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Legislative Record

of the

Seventy-Third Legislature

of the

State of Maine.

1907.

SENATE.

Wednesday, February 27, 1907.

Senate called to order by the president.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Clifford of Gardner.

Journal of the previous session read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

Senate Order that, "The House concurring, the Committee on Temperance to inquire into the expediency of repealing Sections 14 to 35 inclusive of Chapter 29 of the Revised Statutes relating to the Liquor Agency System," was returned from the House, House Amendment A adopted and in that branch passed as amended. On motion by Mr. Hastings of Oxford the order and amendment were tabled.

House Papers Read and Assigned.

An Act to extend the charter of the Lincoln Electric Railway Company.

An Act to establish the Lubec and Machias Railway Company.

An Act to extend the charter of the Waterville & Winslow Bridge Company.

An Act to amend Section 44 of Chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes relating to the taking of smelts.

An Act to incorporate the Winter Harbor and Eastern Railway Company.

An Act to amend Chapter 154 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895 as amended by Chapter 20 of the Private and Special Laws of 1905 relating to the charter of the Wiscasset Water Company.

An Act to amend Chapter 134 of the Revised Statutes, relating to recognizances in criminal cases.

An Act to amend the charter of the Pepperell Trust Company.

An Act to amend Sections 13 and 14 of Chapter 73 of the Revised Statutes, relating to sales of estates of non-resident owners.

An Act to amend Section 11 of Chapter 61 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the solemnization of marriages.

An Act to amend Section 15 of Chapter 65 of the Revised Statutes, relating to courts of Probate.

An Act to assent to the purpose and provisions of an Act of the Congress of the United States entitled "An Act to provide for an increased annual appropriation for Agricultural Experiment Stations, and regulating the expenditure thereof."

An Act to abolish Fast day and create Patriot's day.

An Act to amend Section 10 of Chapter 12 of the Revised Statutes, relating to county law libraries.

An Act relating to the extension of the Fryeburg Horse Railroad.

An Act to incorporate the Limerick Water and Electric Company.

An Act to incorporate the Solon Trust Company.

An Act to amend Section 36 of Chapter 101 of the Revised Statutes, in relation to bail commissioners.

An Act additional to and amendatory of Chapter 407 of the Private and Special Laws of 1903, relating to ice fishing in Allen pond in the town of Greene.

An Act to renew and extend the charter of Cobbosseecontee Fish Cultivating Company.

An Act to prohibit ice fishing in China lake, in China and Vassalboro, and in Lovejoy pond, in Albion, in the county of Kennebec.

An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 538 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, relating to the taking of smelts in Sheepscot river.

An Act to regulate fishing in Round and Long ponds and their tributaries in Livermore.

An Act to incorporate the Allagash Improvement Company.

An Act to amend the third paragraph of Section 51 of Chapter 79 of the Revised Statutes, relating to Supreme judicial courts.

An Act to incorporate the Weld Water Company.

An Act to incorporate the Little Madawaska Improvement Company.

An Act to regulate fishing in "B" pond, in Upton, in the county of Oxford.

An Act to permit ice fishing for pickerel in Bear pond in the town of Turner, in the county of Androscoggin,

and in the town of Hartford, in the county of Oxford.

An Act to regulate fishing in the tributaries of Chemo pond, in the county of Penobscot.

An Act to amend Chapter 329 of the Private and Special Laws of 1905, relating to protection of fish in certain waters of Limerick, Parsonsfield and Cornish.

An Act to regulate fishing in Little Big Wood pond, also Wood stream, in Somerset county, also to regulate the taking of cusk in all the Moose river waters.

An Act to regulate fishing in Big and Little Indian ponds and tributaries, in the county of Somerset.

An Act to regulate fishing in East Carry pond in the county of Somerset.

An Act to regulate fishing in Swan lake and its tributaries, in the towns of Searsport, Swanville and Frankfort, in the county of Waldo.

An Act to permit ice fishing for pickerel only in North pond, situated in the towns of Buckfield and Sumner, in the county of Oxford.

An Act to regulate fishing in Bartlett's and Crook's brook, so called, in the county of York.

Resolve to amend Chapter 126 of the Resolves of 1905, relating to the Central Maine Fair Association.

Resolve in favor of the town of St. Agatha in the country of Aroostook, to assist in building a road in said town.

Resolve in favor of the enlargement and completion of the feeding station at the Rangeley lakes.

Resolve in favor of screening Pleasant pond in the county of Somerset.

Resolve in favor of St. Francis plantation to repair river road across Reuben Bran's homestead farm which was washed out by freshet.

Resolve providing for the screening of Anasagunticook lake, in Oxford county.

Resolve in favor of building for criminal insane.

An Act to amend Chapter 144 of the Revised Statutes relating to the support and commitment of the insane.

Resolve in favor of Maine State Library.

An Act to regulate fishing in Sandy River and its tributaries in the county

of Oxford, which was amended in the Senate by Senate amendment A and passed to be engrossed and sent to the House comes back from the House amended by House amendment A. On motion by Mr. Hastings of Oxford the Senate reconsidered the vote whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed in the Senate and on his further motion House Amendment A was adopted in concurrence and the Bill as amended was passed to be engrossed.

The report of the committee on Interior Waters, ought not to pass, on Bill, An Act to establish a bench or water mark on Sebago Lake, which was accepted by the Senate, the House non-concurring and recommitting the bill to the committee on Interior Waters, came from the House that body insisting on its action and asking for a committee of conference. On motion of Mr. Hastings of Oxford the Senate voted to insist and that a committee of conference be joined on the part of the Senate. The President thereupon appointed as that committee Messrs, Stearns of Penobscot, Philoon of Androscoggin and Eaton of Washington.

The following Bills and Petitions were presented and referred:

Inland Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Ayer of Kennebec: Petition of William M. Dunn and 105 others of Waterville for appropriation to screen Messalonskee Lake.

Also: Petition of R. C. Taylor and 125 others of Oakland, Waterville and Sidney for same. (On motion by Mr. Staples of Knox the foregoing petitions were tabled but later upon the statement of the senator from Kennebec that the petitions related to matters which were already before the committee, senator Staples moved that the petitions be taken from the table and referred.)

Also: Petition of C. A. Judkins and 15 others, of Piscataquis and Somerset Counties to allow fishing through the ice in Beassua Lake one month each year.

Judiciary.

By Mr. Deasy of Hancock: Bill, An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 55 of the Revised Statutes relating to telegraph and telephone companies,

gas and electric companies and power companies.

Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

By Mr. Parkhurst of Penobscot: Petition of John T. Clark and Company of Bangor and 23 others protesting against any change in the existing laws relating to fire insurance and especially relating to the arbitration clause.

Read and Assigned.

Resolve for an appropriation for carrying on the work of the State Survey Commission.

An Act to amend chapter 94 of the Private and Special Laws of 1903 entitled "An Act to prevent the pollution of the waters of Sebago Lake."

An Act to regulate fishing in Branch stream and Hersey brook, in the town of Washington, county of Knox.

An Act in relation to the Frontier Steamboat Company.

An Act to regulate fishing in the two West Richardson ponds, the two East Richardson ponds and the two Beaver ponds, in the county of Oxford.

An Act to prohibit the throwing of sawdust and other mill waste into Bear river, or any of its tributaries, lying within the towns of Newry and Grafton, in the county of Oxford.

On motion by Senator Hastings of Oxford Senate Amendment A was adopted as follows: Amend Section one by striking out in line two the words "or any of its tributaries" and by striking out of line five and six and line seven the words "or its tributaries."

Reports of Committees.

The Committee on Education on Order relating to investigation of fees of State superintendent of public schools submitted a report and on motion by Mr. Stearns of Penobscot the same was tabled to be printed pending acceptance.

The same committee on Resolve in favor of the Farmington State Normal School, reported same in new draft under same title and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Eaton for the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on report of trustees and officers of the Maine Industrial School for Girls reported that the same be placed on file.

Mr. Barrows for the Committee on Pensions on Resolve to provide means for examination of claims for State's pensions, reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator for the same committee on Resolve in favor of Abbie S. Ramsdell, reported that the same ought not to pass.

The foregoing reports were accepted and bills and resolves reported ought to pass were tabled for printing under the joint rules.

Passed to Be Engrossed.

An Act relating to the Waldo and Penobscot Agricultural Society.

An Act to incorporate the Myles Standish Rifle Club of Portland.

An Act to authorize the town of Brooks to retire its bonded indebtedness and to issue new bonds.

An Act to incorporate Cambolasse Telephone Company.

An Act additional to Chapter 49 of the Revised Statutes, relating to insurance and insurance companies.

An Act to amend Chapter 49 of the Revised Statutes relating to Fraternal Insurance Associations.

An Act to incorporate the Augusta Mutual Plate Glass Insurance Company.

An Act to incorporate the Sandy River Trust Company.

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

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

Resolve in favor of Barrett Potter.

Resolve in favor of the town of Baring for \$108.52 to be paid to the town of Baring on account of State road constructed in the year of 1906.

Resolve in favor of the town of Hodgdon.

Resolve in favor of Benjamin Wentworth of Morrill, late private of Captain George F. Lippins, Fifth Company, Mounted Artillery.

Resolve in favor of John S. Stokes of Sanford, Maine.

Resolve in favor of Betsey Stover of Mount Vernon.

An Act to amend Chapter 143 of the Revised Statutes relating to the Maine Industrial School for Girls. Senator Mills of Hancock stated that the

amendment to this bill which was adopted yesterday was uncalled for and was adopted under a misapprehension. Thereupon on motion of that senator the vote was reconsidered thereby Senate amendment A was adopted.

An Act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes, relating to lime casks. On motion by Mr. Staples of Knox this bill was tabled pending its passage to be engrossed.

Orders of the Day.

On motion by Mr. Wyman of Washington Senate Document number 101, Bill relating to the employment of minors was taken from the table and on further motion by the same senator Senate amendment A was adopted as follows: "Amend by inserting after the word 'children' in the twentieth line of section 55 the following words 'and if in his judgment he finds detrimental conditions to exist, he may, in conjunction with the municipal officers of the town or city in which the complaint is made, prohibit the employment of children therein until such conditions are removed.'" The bill thereupon took its second reading and on motion by Mr. Heselton of Kennebec the bill together with the amendment were tabled pending passage to be engrossed. Subsequently Mr. Heselton took the bill from the table and the same was passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Putnam of Aroostook House Document No. 198, Bill to empower Aroostook Lumber Company to erect piers and booms in Presque Isle Stream, was taken from the table and on further motion by the same senator the bill was passed to be enacted.

On motion by Mr. Curtis of Cumberland Senate Document 115, Bill to amend laws of 1905 relative to regulating sale of bonds on installment plan, was taken from the table and on further motion by the same senator was referred to the committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Heselton of Kennebec Senate Documents 124 and 125 being House amendment A and Senate amendment A respectively to House Document 119, Bill relating to state maintenance of highway bridges,

were reassigned for consideration on Wednesday March 6.

At the request of Mr. Mills of Hancock Senator Parkhurst of Penobscot, assigned February 28th for the consideration of the amendment to House Document No. 214 relating to State School for Boys.

On motion by Mr. Theriault of Aroostook the Senate adjourned.