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Legislative Record

of the

Seventy-Third Legislature

of the

State of Maine.

1907.

SENATE.

Wednesday February 20, 1907.

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Colby of Augusta.

Journal of the previous session read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Hastings of Oxford. Bill, "An Act to incorporate the Central Maine Insurance Company" was tabled for printing pending reference in concurrence.

Petition signed by E. F. Wescott and 70 others of Damariscotta in favor of State Bridge Bill was returned from the House that branch having non-concurred in the reference of same to the committee on Ways and Bridges and the petition in that branch having been ordered placed on file. The Senate thereupon voted to recede from its former action and concur with the House.

Bill, "An Act to establish a bench or water mark in Sebago Lake" came from the House, recommitted by that branch to the committee on Interior Waters.

Mr. STEARNS of Penobscot: Mr. President I move the Senate non-concur with the action of the House in recommitting this bill to the committee; and my reasons for the proposed action are these: We have had a full and complete hearing, and a lengthy hearing, and the matter has been thoroughly thrashed out, and I know of no good reason why the bill should not take its usual course. I, for one, as a member of the committee, unless there is something of new and of great importance do not believe that it is proper that we should take up the time of this committee with a re-hearing of this matter. Therefore I move that we non-concur.

The motion prevailed. Sent down for concurrence.

House Bills Read and Assigned.

An Act to amend chapter one hundred and fifty-eight, of the private and special laws of nineteen hundred and three, incorporating the Brunswick and Topsham Water District.

AN ACT to extend the charter of the Jackman Water Company.

AN ACT to incorporate the Lincolnville Water Power Company.

AN ACT relating to the ferry across the Penobscot River, between the town of Orono and the town of Bradley.

On motion by Mr. Deasy of Hancock Senate Amendment A was adopted, as follows: "Add at the end of Section 4 after the word "admits" the words "whenever a bridge shall be built between the said towns of Orono and Bradford this charter shall be null and void."

RESOLVE in favor of the Bangor Children's Home.

RESOLVE in favor of the Augusta City Hospital.

RESOLVE relating to the Documentary History of Maine.

RESOLVE, in favor of The Webber Hospital Association.

AN ACT to amend section twenty-three of chapter eighteen of the Revised Statutes, relating to the State Laboratory of Hygiene.

Resolve in favor of Maine Children's Home Society, Augusta.

Resolve, in favor of Lee Normal Academy.

Resolve in favor of the town of Bowdoinham.

Resolve in aid of navigation on Lewey, Long and Big Lakes.

An Act to incorporate the Carrabassett Dam Company.

An Act to enable the Sebago Lake, Songo River and Bay of Naples Steamboat Company, to construct and maintain a wharf at the west shore of Sebago lake, in the town of Sebago, in the county of Cumberland.

An Act authorizing and empowering the Aroostook Lumber Company to erect and maintain piers and booms and store lumber in the Presque Isle Stream.

An Act to authorize John H. Walker to extend and maintain a wharf in Squa Pan Lake.

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

An Act to authorize the American Thread Company to erect and maintain piers and booms in Sebec River.

On motion by Mr. Curtis of Cumber-

land the foregoing bill was tabled for printing.

An Act authorizing the Umbagog Paper Company to locate, erect and maintain piers and booms in the Kennebec River.

An Act to authorize the State Land Agent to sell Little Island in Mosquito Harbor in the town of St. George.

Resolve in favor of the roads in the Indian township, Washington county.

Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to release the interest of the state in the islets called "The Nub" in Bluehill in Hancock county.

An Act to set off part of the town of Bancroft and annex the same to the town of Weston.

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

Judiciary.

By Mr. Parkhurst of Penobscot: Bill, "An Act to incorporate the Penobscot River Power Company." On motion by the same Senator the bill was tabled, pending reference.

By Mr. Deasy of Hancock: Bill, "An Act to amend and extend the charter of the Union River Water Storage Company."

By Mr. Theriault of Aroostook: Bill, "An Act to extend the time in which the Van Buren Sewerage Company is authorized to commence business."

By Mr. Heselton of Kennebec: Remonstrance of E. L. Buswell and 29 others of Gardiner against granting to Winthrop Water and Drainage Company from supplying sewer or drains on Cobbosseecontee Lake system.

By Mr. Heselton of Kennebec: Remonstrance of Charles A. Knight and 49 others of the city of Gardiner against granting to Winthrop Water and Drainage Company from emptying sewers or drains in Cobbosseecontee Lake System.

Legal Affairs.

By Mr. Brown of Kennebec: Bill, "An Act to amend Chapter 9 of the Public Laws of 1903, relating to the compensation of selectmen."

By Mr. Rice of Franklin: Bill, "An Act to provide for keeping of passenger lists in the offices of certain steamship companies."

By Mr. Rice of Franklin: Bill, "An Act to incorporate the Suburban Water Company of Farmington, Maine."

By Mr. Merrill of Cumberland: Bill, "An Act to amend the charter of the Portland and Cape Elizabeth Ferry Company."

By Mr. Merrill of Cumberland: Bill, "An Act relating to Eastport Electric Light Company and Pembroke Power Company."

Also: Bill, "An Act to confer additional power and privilege upon the People's Ferry Company."

By Mr. Clarke of Lincoln: Bill, "An Act to amend 'An Act to enlarge the powers of the Carrabassett Stock Farm.'"

Also: Bill, "An Act to amend charter of Twin Lake Water Company."

By Mr. Philoon of Androscoggin: Petition for the enactment of a law to prevent prize fighting by M. L. Farnham and 18 others of Auburn."

By Mr. Garcelon of Androscoggin: Petition of James Linney and 11 others, operatives in Hill Mfg. Co., Lewiston, in favor of improving the storage of Rangeley Lakes, as asked for by the Union Water Power Company.

Also: Petitions of Clarence E. Keen and 22 others, of Hill Mfg. Co., of Lewiston, of Fred E. Wagg, and 50 others of Hill Mfg. Co., Lewiston, of Clarence E. Stone and 52 others of Hill Mfg. Co., Lewiston, all for same.

Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

By Mr. Page of Somerset: Petition of citizens of Canaan and others for Resolve in favor of Maine State Sanatorium Association.

By Mr. Merrill of Cumberland: Petition of Dr. N. D. Hyde of Freeport and others for same.

Education.

By Mr. Proctor of Cumberland: Resolve in favor of Bridgton Academy. On motion by the same Senator the Resolve was tabled for printing, pending reference.

Railroads and Expresses.

By Mr. Hastings of Oxford: Bill, "An Act to authorize the Rumford Falls and Bethel Street Railway to maintain a dam on the Androscoggin river near the mouth of Bear river."

Banks and Banking.

By Mr. Deasy of Hancock: Bill, "An Act to extend the charter of the Blue-hill Trust and Banking Company."

By Mr. Garcelon of Androscoggin: Bill, "An Act additional to and amendatory of Chapter 336 of the Private and Special Laws of 1905, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Central Safe Deposit Company' and to change the name of said company."

Military Affairs.

By Mr. Clarke of Lincoln: Resolve in favor of Isaac Moore of Somerville.

Also: Resolve in favor of Charles J. Murphy.

State Lands and State Roads.

By Mr. Heselton of Kennebec: Petition of J. M. Moulton and 363 others of different towns in the State on "An Act to provide for State aid, for the expenditure of other public moneys, in the permanent improvement of Maine highways or State roads."

Ways and Bridges.

By Mr. Theriault of Aroostook: Petition of D. L. Cummings and 110 others of Aroostook county in favor of an appropriation to build a road on Townships 17, Range 4 and 17 in Range 5.

Inland Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Stearns of Penobscot: Remonstrance of F. F. Merrill and 79 others of East Eddington and Clifton against the enactment of bill entitled "An Act to prohibit fishing in the tributaries to Chemo pond in the county of Penobscot."

Sea Shore Fisheries.

By Mr. Sewall of Sagadahoc: Remonstrance of W. C. Todd and 80 other citizens of Georgetown against proposed legislation affecting the fisheries in Kennebec river and its tributaries.

Pensions.

By Mr. Brown of Kennebec: Resolve in favor of Harriet S. Hodgdon of Readfield, county of Kennebec.

Also: Resolve in favor of Lydia M. Turner of Readfield in the county of Kennebec.

Public Buildings and Grounds.

By Mr. Merrill of Cumberland: Peti-

tion of Lincoln E. Hall and 23 others for the removal of the seat of government to Portland.

Also: Petition of John G. Houston and 9 others for the same.

By Mr. Ayer of Kennebec: Petition of A. W. Leonard and 29 others of Oakland against removal of Capitol from Augusta.

By Mr. Ayer of Kennebec: Petition of C. E. A. Winslow and 11 others of Oakland against removal of Capitol from Augusta.

Also: Petition of H. W. Greeley and 19 others of Oakland for same.

By Mr. Page of Somerset: Remonstrance against removal of Capitol of the State of Charles F. Horn and others of Canaan.

Temperance.

By Mr. Irving of Aroostook: Remonstrance of J. R. Irving of Mars Hill and others against Resubmission. (Placed on file.)

By Mr. Page of Somerset: Remonstrance of E. C. Merrill and others of Skowhegan against Resubmission.

Also: Remonstrance of E. C. Bryant and others of Pittsfield against Resubmission.

Orders.

On motion by Mr. Deasy of Hancock it was,

Ordered, the House concurring, that the Committee on Judiciary be requested to inquire into the expediency of amending the Revised Statutes, Chapter 84, Section 116, by increasing the penalties therein mentioned; and report by bill or otherwise.

Passed to Be Engrossed.

An Act to make valid the incorporation and the corporate acts of the Fort Fairfield Grange.

An Act to change the name of the Plantation of Hill.

An Act to amend Chapter 277 of the Private and Special Laws of 1903, amending "An Act to establish a municipal court for the town of Brunswick."

An Act to preserve the purity of the source of water supply of the village of Buckfield.

An Act to extend the charter of the Mutual Fire Company.

An Act to prohibit the deposit of certain waste substances in the waters of the West Branch of the Mattawamkeag stream or its tributaries.

An Act in relation to reports of hearings in vacations in law or equity.

An Act to preserve trees abutting public ways and other places.

An Act to ratify the action of the committee appointed to build bridge across York river.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Rice for the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on Bill, "An Act for the protection of gray squirrels and black squirrels, so-called," reported that same ought to pass.

Mr. Deasy of the Committee on Judiciary, on Bill, "An Act to enable cities to assess taxes for street sprinkling," reported same in new draft under same title and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Clarke for the Committee on Legal Affairs, Bill, "An Act to further define State printing," reported that same ought to pass.

Mr. Mills for the same committee, on Bill, "An Act to prevent the pollution of the waters of Lake Nokomis," reported that same ought to pass.

Mr. Eaton of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Petition of Maine Women's Christian Temperance Union that an appropriation be made to be used in their department of the Home for Homeless Children, submitted Resolve in favor of Maine Women's Christian Temperance Union and that it ought to pass.

The same Senator for the same committee on Resolve for an appropriation to encourage the utilization of tidal and sea power for commercial purposes in the State of Maine, reported same ought to pass.

Mr. Page for the Committee on Banks and Banking, on Bill, "An Act to incorporate the Sagadahoc Trust Company of Bath, Maine," reported same in new draft under title of "An Act to incorporate the Sagadahoc Trust Company" and that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator for the same committee, on Bill, "An Act to extend the charter of the Gardiner Trust Com-

pany," reported that same ought to pass.

Mr. Simpson for the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Resolve providing for the publication of an index to the Private and Special Laws, reported that same be referred to the Committee on Library.

The foregoing reports were accepted; and Bills and Resolves reported ought to pass were tabled for printing under the joint rules.

On motion by Mr. Bailey of Somerset the Senate adjourned.