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Legislative Record

OF THE

Seventy-Sixth Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1913

HOUSE.

Friday, February 21, 1913.

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Mosher of Augusta.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

From the Senate: **An Act to regulate moving freight on railroads.**

In the House this bill was referred to the committee on judiciary, and came from the Senate referred to the committee on railroads and expresses in non-concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Benn of Hodgdon, the House voted to recede and concur with the Senate in its reference of the bill to the committee on railroads and expresses.

Subsequently on motion by Mr. Irving of Caribou the vote was reconsidered whereby this bill was referred to the committee on railroads and expresses, in concurrence with the Senate, and on further motion by Mr. Irving the bill was tabled for printing pending its reference to the committee.

From the Senate: Ordered, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn it be to meet, Monday afternoon, February 24th, at half past four o'clock.

The order received a passage in concurrence.

Senate Bills on First Reading.

An Act to authorize the Valley Cemetery Company, located at Greene, in the county of Androscoggin, to take land by right of eminent domain for burial purposes.

An Act to amend Section 71 of Chapter 83 of the Revised Statutes, in regard to the release or discharge of attachments.

An Act relative to untrue and misleading advertisements.

An Act to incorporate the Quebec Extension Railway Company.

An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 163 of the Private and Special

Laws of 1911, and to extend the provisions of said chapter, authorizing the Aroostook Valley Railroad Company to extend its lines from Washburn to the west line of the State.

An Act to repeal Chapter 573 of the Special Laws of 1874 entitled "An Act to prevent the destruction of smelts in Piscataquis River and its tributaries."

An Act to establish a uniform poll tax.

Resolve in favor of Indian Township, for the repair of roads and bridges.

Resolve in favor of co-operative survey of the boundary line between the State of Maine and the state of New Hampshire.

Resolve proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Maine conferring the right of suffrage on women.

On motion by Mr. Scates of Westbrook, this resolve was tabled pending the acceptance of the report of the committee in concurrence, and specially assigned for consideration on Wednesday of next week.

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

Judiciary.

By Mr. Packard of Newburg: Remonstrance of Mrs. Asa A. Patten and 13 others against any change in the present law governing physicians and surgeons; of Mrs. Julia A. Barker and 20 others against same; of F. E. Douglas and 6 others against same; of Adelle M. Porter and 28 others against same; of S. S. Emerson of Hampden and 18 others against same; of Alfred E. Hathorn of Veazie and 23 others against same; of Professor Charles Alvin of Carmel and 19 others against same; of O. F. Whitman of Lewiston and 46 others against same; of Sadie H. Waterman of Auburn and six others against same; of B. H. E. Field and 27 others against same; of William Lowell of Bangor and 8 others against same; of Joseph S. Smith of Foxcroft and 16 others against same; of Charles L. Pollard and 36 others against same; of Dana A. Soule and 29 others against same; of Howard McFarland and 26 others against same; of Rufus C. Barton and 62 others against same; of Jason Lit-

tlefield of Bangor and 89 others against same; of Fred W. Libby of Augusta and 82 others against same; of O. B. Goodwin of East Corinth and 82 others against same.

By Mr. Umphrey of Washburn: Petition of V. E. Wilder and 26 others in favor of a bill to change the time of term of court at Caribou, Aroostook county.

Placed on File.

By Mr. Metcalf of Greenville: Petition of Ira P. Wing and 24 others of Monson in favor of women's suffrage; of Rev. T. E. Ham and 25 others of Monson for same; of Alice V. Liljegren and 21 others of Monson for same; of Harry W. Davis and 26 others of Guilford and Sangerville for same; of Charles Crimper and 42 others of Guilford for same; of A. C. Crockett and 24 others of Guilford and Abbot for same.

By Mr. Butler of Farmington: Petition of Elmer E. Richards of Farmington and 131 others in favor of same.

Legal Affairs.

By Mr. Trimble of Calais: An Act relating to interest and usury. (Tabled for printing pending reference to the committee on motion by Mr. Trimble.)

By Mr. Mitchell of Newport: An Act relating to the committing of burglary with explosives.

By same gentleman: An Act to facilitate the identification of criminals.

By Mr. Sherman of Eden: An Act in relation to the observance of the Lord's day. (Tabled for printing pending reference to the committee on motion by Mr. Sherman.)

By Mr. Hodsdon of North Yarmouth: An Act to limit the hours of employment of conductors and motor men on electric railways. (Tabled for printing pending reference to the committee on motion by Mr. Hodsdon.)

Education.

By Mr. Bowler of Bethel: An Act to increase the number of professionally trained teachers for rural schools. (Tabled for printing pending reference to the committee on motion by Mr. Bowler.)

By Mr. Donoyan of Lewiston: An Act to amend Chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 46 of the Public Laws of 1907, Chapters 70 and 257 of the Public Laws of 1909, and Chapters 55, 118 and 143 of the Public Laws of 1911,

relating to the issuing of age and schooling certificates.

Agriculture.

By Mr. Putnam of Houlton: Resolution of Houlton Grange in favor of the establishment of an experiment and seed farm in Aroostook county.

By Mr. Peacock of Readfield: Petition of A. M. Reilley and 11 others in favor of resolve for Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Woman's College; of Charles H. Dearborn and 11 others of Sebattus for same; of L. T. Shorey and 17 others for same; of George M. Hammond and 8 others for same; of E. E. Gile and 4 others for same; of George W. Norton and 4 others of Portland for same; of J. I. Milliken and 3 others for same; of B. Walker McKeen and 1 other for same; of E. A. Cottle and 3 others for same; of Fred E. Eastman and 25 others for same; of F. M. Dow and 41 others for same.

Interior Waters.

By Mr. Roberts of Waterboro: Petition of James F. Chadbourne and 50 others in relation to taking the waters of Little Ossipee Lake, in the town of Waterboro.

Ways and Bridges.

By Mr. Farrar of Ripley: Petition of L. R. Ramsdell of Ripley and 22 others in favor of improvement of highays in Ripley; of J. H. Wilson, M. D., and 23 others for same; of L. B. LaBree and 19 others for same; of A. W. Packard of Parkman and 10 others for same; of J. S. Lawton and 16 others for same; of P. T. Additon of Ripley and 16 others for same.

Inland Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Marston of Skowhegan: Petition of George E. Emery of Hampden and 63 others in favor of repealing an act entitled "An Act to prohibit the use of gang hooks, so-called, when fishing in the inland waters;" also petition of W. M. White and 30 others in favor of same.

By Mr. Metcalf of Greenville: Remonstrance of J. S. Leeman and 59 others of Monson and Ellitotsville against closing North Pond in Ellitotsville for a period of four years.

Sea and Shore Fisheries.

By Mr. Brennan of St. George: An Act to protect cod and other ground fish in waters off the coast of Maine.

By same gentleman: An Act to

amend Section 59 of Chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes, relating to boats, etc., of non-residents forfeited.

By Mr. Harman of Stonington: Remonstrance of Chester B. Eaton and 16 others of Deer Isle against any change in the general lobster law.

Public Health.

By Mr. Maybury of Saco: An Act to amend Section 8 of Chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 48 of the Public Laws of 1909, relating to the State Board of Health.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Kehoe from the committee on legal affairs, on bill, An Act to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Eden to erect and maintain a wharf in tide-waters, reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. Peacock from the same committee which was instructed by an order of the Legislature to inquire into expediency of petition for investigation of conditions caused by flowage on the St. Croix river by building of dam of the St. Croix Paper Company, reported that same be referred to the committee on interior waters.

Mr. Goodwin from the committee on State lands and forest preservation, on resolve authorizing the sale of Rabbit's Ear and Dolliver's Island, reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. Emerson from the committee on interior waters reported "ought not to pass" on bill, An Act to authorize Enos Sawyer, Jr., of Sebobeis Plantation to maintain booms, stop and sort logs and lumber in Sebobeis stream, Sebobeis Plantation, Penobscot county.

The reports were accepted.

Mr. Gordon from the committee on claims, on resolve in favor of the town of Milo, reported that same "ought not to pass" because of the repeal of the alien law.

On motion by Mr. Durgin of Milo, the resolve was tabled pending the acceptance of the report of the committee.

Mr. Connors from the committee on legal affairs, reported "ought to pass" on bill, An Act to revive and extend the power of the Litchfield Electrical Company.

Mr. Kehoe from same committee, re-

ported "ought to pass" on bill, An Act to extend the charter of the Rumford General hospital.

Mr. Bowler from the committee on education, reported in a new draft and "ought to pass" on bill, An Act to increase the efficiency of the public schools of Maine by retiring teachers of long service with pensions.

Mr. Emerson from the committee on interior waters, reported "ought to pass" on bill, An Act to authorize George W. Junkins, his heirs and assigns, to erect and maintain a dam across Black Water stream, so-called, in the town of Masardis.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill An Act to incorporate the Lazy Tom Brook Dam Company.

Mr. Davis from the same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill, An Act to authorize and empower the Norcross Transportation Company to extend its existing wharf further into North Twin lake.

Mr. Jenkins from the same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill, An Act to change the name of Hayden lake, so-called, to Wesserrunnett lake.

Mr. Packard from the committee on towns, reported "ought to pass" on bill, An Act to incorporate the town of Wade.

Mr. Leveille from the committee on education, reported "ought to pass" on resolve granting an appropriation for maintenance of University of Maine.

Mr. Davis from the committee on interior waters, reported in a new draft and "ought to pass" resolve in favor of aiding navigation on the Lower lakes.

Mr. Jenkins from the same committee, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in aid of navigation on Rangeley lake, Moosehucmeguntic lake and Cup-suptic lake.

Mr. Morrison from the committee on ways and bridges, reported in a new draft and "ought to pass" resolve in favor of the town of Trescott.

Mr. Eastman from the same committee, reported in a new draft and "ought to pass" resolve in aid of repairing highway in the town of Clinton.

Mr. Morrison from the same com-

mittee, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of permanent improvement and repair of the new Ken-duskeag Road in the town of Glen-burn.

Mr. Spencer from the same commit-tee, reported in a new draft and "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of raising and repairing bridge over Garland Brook in the town of Maria-ville.

Mr. Gordon from the committee on claims, reported in a new draft and "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the town of Nobleboro.

Mr. Folsom from the committee on public buildings and grounds, reported "ought to pass" on resolve for improvement of the State Park on the easterly side of State street.

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

Majority and minority reports of the committee on claims on resolve in favor of Michael Burns, majority re-ported in a new draft and "ought to pass," signed by Messrs. Austin, Allen, Saunderson, Scates, Kimball and Gor-don; minority report, reporting "ought not to pass," signed by Messrs. Colby, Conant, Hutchins and Johnson.

Mr. Scates of Westbrook moved that the two reports as well as the new draft be printed.

The motion was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. Hutchins of Penob-scot both reports, pending the accept-ance of either, were tabled and spe-cially assigned for Tuesday of next week.

Mr. Bowler from the committee on education, reported "ought to pass" on bill, an Act to incorporate the trustees of Greeley Institute.

This bill, having already been print-ed, received its first and second read-ings and was assigned for Monday af-ternoon of next week for its third reading.

Mr. Ricker from the committee on education, reported "ought to pass" on bill, an Act authorizing the trustees of the Western State Normal school to take land for school purposes.

This bill having been already print-ed, received its first and second read-ings and was assigned for Monday af-

ternoon of next week for its third reading.

Mr. Thompson from the committee on education, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of Western State Normal school at Gorham for the pur-chase or acquiring of land.

This resolve having been already printed, received its first reading and was assigned for Monday afternoon of next week for its second reading.

First Reading of Printed Bills and Resolves.

An Act relating to the Diamond Is-land Association.

An Act to amend Section 1 of Chap-ter 166 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887 entitled "An Act creat-ing the Fort Fairfield Corporation.

An Act to repeal Section 2 of Chap-ter 13 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, relating to the York Harbor and Beach Railroad.

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

An Act to extend the charter of the Fairfield and Skowhegan Railway Co.

An Act to extend the charter of the Lincoln County Street Railway.

An Act to extend the time in which the Maine Title Guaranty Company is authorized to commence business.

An Act to amend Section 22 of Chap-ter 48 of the Revised Statutes of Maine relating to lost bank deposit books.

An Act to provide free treatment of juvenile dependents by institutions receiving State aid.

An Act to amend specification 1 of Section 13 of Chapter 9 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 4, Public Laws of 1909, and Chapter 140 of the Public Laws of 1911, relating to Taxation of Personal Property.

Resolve making appropriations for the Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians.

Resolve in favor of E. McFarland of Forest Station in Washington coun-ty as a reimbursement for expense in-curred in the erection of a schoolhouse in Township No. 10, Range Three, Washington county.

Resolve in favor of the town of Limestone.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Indus-trial School for Girls at Hallowell for general maintenance.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls at Hallowell for renewals and repairs on all buildings.

Resolve in favor of William H. Richardson, a soldier of the war with Spain.

Passed to Be Engrossed.

An Act to divide the town of Sanford and incorporate the town of Springvale. (Tabled pending its passage to be engrossed and specially assigned for Wednesday of next week, on motion by Mr. Folsom.)

An Act to create the Smyrna Water Company.

An Act to create the Oakfield Water Company.

An Act to amend Section 69 of Chapter 66 of the Revised Statutes, relating to authority of foreign executors, administrators, guardians and trustees.

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 Chapter 455 of the Private and Special Laws of the year 1897, relating to the increase of the capital of Good Will Home Association, a charitable corporation.

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.

Resolve in favor of owners of Township 8, Range 4, N. E. P. P.

Resolve in favor of the town of Carthage

Resolve in favor of the Farmington State Normal School.

Resolve in favor of the Western State

Normal School at Gorham to provide for the partial construction of a dormitory.

Resolve in favor of the Washington State Normal School to provide for the partial construction of a new dormitory.

Orders of the Day.

On motion by Mr. Bragdon of York, House Document No. 287, bill, An Act in amendment of Section 1 of Chapter 130 of the Revised Statutes, relating to sentence in criminal cases, was taken from the table, and on further motion by Mr. Bragdon the bill was referred to the committee on temperance.

On motion by Mr. Higgins of Brewer, House Document No. 270, bill, An Act relating to standard provisions for accident and health policies, was taken from the table, and on further motion by Mr. Higgins the bill was referred to the committee on mercantile affairs and insurance.

On motion by Mr. Hodsdon of North Yarmouth, House Document No. 288, bill, An Act to provide for the taxation of national bank deposits, was taken from the table, and on further motion by Mr. Hodsdon the bill was referred to the committee on taxation.

On motion by Mr. Emerson of Island Falls, House Document No. 269, bill, An Act to amend Section 4 of Chapter 35 of the Public Laws of 1909, relative to licensing of milk dealers, was taken from the table, and on further motion by Mr. Emerson the bill was referred to the committee on agriculture.

On motion by Mr. Churchill of Madison,

Adjourned until Monday afternoon, February 24th, at half past four o'clock.