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OF THE

Seventy-Fourth Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1909

HOUSE.

Wednesday, Feb. 17, 1909.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Quimby of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

An Act to incorporate the South Portland Railway and Terminal Company, came from the Senate referred by that branch to the committee on judiciary. On motion of Mr. Spear of South Portland it was tabled for printing pending reference in concurrence.

An Act relating to the Bodwell Power Company of Old Town, Maine came from the Senate referred by that branch to the committee on judiciary. On motion of Mr. Byer of Portland it was tabled for printing pending reference in concurrence.

An Act to divide the town of York and establish the town of Yorktown, came from the Senate referred by that branch to the committee on towns. On motion of Mr. Chase of York it was tabled for printing pending reference in concurrence.

Senate Bills on First Reading.

An Act to change the name of the Augusta City Hospital.

An Act to extend the charter of the Rumford Falls and Bethel Street Railway.

Mr. Hersey of Houlton offered Amendment A to this bill by striking out of the title the word "assessor" and inserting in its place "municipal officers;" also amend Section one by striking out the word "provided by its bylaws for the election of a board of" and inserting in its place words "elected in the manner provided by law at its annual meeting boards of selectmen, overseers of the poor and."

Mr. HERSEY: Mr. Speaker, I wish to say in explanation of this amendment that it has been submitted to the author of the bill and has his approval. It simply provides that instead of assessors being the only persons elected in this manner, selectmen and overseers of the poor may also be elected. It applies to towns of 3000 inhabitants and there has been quite a call for such a law giving them

the privilege to elect their boards of municipal officers if they wish to in the same manner as the superintending school committees; and I think the House understands the purpose of the amendment.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment,

The motion was agreed to.

The bill then received its two readings and was assigned for tomorrow morning.

Resolve providing for the purchase and distribution of Savage's Supplemental Digest of the Maine Reports.

An Act to extend the charter of the Waldo Street Railway Company.

Resolve in favor of the Town of Paten in Penobscot County.

An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes relating to increase of stock of railroad corporations.

Resolve for the purpose of erecting a fish hatchery in Knox County.

(Tabled pending acceptance of the report in concurrence on motion of Mr. Pike of Eastport).

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

Judiciary.

By Mr. Thurlow of Cutler: Petition for An Act to amend the charter of the trustees of Machiasport bridge.

By Mr. Merrifield of Rockland: Petition of ex-Governor Cobb, Col. F. C. Knight and 125 others of Rockland in favor of Optometry bill.

By Mr. Richardson of Presque Isle: Petition for Woman Suffrage by Guy B. Chandler and 164 others of Presque Isle; of Ernest T. McLaughlin and 24 others for same.

By Mr. Beals of Auburn: Petition of Mrs. Helen S. Atwood and 68 others of Androscoggin county for same.

By Mr. Campbell of Cherryfield: Petition of Rev. S. M. Bowles and 80 others of Washington county for same; of Lydia A. Marshall and 12 others of Pembroke for same.

By Mr. Merrifield of Rockland: Petition of A. H. Jones and 229 others of Rockland for same.

By Mr. Higgins of Starks: Petition

of George Cummings and 274 others of Hartland for same.

By Mr. Burlleigh of Augusta: Remonstrance of Fred W. Allen and 17 others of North Wayne against passage of the Mt. Desert automobile bill.

By Mr. Wing of Kingfield: An Act to incorporate the Stratton Water Co.

By Mr. Merrifield of Rockland: An Act to create a new charter for the city of Rockland.

By Mr. Davies of Yarmouth (by request): An Act to amend Section 78 of Chapter 9 of the Revised Statutes in relation to appeal from county commissioners.

By Mr. Peters of Ellsworth: An Act defining the liability of employers in certain cases of injuries to employes; also An Act amending the charter of the Maine Insurance Co.

Legal Affairs.

By Mr. Kavanough of Portland: Petition of E. W. Murphy and 76 others of Portland for the act preferring Maine contractors and Maine labor on State and municipal buildings and public works.

By Mr. Kelley of Boothbay: Remonstrance of M. H. Thompson and 60 other voters of the town of Southport against an act granting the town of Southport the right to build a wharf and raise money for the same.

By Mr. Snow of Scarborough: An Act relating to pleading a discharge in bankruptcy; also An Act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 92 of the Revised Statutes relating to mortgages.

By Mr. Morse of Belfast: An Act to amend the charter of the city of Belfast.

By Mr. Snow of Scarborough: An Act to amend Section 6 of Chapter 106 of the Revised Statutes relating to real actions.

By Mr. Pelletier of Van Buren: An Act to authorize the town of Van Buren to issue bonds.

By Mr. Perry of Fort Fairfield: An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 166 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887 relating to Fort Fairfield Village Corporation, with accompanying statement of facts.

Education.

By Mr. Trickey of Corinna: Petition of F. W. Buzzell and 47 others of Corinna for a Normal school in central Maine; of E. E. Colbath and 24 others of Exeter for same.

By Mr. Sawyer of Dexter: Petition of F. H. Adams and 36 others of Garland for same.

Railroads and Expresses.

By Mr. Merrifield of Rockland: An Act to incorporate the R. & T. Cement Railroad.

By Mr. Spear of South Portland: An Act to incorporate the Fore River Shore Line. (Tabled pending reference to the committee on motion of Mr. Spear of South Portland.)

Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

By Mr. Stackpole of Bridgewater: Remonstrance of W. A. McPherson and 48 others of Easton against bill to establish a minimum rate law by State Legislature.

By Mr. Marshall of Portland: An Act to amend Section 78 of Chapter 49 of the Revised Statutes relating to the admission of foreign mutual fire insurance companies. (Tabled for printing pending reference to the committee on motion of Mr. Marshall.)

Banks and Banking.

By Mr. Farnham of Bath: An Act to extend the charter of the Sagadahoc Trust Co.

Agriculture.

By Mr. Davies of Yarmouth: An Act to amend Chapter 4 of the Revised Statutes relating to the better protection of sheep.

Interior Waters.

By Mr. Mercier of Princeton: Resolve in favor of navigation on Lewy, Long and Big lakes.

Ways and Bridges.

By Mr. Hovey of Sullivan: Petition of Bedford E. Tracy and 29 others of Winter Harbor for the passage of the resolve in favor of the Sullivan-Franklin bridge.

By Mr. Patterson of Solon: Petition of L. A. Stinchfield and 49 others in favor of An Act to regulate the width

of sleds; of Fred McCollon and 27 others for same.

By Mr. Chase of Sebec: Petition of J. H. Gilman and 34 others for appropriation of \$600 for Elliotville road; of C. W. Hayes and 13 others of Foxcroft for same; of Charles P. Turner and 43 others of Guilford for same.

By Mr. Campbell of Kingman: Resolve in favor of Drew Plantation.

By Mr. Chase of Sebec: Resolve in favor of the town of Sebec for construction of a steel bridge across the Sebec river.

Inland Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Patterson of Solon: Petition of Ralph Gledhill and 36 others of Madison for amendment of law prohibiting fishing through the ice in Hayden lake.

By Mr. Mercier of Princeton: Petition of Charles A. Rolfe and 31 others for bounty on bobcats.

By Mr. Bigelow of Portland: Petition for stocking Highland lake, Cumberland county, and for screening the same.

By Mr. Bigney of Greenville: Petition for regulations on fishing in a portion of Belgrade stream.

By Mr. Bigelow of Portland: Petition of H. E. Coffin and 51 others of Aroostook county for regulations on fishing in Chase brook and its tributaries, also in a portion of Fish river in Aroostook county.

By Mr. Colby of Bingham: Petition of Henry J. Lane and 20 others of Bingham and vicinity for close time on Little Otter ponds in Somerset county; of Henry J. Lane and 20 others of Bingham and vicinity asking that Little Carry pond in Somerset county be opened to ice fishing on Feb. 1st of each year, and that no more than 25 fish be taken in any one day by any one person.

By Mr. Marshall of Portland: Petition of Fred A. Kimball of Portland and 92 others to have Pleasant pond stocked with pink spotted trout.

By Mr. White of Columbia: Petition of A. R. Leighton and 28 others of Columbia asking that all private and Special Laws relating to Pleasant river in Washington county be re-

pealed; of Harry Brown and 64 others of Addison for same.

By Mr. Additon of Leeds: Petition of G. B. Warner and others of Leeds for resolve for \$50,000 for hatcheries and fish protection.

By Mr. Hodgkins of Temple: Petition of Justus Webster and others of Chesterville for same.

By Mr. Mercier of Princeton: Petition of Thomas Larnier and 27 others for bounty on bears; of Albert H. Legassy and 33 others for same.

By Mr. Colby of Bingham: Petition of B. A. Laxson and 15 others asking for a law prohibiting all ice fishing in Pierce pond in Somerset county, and also limiting the number of pounds of fish which may be taken from pond in one day to 15 pounds; of B. F. Adams and 10 others of Bingham for same; of C. A. Spaulding and 15 others of Caratunk for same.

By Mr. Emery of Sanford: Petition of W. F. Goodwin of Kennebunkport and 19 others for act to regulate the setting of traps for gaming in York county; of Charles H. Innes of Saco and 24 others for same.

By Mr. Hanson of Lyman: Petition of John M. Akers of Alfred and 20 others for same.

By Mr. Merrill of Bluehill: Remonstrance of H. H. Harden and 11 others against any change in law relating to snaring of rabbits in Hancock county.

By Mr. Hannaford of Newfield: An Act for the protection of deer in York county.

By Mr. Smith of Berwick: An Act to require resident hunters to pay a license fee.

By Mr. Stackpole of Bridgewater: An Act to prohibit ice fishing in Prestile stream in Aroostook county.

By Mr. Emery of Sanford: An Act to regulate the setting of traps for gaming in York county.

By Mr. Campbell of Cherryfield: Resolve in favor of screening Spring River lake, Hancock county.

Shore Fisheries.

By Mr. Harmon of Stonington: Petition of James Eaton and 100 others of Sedgwick to prohibit drag seining

on Benjamin river; also remonstrance of Stephen S. Sellers and 116 others of Stonington against lobster fishermen and dealers being required to have a license.

By Mr. Havey of Sullivan: Remonstrance of A. F. Ramsdell and 19 others of South Gouldsboro against passage of House Doc. No. 49; of P. F. Bickword against same; of W. W. Noves and 38 others of Corea, Gouldsboro, against same.

Counties.

By Mr. Merrill of Bluehill: Remonstrance of Daniel McKay and 19 others of Hancock county against setting off the towns of Isle au Haut or Stonington from Hancock to Knox county.

By Mr. Havey of Sullivan: Remonstrance of John L. Goss and others against same.

By Mr. Havey of Sullivan: Remonstrance of Lamont Johnson and 24 others of Sullivan against the division of Hancock county.

Towns.

By Mr. Jones of Bucksport: Petition of H. P. Rurrell and 19 others to set off a lot of land from town of Bucksport and annex same to town of Dedham.

Indian Affairs.

By Mr. Mercier of Princeton: Petition of Governor John A. Francis and eight other Indians of the Passamaquoddy tribe; of members of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians for appropriation of money for purchase of furnace, etc.

Claims.

By Mr. Ludgate of Sherman: Resolve in favor of Robert Palmer of Moro in the county of Aroostook.

Temperance.

By Mr. Higgins of Starks: Petition of Asa M. Gilman of Anson and 69 others for mandatory imprisonment of the liquor seller.

By Mr. Lombard of Bridgton: Petition of George W. Barber and 25 others of Bridgton for same.

By Mr. Lambert of Orono: Petition of Rev. John M. Brockle and 59 others for same.

By Mr. Wing of Kingfield: Petition of H. P. Durrell and 80 others of Kingfield for same.

By Mr. Grant of Freeport: Petition of A. C. Bowden and 73 others of Freeport for same.

By Mr. Dorr of Dresden: Petition of W. H. Atchinson and 76 others of Waldoboro for same.

By Mr. Morse of Belfast: Petition of C. L. Wright and 63 others of Belfast for same.

By Mr. Smith of Berwick: Petition of E. P. Spinney and 33 others of North Berwick for same.

By Mr. Patterson of Solon: Petition of W. H. Walters, M. D., and 22 others of Shawmut for same.

By Mr. Colby of Bingham: Petition of S. T. Goodrich and 148 others of Bingham for same.

By Mr. Bussell of Gardiner: Petition of Dana C. Skillen and 45 others of Hallowell for same.

By Mr. Emery of Sanford: Petition of William E. Barry and 94 others of Kennebunk for same.

By Mr. Kavanaugh of Portland: Petition of Rev. A. W. Jefferson and 234 others of Portland for same.

By Mr. Wing of Kingfield: Petition of Lyman H. Durrell and 75 others of Kingfield for retention of Sturgis law.

By Mr. Grant of Freeport: Petition of A. C. Bowden and 12 others for same.

By Mr. Bisbee of Rumford: Remonstrance of T. H. Burgess and 22 others of Rumford Center against repeal of the Sturgis law.

By Mr. Dorr of Dresden: Petition of W. H. Atchinson and 76 others of Waldoboro in favor of the Sturgis law.

By Dr. Morse of Belfast: Petition of C. I. Wright and 63 others for same.

By Mr. Smith of Berwick: Petition of Moses L. Hurd and 33 others of North Berwick for same.

By Mr. Colby of Bingham: Petition of Asa M. Gilman and 35 others of Anson for same.

By Mr. Colby of Bingham: Petition of Melvin Bachelder and 58 others of Fairfield for same.

By Mr. Colby of Bingham: Petition of W. H. Kennison and 38 others of Madison for same; of S. T. Goodrich and 138 others of Bingham for same.

By Mr. Emery of Sanford: Petition of

R. W. Lord and 94 others of Kennebunk for same.

By Mr. Kavanough of Portland: Petition of Rev. R. N. Schuett and 234 others of Portland for same.

By Mr. Higgins of Starks: Remonstrance of Asa M. Gilman of Anson and 56 others against the resubmission of the prohibitory amendment.

By Mr. Dorr of Dresden: Remonstrance of W. A. Vannah and 76 others of Waldoboro against same.

By Mr. Sanborn of Dover: Remonstrance of S. E. Dill and 43 others of Foxcroft against same.

By Mr. Lambert of Orono: Remonstrance of Rev. John M. Broockie and 65 others of Orono against same.

By Mr. Bussell of Gardiner: Remonstrance of J. N. Bates and 44 others of Gardiner against same; of Dana C. Skillen and 49 others of Hallowell against same.

By Mr. Wing of Kingfield: Remonstrance of H. P. Durrell and 82 others of Kingfield against same.

By Mr. Grant of Freeport: Remonstrance of Rev. W. F. Sturtivant and 74 others of Freeport against same.

By Mr. Bisbee of Rumford: Petition of T. H. Burgess and 22 others of Rumford asking that penalty for breaking prohibitory law be imprisonment and fine.

By Mr. Lombard of Bridgton: Remonstrance of George W. Barber and 37 others of Bridgton against resubmission.

By Mr. Bisbee of Rumford: Remonstrance of T. H. Burgess and 21 others against same.

By Mr. Morse of Belfast: Remonstrance of C. I. Wright and 63 others of Belfast against same.

By Mr. Smith of Berwick: Remonstrance of Moses S. Hurd and 35 others of North Berwick against same.

By Mr. Patterson of Solon: Remonstrance of W. H. Walters, M. D., and 21 others of Shawmut against same.

By Mr. Colby of Bingham: Petition of S. T. Goodrich and 10 others of Bingham and vicinity against same.

By Mr. Emery of Sanford: Remonstrance of R. W. Lord and 95 others of Kennebunk against same.

By Mr. Kavanough of Portland: Remonstrance of Rev. A. W. Jefferson and 264 others of Portland against same.

Taxation.

By Mr. Wing of Auburn: An Act for the better collection of taxes.

Salaries and Fees.

By Mr. Spear of South Portland: An Act to amend Section 25 of chapter 52 of the Revised Statutes relating to the compensation of the sheriff of Cumberland County.

By Mr. Strickland of Bangor: An Act to amend Chapter 118 of the Public Laws of 1905 relating to the compensation of clerks of courts.

By Mr. Montgomery of Camden: An Act to amend paragraph 8 of Section 1 of Chapter 151 of the Public Laws of 1905 relating to the salary of the register of probate of Knox County.

By Mr. Burse of Pittsfield: An Act in amendment of Section 16 of Chapter 440 of the Private and Special Laws of 1901 in regard to the establishment of the municipal court of Pittsfield.

By Mr. Haines of Lewiston: An Act amending Chapter 444 of the Private and Special Laws of 1907 relating to the compensation of the clerk of the municipal court of the city of Lewiston.

Portland Delegation.

By Mr. True of Portland: An Act to amend the charter of the city of Portland. (Tabled for printing pending reference to the committee on motion of Mr. True).

York County Delegation.

By Mr. More of Saco: Petition of George L. Sands and 43 others, citizens and taxpayers of Saco, praying for the enactment of Senate Bill No. 13, granting the people of York county the right to vote upon the question of the location of its shire town; of John F. Andrews and 32 others of Saco for same; of D. W. Lowell and 15 others of Saco for same.

By Mr. Hanson of Lyman: Petition of G. E. Emery and 48 others of Linnington for same.

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By Mr. Lambert of Orono: Petition of Woman's Club of Orono for Resolve in favor of Maine State Sanatorium Association.

Resolve in favor of a memorial statue and tablet of Lincoln.

Mr. Hall of Caribou introduced a Resolve in favor of a memorial statue and tablet to Lincoln and on his motion the rules were suspended, the resolve received its two readings and was passed to be engrossed without reference to a committee.

On motion of Mr. Havey of Sullivan the rules were suspended and he introduced the following order:

Ordered, That on Wednesday of each week, under orders of the day, all matters placed on the table in the week preceding and unassigned shall be taken up without motion and disposed of in the order in which they were placed on the table.

Mr. HAVEY: Mr. Speaker, this order needs no comment. It is self-explanatory. I will simply say, gentlemen, that it is introduced at the suggestion of the Speaker to expedite the business of the House and bring us nearer the desired end and I move that the order have a passage.

Mr. PIKE of Eastport: Mr. Speaker, would it be possible under this order to table a matter to a definite time beyond the Wednesday if any gentleman might wish to?

The SPEAKER: This order, as the Chair understands it, simply applies to matters that are on the table, placed there the week preceding and unassigned, not having a definite day assigned for their consideration.

Mr. BURLEIGH of Augusta: I would make one further inquiry of the Chair. There was tabled by my colleague (Mr. Andrews) and no date assigned, An Act to provide for the removal of foreign paupers. That Act places the administration of its provisions in the hands of the Board of Charities and Corrections. The bill establishing the board has not yet passed and it seemed proper to table this Act until final action could be taken on the other. My present inquiry is whether a further motion to table and assign a definite date would be in order.

The SPEAKER: A further motion to assign a definite date would certainly be in order.

The order then received a passage.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Bigelow from the committee on inland fisheries and game reported "ought not to pass" on bill, An Act to regulate fishing in Mattanawcook lake, Long, Crooked and Folsom ponds, in Lincoln, Penobscot county, as another bill has been reported in relation to the same waters.

Mr. Nickerson from the Waldo county delegation reported same on bill, An Act to amend Chapter 198 of the Private and Special Laws of 1907 relating to records of real estate in the county of Waldo.

The reports were accepted.

Mr. Bigelow from the committee on inland fisheries and game reported "ought to pass" on bill, An Act to regulate fishing in Mattanawcook lake, Long, Crooked and Folsom ponds in Lincoln in the county of Penobscot.

Mr. Bigelow from same committee reported same on bill, An Act to amend Chapter 176 of the Private and Special Laws of 1907, relating to fishing in Bartlett and Cook's brook in the county of York.

Mr. Bigelow from same committee, on petition reported bill, An Act to regulate fishing in Stratton brook and tributaries situated wholly or partly in the county of Franklin, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Bigelow from same committee, on petition reported bill, An Act to open Mayfield and Kingsbury ponds in Somerset county to ice fishing, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. White from the committee on education reported "ought to pass" on bill in new draft, An Act to establish a normal school at Machias to be known as the Washington State Normal school.

Mr. Burleigh from the committee on public buildings and grounds reported in a new draft, Resolve in favor of the enlargement of the State House or the erection of a suitable State office building adjacent thereto and that it ought to pass.

By Mr. Miller from the committee on pensions reported "ought to pass" on Resolve in favor of Martha Burrill.

Mr. Miller from same committee reported "ought to pass" on Resolve in favor of Daniel P. Hobart.

Mr. Miller from same committee report-

ed same on Resolve in new draft, Resolve in favor of William H. Murch.

The reports were accepted and the bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

First Reading of Printed Bills and Resolves.

An Act to provide antitoxin by the local boards of health for diphtheria and other contagious diseases.

An Act relating to the charter of the Hancock County Railway Company.

An Act to extend the charter of the Cumberland County Power and Light Company.

An Act amending Section 38 of Chapter 61 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the registration of vital statistics.

An Act to regulate fishing in Saddleback stream, sometimes called Pease stream, in Franklin county.

An Act to regulate fishing in the tributaries to Little Sebago lake, Cumberland county.

Resolve in favor of Webster plantation, in the county of Penobscot.

Resolve in favor of John M. Taylor.

On motion of Mr. Bigetow of Portland the vote was reconsidered whereby the House assigned for tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock House Doc. No. 184, An Act to provide antitoxin by the local boards of health for diphtheria and other contagious diseases.

Mr. BIGELOW: Mr. Speaker, I now move that this bill be committed to the committee on public health; and in explanation of this I would say that I have read this bill for the first time this morning and I find that its provisions are very broad. It gives the State Board of Health the privilege of applying antitoxin in all cases. That may involve an enormous expense to the State. There should be some restrictions. The general purpose of the bill is excellent but it seems to me that the matter should be safeguarded in some way. The committee on public health is composed of physicians. No one knows more about what is regarded or what safeguards should be placed to this than they do. Therefore I believe they should have

an opportunity to consider it on all its forms.

Mr. HERSEY of Houlton: Mr. Speaker, this bill was referred to the committee on the judiciary where we had a full hearing. Before that committee appeared the State Board of Health. The bill was presented by Dr. Young; it went to our committee at his request. No further examination by the State Board of Health at least would be necessary. It simply provides that the State board may furnish antitoxin to the local boards. At the present time it is a matter of great expense to get this well-known remedy and the State Board of Health can procure it at the least possible expense and sell it to the towns. There is no way of incurring any bills against the State of Maine. It is simply a matter of dealing through the State Board of Health in obtaining this remedy at the least possible price. I do not think any further examination of this matter would be of assistance in giving information to this House that it needs any more than it has already had.

The question being, shall the bill be committed to the committee on public health, a division was had and the motion was lost by a vote of 54 to 56.

On motion of Mr. Bigetow the bill was then laid on the table pending its third reading.

Passed To Be Engrossed.

An Act to amend Section 41 of Chapter 66 of the Revised Statutes relating to the duties of executors and administrators.

An Act to incorporate the Grand Lodge of the Ancient Order of United Workmen of Maine.

Resolve in favor of I. W. Gilbert, secretary of the committee on Insane hospitals.

Resolve in favor of the Trull Hospital Aid Association.

Resolve to accept the gift of \$1000 from Benjamin C. Jordan of Alfred. (Tabled pending third reading on motion by Mr. Pattangall of Waterville).

An Act to amend Sections 3, 4, 6, 7, 11, 12 and 13 of Chapter 15 of the Public Laws of 1907 relating to the pro-

tection of trees and shrubs from the introduction and ravages of dangerous insects and diseases.

Mr. Additon of Leeds offered House Amendment A by inserting between the lines 26 and 27 of page 9 the following: "Cities and towns having a total assessed valuation of more than \$750,000 and not exceeding \$1,500,000 assessed valuation shall receive 75 per cent. of such money as may have been expended by them in excess of one-twentieth of one per cent. of such valuation.

On motion of Mr. Burleigh of Augusta the bill and pending amendment were tabled.

On motion of Mr. Beyer of Portland the amendment was ordered printed.

An Act to confirm and make valid the organization of the Andover Water Company and authorize it to issue bonds and extend its plant, came from the Senate with House Amendment A adopted in concurrence.

Mr. Smith of Andover offered an amendment by striking out the enacting clause and inserting "Be it enacted by the people of the State of Maine as follows."

The amendment was adopted, and the bill was then passed to be engrossed as amended.

Passed to be Enacted.

An Act to repeal Chapter 352 of the Private and Special Laws of 1907 entitled "An Act to prohibit the taking of lobsters in Hancock county."

The SPEAKER: This bill contains an emergency clause. If it is to be passed to be enacted it must receive the vote of two thirds of all the members elected to the House.

A division was had and the bill was passed to be enacted by a vote of 102 in the affirmative and none in the negative.

Resolve providing for the payment of claims, accounts and demands against the State accrued during the year 1908 on account of deficiency in appropriations for prevention and extinguishment of forest fires.

The SPEAKER: If this resolve is to finally pass it must receive the vote

of at least two thirds of all the members elected to this House.

A division was had and the resolve was finally passed by a vote of 113 in the affirmative and none in the negative.

An Act to amend the charter of the city of South Portland.

Resolve in favor of Daniel Lineo.

On motion of Mr. Montgomery of Camden the rules were suspended and he presented a petition for Woman Suffrage from Sarah Fairfield Hamilton and 59 others, and on his further motion it was referred to the committee on the judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Rounds of Portland the rules were suspended and he presented a petition for Woman's Suffrage from Dr. J. Lord Hersom of Portland and 44 others. (Referred to the committee on judiciary.)

On motion of Mr. Marshall of Portland House Doc. No. 107, An Act to regulate the duties of the commissioner of agriculture in relation to the manufacture, transportation and sale of dairy products and their imitation, was taken from the table.

Mr. Marshall offered House Amendment A by striking out in the last line of Section 4 the words "upon the approval of this act," and inserting in place thereof the following words, "when this act shall take effect."

The amendment was adopted, the bill received its third reading and was passed to be engrossed as amended.

On motion of Mr. Wing of Auburn House Doc. No. 186, An Act to provide for the construction and maintenance of highways was taken from the table, and on further motion by Mr. Wing it was referred to the committee on taxation.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Biddeford House Doc. No. 185, An Act to amend Chapter 625 of the Private and Special Laws of 1903 was taken from the table and on further motion by Mr. Smith it was referred to the committee on the judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Nickerson of Swanville House Doc. No. 183, An Act prohibiting the hunting or killing of deer in the counties of Knox and Waldo, was taken from the table and on fur-

ther motion by Mr. Nickerson it was referred to the committee on inland fisheries and game.

On motion of Mr. Stanley of Porter, House Doc. No. 182, An Act to encourage the teaching of manual training, domestic science and agriculture in academies and to repeal Chapter 78 of the Public Laws of 1907, was taken from the table, and on further motion by Mr. Stanley it was referred to the committee on education.

On motion of Mr. Marshall of Portland, House Doc. No. 176, Resolve in favor of Joseph A. Mitchell, representative of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians, was taken from the table.

The resolve was then passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Pike of Eastport the report of the committee on railroads and expresses reporting "ought not to pass" on bill, An Act to amend Section 53 of

Chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes, relating to railroad commissioners, was taken from the table, and on further motion by Mr. Pike the report was accepted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Pike, House Doc. No. 175, Resolve in favor of Charles D. Mitchell, representative of the Penobscot tribe of Indians, was taken from the table.

The resolve then received its second reading and was passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Chase of York the vote was reconsidered whereby the House referred bill, An Act to authorize the construction and maintenance of a highway in the tide waters of York county, to the committee on legal affairs in concurrence.

On further motion by Mr. Chase the bill was then laid on the table pending reference to the committee in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Bigelow of Portland, Adjourned.