

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Record

OF THE

Seventy-Sixth Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1913

**HOUSE.**

Wednesday, February 12, 1913.

The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Steele of Hallowell.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Papers from the senate disposed of in concurrence.

From the Senate: An Act to amend chapter 219 of the Private and Special Laws of 1903, to establish a salary for the judge of the Eastport municipal court.

In the House this bill was referred to the Washington County Delegation, and came from the Senate referred to the committee on salaries and fees in non-concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Mildon of Eastport the House voted to recede and concur with the Senate in its reference of the bill to the committee on salaries and fees.

From the Senate: An Act to amend section one of chapter 117 of the Public Laws of 1905, relating to compensation of county commissioners of Androscoggin county.

In the House this bill was referred to the Androscoggin County Delegation, and came from the Senate referred to the committee on salaries and fees in non-concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Plummer of Lisbon the bill was laid upon the table.

From the Senate: An Act to amend chapter 118 of the Laws of 1905, relative to clerk hire of the clerk of courts in York county.

In the House this bill was referred to the York County Delegation, and came from the Senate referred to the committee on salaries and fees in non-concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Waterhouse of Kennebunk the House voted to recede and concur with the Senate in its reference of the bill to the committee on salaries and fees.

From the Senate: Petition of Leroy

Haley and 27 others, relating to clerk hire of the clerk of courts of York county.

In the House this petition was referred to the York County Delegation, and came from the Senate referred to the committee on salaries and fees in non-concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Waterhouse of Kennebunk the House voted to recede and concur with the Senate in its reference of the petition to the committee on salaries and fees.

From the Senate: Report from the committee on judiciary, reporting "ought to pass" on bill, An Act to grant additional rights to married women. (Tabled on motion by Mr. Wheeler of Paris.)

**Senate Bills on First Reading.**

An Act to amend section 14 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes of Maine, relating to county, city and State officers drafting instruments which they are by law required to record.

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

**Judiciary.**

By Mr. Mitchell of Newport: An Act to prevent perjury in the trial of causes before a jury in civil actions.

By Mr. Sanborn of South Portland: Petition of Harry C. Quimby and 17 others of Saco asking for passage of bill relating to osteopathy; also petition of George H. Allen and 15 others of Portland for same; also petition of Charles N. Ross and 14 others of Portland for same; also petition of Stoughton-Folkins Company and 19 others of Portland for same; also petition of James M. Steadman and 14 others of Portland for same; also petition of Carl A. Weber and 18 others of Portland for same; also petition of Grenville C. Smith and 16 others of Portland for same; also petition of H. L. Small and 17 others of Portland for same; also petition of W. S. Allen and 79 others of Freeport for same; also petition of William F. Brinn and 18 others of Portland for same; also petition of Giles C. Grant and 20 oth-

ers of Portland for same; also petition of A. J. Hutchinson and 17 others of Brunswick for same.

By Mr. Mitchell of Newport: Petition of Arthur W. Stone and 37 others of Dexter for same.

By Mr. Sherman of Eden: Petition of the town of Eden in favor of the total repeal of the automobile exclusion laws; also petition of R. H. Kingsley and 19 others for same; also petition of J. B. Brown and 22 others for same; also petition of H. L. Bradley and 18 others for same; also petition of C. E. Marcyes and 155 others for same; also petition of Ernesto G. Fabbri and others for same.

By Mr. Smith of Patten: Petition of Anna M. Morse and 38 others of Patten in favor of woman's suffrage.

By Mr. Merrill of Buxton: Petition of Abbie M. Mitchell and 29 others of Bangor for same; also petition of P. L. Bates and 17 others of Bangor for same; also petition of George B. Lord and 25 others of Orrington and Bangor for same.

By Mr. Cook of Vassalboro: Petition of Sarah G. Payne and 24 others of Gardiner for same; also petition of Allen E. White and 22 others of Wayne for same; also petition of Jennie M. Johnson and 25 others of Wayne for same; also petition of M. Carrie French and 13 others of Winthrop for same; also petition of W. E. Owen and 24 others of Waterville for same.

By Mr. Greenleaf of Auburn: Petition of Lucie E. Humphrey and 24 others of Auburn for same; also petition of C. H. Moody and 25 others of Lewiston and Auburn for same.

By Mr. Pendleton of Searsport: Petition of Rev. Elwin A. Dinslow and 13 others for same.

By Mr. Trimble of Calais: Petition of Mary E. McKellar and 81 others of Calais for same.

By Mr. Johnson of Brownfield: Petition of E. R. Chellis and 21 others of Kezar Falls for same.

By Mr. Bowler of Bethel: Petition of Nellie L. Curtis and 27 others in favor of woman's suffrage. (Introduced under a suspension of the rules by unanimous consent on motion by Mr. Bowler.)

### Education.

By Mr. Nute of Wiscasset: Petition of Charles S. Small of Wiscasset and 31 others in favor of teachers' pension bill.

By Mr. Haskell of Portland: Petition of Neil W. R. Straw and 13 others of Portland for same.

By Mr. Mason of Raymond: Petition of W. C. Sullivan and 11 others of New Gloucester for same.

By Mr. Washburn of Perry: Petition of O. P. Reynolds and 31 others of Perry for same.

By Mr. Brennan of St. George: Petition of Franklin Trussell and 28 others of St. George for same.

By Mr. Johnson of Brownfield: Petition of Andrew Blake and 25 others of Brownfield for same.

### Railroads and Expresses.

By Mr. Mitchell of Newport: An Act to regulate and establish mileage rates for the conveyance of passengers over the steam railroads within the State.

### Agriculture.

By Mr. Jones of China: Remonstrance of E. L. Swift and 31 others of Sidney against any change in the present law relating to the uniform grading and packing of apples.

By Mr. Violette of Van Buren: Resolve providing for an appropriation for the protection of trees and shrubs from the introduction and ravages of the gypsy moth for the year 1914.

### Ways and Bridges.

By Mr. Farrar of Ripley: An Act to provide for the permanent improvement of land within the limits of any highway or townway adjoining any land not known as wild land. (Tabled for printing pending reference to the committee on motion by Mr. Farrar.)

### Inland Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Smith of Patten: Communication of Frank L. Robinson against closing ponds for ice fishing and against the proposed law prohibiting bait fishing.

By Mr. Cook of Vassalboro: Petition of W. H. Stobie and 18 others to repeal Chapter 153 of the Public Laws of 1911 entitled "An Act to prohibit the use of gang hooks in the inland

waters of the State;" also petition of John H. DeOrsay and 11 others for same.

By Mr. Jones of China: Petition of John H. Blewett and 34 others for same; also petition of William C. Hawkes and 22 others for same.

#### Sea and Shore Fisheries.

By Mr. Sanborn of South Portland: Petition of Walter S. Trefethen and 36 others in favor of the present law governing the length of lobsters.

#### Public Health.

By Mr. Spencer of Berwick: An Act to regulate the use of hat pins and other decorative utilities. (Tabled for printing pending its reference to the committee on motion by Mr. Spencer.)

#### Reports by Committees.

Mr. Gordon from the committee on claims, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the town of Norway.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of B. F. Towne of Waterville.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the town of Newport.

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The reports were accepted and the several resolves were tabled for printing under the joint rules.

Mr. Gordon from the committee on claims, on resolve in favor of the town of Mexico, reported legislation thereon inexpedient.

On motion by Mr. Goodwin of Mexico the report of the committee was laid upon the table together with the resolve.

Majority and minority reports from the committee on labor on bill, An Act to amend chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 46 of the Public Laws of 1907 and chapters 70 and 257 of the Public Laws of 1909, relative to the employment of women and children, majority report "ought not to pass" signed by

Messrs. C. E. Smith, Mitchel, Emerson, Eastman, Umphrey, O'Connell and Stuart; minority report, reporting in a new draft under same title and "ought to pass" as per bill attached and marked Exhibit A, signed by Messrs. Allen, Patten, Descoteaux, Mitchell and Stuart.

Mr. Emerson of Island Falls moved that the majority report be accepted.

On motion by Mr. Descoteaux of Biddeford both reports, pending the acceptance of either, were laid upon the table and specially assigned for consideration on Wednesday of next week.

#### First Reading of Printed Bills and Resolves.

An Act to incorporate the Southwest Harbor Water District.

An Act to authorize cities and towns to appropriate money for advertising purposes.

An Act to amend specification one of section 13 of chapter nine of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter four of the Public Laws of 1909 and chapter 140 of the Laws of 1911, relating to taxation of personal property.

An Act to authorize Frederic S. Vaill and Julia C. Vaill, their heirs and assigns, to locate, erect and maintain a bridge or roadway across the tideswaters of Casco Bay between Long Island and Marsh Island, in the city of Portland.

An Act relating to the protection of smelts in the Sasanoa River.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Seed Improvement Association.

#### Passed to Be Engrossed.

An Act to amend chapter 140 of the Public Laws of 1911, relating to the taxation of logs and lumber.

#### Orders of the Day.

On motion by Mr. Ricker of Castine, resolve in favor of the town of Verona, was taken from the table, and on further motion by Mr. Ricker, a statement of facts having been inserted, the resolve was referred to the committee on ways and bridges.

On motion by Mr. Ricker of Castine, resolve in favor of the towns of Castine and Penobscot was taken

from the table, and on further motion by Mr. Ricker, a statement of facts having been inserted, the resolve was referred to the committee on ways and bridges.

On motion by Mr. Stanley of Cumberland, resolve to appropriate \$5000 for enforcement of the brown tail moth law and investigating the same, was taken from the table, and on further motion by Mr. Stanley, a statement of facts having been inserted, the resolve was referred to the committee on agriculture.

Subsequently on motion by Mr. Rolfe of Portland the vote was reconsidered whereby this resolve was referred to the committee on agricul-

ture, and on further motion by Mr. Rolfe the resolve was tabled for printing pending its reference to the committee.

On motion by Mr. Franck of St. Agatha, resolve in favor of highway bridge across the St. John River between Madawaska and Edmunston, New Brunswick, was taken from the table, and on further motion by Mr. Franck, a statement of facts having been inserted, the resolve was referred to the committee on ways and bridges.

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On motion by Mr. Peacock of Readfield,  
Adjourned.