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Legislative Record

OF THE

Seventy-Fifth Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1911

HOUSE.

Thursday, Jan. 12, 1911.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Coons of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

From the Senate: Communication from the Executive Department transmitting a communication from the Secretary of State of the United States, under date of July 26, 1909, enclosing a certified copy of a resolution of Congress entitled "Joint resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution of the United States."

On motion of Mr. Davies of Yarmouth this communication was tabled for printing pending reference to a committee.

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

Judiciary.

By Mr. Bowker of Phippsburg: An Act to change the name of Horse Island and Horse Island Harbor.

By Mr. Hersey of Houlton: An Act to amend section 22 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes relating to the regulation and conduct of elections.

By Mr. Cyr of Fort Kent: An Act to incorporate the Fort Kent Electric Company.

By Mr. Manter of Parkman: An Act to incorporate the Sangerville Water Supply Co.

By Mr. Hersey of Houlton: An Act to amend chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes relating to the regulation and conduct of elections.

By Mr. Manter of Parkman: An Act additional to chapter 226 of the Private and Special Laws of 1909.

By Mr. Hersey of Houlton: An Act additional to chapter 62 of the Revised Statutes relating to divorce.

Also An Act to amend section 3 of chapter 62 of the Revised Statutes relating to divorce.

By Mr. Otis of Rockland: An Act to amend section 46 of chapter 106 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 9 of the Public Laws of 1909.

Legal Affairs.

By Mr. Pattangall of Waterville: An Act to abolish the office of Assistant Attorney General.

By Mr. Plummer of Lisbon: An Act to repeal chapter 175 of the Public Laws of 1909.

By Mr. Mitchell of Kittery: An Act additional to and amendatory of chapter 424 of the Private and Special Laws of 1907, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Kittery Water District within the limits of the town of Kittery for the purpose of supplying the inhabitants of said district, likewise the remaining portion of said town, with pure water for domestic and municipal purposes."

By Mr. Deering of Portland: An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 169 of the Private and Special Laws of 1903 as amended by chapter 361 of the Private and Special Laws of 1909, relating to the Young Women's Christian Association of Portland, Maine.

By Mr. Mace of Great Pond: An Act granting Bradbury Smith the right to maintain a ferry between Sullivan and Hancock.

Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

By Mr. Hersey of Houlton: Resolve in favor of Joseph Dixon.

Also Resolve in favor of Chapin Lydston.

Also Resolve in favor of L. Ernest Thornton.

Also Resolve in favor of Clyde B. Scribner.

Also Resolve in favor of James A. Chase.

Also Resolve in favor of Patrick Hayes.

By Mr. Williamson of Augusta: Resolve in favor of the Augusta General Hospital.

By Mr. Murphy of Portland: Resolve in favor of The Holy Innocent's Home for Infants in the City of Portland.

By Mr. Deering of Portland: Resolve in favor of The Temporary Home for Women and Children of Portland, Maine.

By Mr. Mitchell of Kittery: Resolve in favor of Joseph H. Dixon.

By Mr. Deering of Portland: Re-

solve in favor of the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary.

Also Resolve in favor of St. Elizabeth Roman Catholic Asylum of Portland, Maine.

Also Resolve in favor of the Maine General Hospital.

By Mr. Connors of Bangor: Resolve in favor of Eastern Maine General Hospital.

Banks and Banking.

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

Interior Waters.

By Mr. Davis of Guilford: Resolve in aid of Navigation on Moosehead Lake.

Inland Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Marriner of Searsmont: Petition of H. A. Thorndike and 67 others of Searsmont for removal of close time on deer in Searsmont.

By Mr. Davies of Yarmouth: An Act to amend chapter 85 of the Public Laws of 1907 relating to the protection of gray squirrels.

Sea and Shore Fisheries.

By Mr. Trimble of Calais: Petition of H. W. Eaton and 84 citizens of Calais and Robbinston to amend law in regard to the seining of herring in the St. Croix River.

By Mr. Trimble of Calais: An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 263 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887 relating to the herring fishery in the St. Croix River.

By Mr. Cross of Orland: Petition of Andrew M. Gray and 240 others for the repeal of chapter 360 of the Laws of 1909 and the substitution therefor of enclosed bill relating to taking of smelts in Bagaduce River.

By Mr. Packard of Rockport: Petition of Elden Davis and 45 others of St. George against a nine inch law on lobsters.

By Mr. Trimble of Calais: Petition of H. W. Eaton and 80 other citizens of Calais and Robbinston to amend law in regard to the seining of herring in the St. Croix River.

By Mr. Tucker of Wiscasset: An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 538 of the

Private and Special Laws of 1889 relating to taking of smelts in Sheepscot River.

Towns.

By Mr. Powers of Caribou: An Act to incorporate the town of Stockholm, Aroostook County.

Claims.

By Mr. Bowker of Phippsburg: Resolve in favor of the town of Phippsburg to correct error in apportionment of school and mill fund, 1908.

By Mr. Andrews of Norway: Resolve in favor of the town of Oxford.

Labor.

By Mr. Otis of Rockland: Ordered, The Senate concurring, that the Committee on Labor inquire into the expediency of consolidating the Bureau of Industrial and Labor Statistics and the Department of Factory Inspection, and report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. PATTANGALL of Waterville: Mr. Speaker, I desire to present an order which has been considered and recommended by the committee on rules, and ask that it have immediate passage under suspension of the rules.

The order is as follows:

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that no bill or resolve carrying an appropriation of money shall be introduced after the 10th day of February.

The question being on the motion to suspend the rules and give the order a passage,

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. PATTANGALL: Mr. Speaker, I desire to present an order and ask that the rules be suspended and that it be given an immediate passage. The order is recommended by the committee on rules and refers only to the House. It is as follows:

Ordered, That no bill or resolve carrying an appropriation of money shall be finally passed prior to the first day of March, 1911.

Mr. DAVIES of Yarmouth: Mr. Speaker, I think we are taking rather too hasty action on that order and I should like to have the matter lie over until next week and be especially assigned for Tuesday.

Mr. PATTANGALL: Mr. Speaker, I have no objection to the House taking

that course. I would like to state at the present time in just a word the purpose of the order. It occurred to some of us who had consulted together that the passage of appropriation bills and resolves carrying appropriations of money, one at a time, had gone on here for a good many years in such a way that no member of the House had any idea at any time during the session, or at any time after the session closed until he received a copy of the Acts and Resolves, how much money in whole had been appropriated. The purpose of that order would be to assemble all appropriations and resolves before this House so that any one could get at the total amount appropriated before we had appropriated any money. Further than that, as would of course occur to all the members of the House, in case it became necessary to pass a resolve promptly a two-thirds vote of the House would suspend that rule or any other rule so that emergency matters could be taken care of; but the ordinary run of appropriations, should the House adopt that order, would lie upon the table pending final passage until each member of the House could determine the total amount that the Legislature has spent.

I say these few words in explanation in order that members, in thinking the matter over between now and Tuesday—if it is more agreeable to the House

that the matter should lie on the table until Tuesday—will know the object of the order. Personally I have no objection to its lying on the table for consideration until Tuesday if the House so desires.

The question being on the motion that the order lie on the table and be assigned for next Tuesday.

The motion was agreed to.

The following order came down from the Senate:

Ordered, The House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn they adjourn to meet on Tuesday, Jan. 17, 1911, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

Mr. PATTANGALL: Mr. Speaker, I move that the order be amended so as to read that when we adjourn it be to meet at 4.30 o'clock P. M. on Monday afternoon. We can accomplish a little work on Monday, and next week ought to be a fairly busy week. It seems to me that the Legislature ought to begin to do something as quickly as we can.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment,

The motion was agreed to.

Subsequently the order came back from the Senate with the amendment adopted in concurrence by that branch.

On motion of Mr. Murphy of Portland the House then adjourned.