes and to repeal Chapters 131 and 134 of the Public Laws of 1905 relating to Relief of Poor Debtors.

Finally Passed.

Resolve in favor John D. Bubier.

Resolve in favor of Lottie A. Robinson.

Resolve for the purpose of Operating Fish Hatcheries and Feeding Stations for fish and for the protection of fish.

On motion by Mr. Merrill of Cumberland the Senate adjourned to meet on Tuesday, February 5, 1907, at eleven o'clock A. M.

HOUSE.

Friday, Feb. 1, 1907.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Knowlton of Monson.

(Mr. Smith of Patten in the chair.)

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

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

Judiciary.

By Mr. Cobb of Gardiner: Petition of Charles A. Knight and 125 others of Gardiner in favor of the initiative and referendum.

By Mr. Milliken of Island Falls: Petition of Rev. H. H. Noyes of Island Falls and 25 other clergymen for an act directing the clerk of court in each county to send to the clergymen in that county a list of the divorces granted at each term of court.

By Mr. Copeland of Thomaston: Bill, An Act in relation to the plantation of Matinicus.

By Mr. Folsom of Norridgewock: Bill, An Act to authorize the selectmen of the town of Embden to remove the bodies in an abandoned cemetery.

By Mr. Flaherty of Portland: Bill, An Act to provide for ascertaining by ballot the sentiment of the people as to candidates for senators in Congress.

By Mr. Hall of Caribou: Bill, An Act to amend the third paragraph of Section 51 of Chapter 79 of the Revised Statutes relating to supreme judicial courts.

By Mr. Goodwin of Sanford: Bill, An Act to authorize the Atlantic Shore Line Railway to discontinue operation of its ferry across the Piscataqua river in certain instances.

By Mr. Perkins of Alfred: Petition of James F. Brackett and 10 others asking for amendment to Section 8 of Chapter 20 of the Revised Statutes.

By Mr. Tolman of Portland: Petition of Rev. Claude H. Priddy and 34 others against prize-fighting and sparing exhibitions.

By Mr. Allen of Richmond: Petition of overseers of poor and 41 others of Bowdoin to amend the laws relat-