

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Record

OF THE

Seventy-Seventh Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1915

**HOUSE**

Tuesday, February 9th, 1915.

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Stanley of Hallowell.

Journal of last session read and approved.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

**Senate Bills on First Reading.**

Senate 35: An Act to amend Section two of Chapter 279 of the Private and Special Laws of 1830 entitled "An Act incorporating, the Dead River Log Driving Company"

Senate 33: Resolve appropriating money to assist the town of Whitefield in building a bridge across the Sheepscot River at North Whitefield.

Senate 41: Resolve in favor of repair of bridges in the town of Dresden.

The following bills, petitions, etc., were presented and, on recommendation of the committee on reference of bills, were referred to the following committees:

**Agriculture.**

By Mr. Tuttle of Caribou: Petition of Caribou Grange, No. 138, relating to Arcostook Farm.

**Appropriations and Financial Affairs.**

By Mr. Smith of Hampden: Resolve in favor of Arthur C. Smith, secretary of the committee on State School for Boys and Industrial School for Girls, for expenses of that committee on a visit to the Boys School, with statement of facts.

By Mr. Davis of Old Town: Resolve in favor of the Old Town Orono Anti-Tuberculosis Association for the treatment of tuberculosis among the Penobscot Indians, and for charitable purposes in the treatment of patients by said association, with statement of facts.

By Mr. Ellis of Gardiner: Petition of H. F. Milligan and 14 others for W. C. T. U. Temporary Home for Children at Gardiner; also petition of F. H. Brown and 24 others for same; also petition of J. S. Hunt and 14 others for same; also petition of Mrs. H. S. Fowler and 32 others for same; also petition of

Arno Little and eight others for same.

By Mr. Towle of West Gardiner: Petition of Mrs. Emma A. Weeks and members of Mt. Vernon Grange, No. 429, for same; also petition of Alfred R. Merrill and 52 others for same; also petition of A. P. Haskell and 14 others for same; also petition of Ralph E. Manson and 22 others for same; also petition of Mrs. E. H. Buxton and 32 others for same; also petition of Edith M. Gerry and 79 others for same; also petition of M. D. Poole and 17 others for same; also petition of John Elmer and eight others for same; also petition of Rev. Charles F. Smith and 58 others for same.

**Claims.**

By Mr. Goodwin of Mexico. Resolve in favor of the town of Mexico, with statement of facts.

**Education**

By Mr. Haraden of Bath: An Act to establish a Board of Education for the city of Bath. (Ordered printed and referred).

By Mr. Wescott of Bluehill: Resolve reimbursing Bluehill-George Stevens Academy for money expended for a secondary school in the town of Bluehill, with statement of facts.

By Mr. Hill of Corinth: Resolve in favor of Higgins Classical Institute, with statement of facts.

**Inland Fisheries and Game.**

By Mr. Wise of Guilford: An Act to regulate fishing in Whetstone Pond, so-called, situated in the town of Kingsbury and in the town of Blanchard, in the county of Piscataquis.

By Mr. Wheeler of Brunswick: An Act to amend Section 43 of Chapter 32 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 206 of the Public Laws of 1913, relating to the protecting of game birds.

By Mr. Wyman of Kingfield: An Act to amend Section 33 of Chapter 32 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 296 of the Public Laws of 1913, relating to the closed season on wild hares or rabbits.

**Judiciary.**

By Mr. Maxwell of Boothbay Harbor: An Act to amend Section 12 of

Chapter 227 of the Private and Special Laws of 1911, relating to voting in Bayville Village Corporation. (Ordered printed and referred.)

By Mr. Corliss of Bath: An Act to incorporate the Bath Water District. (Ordered printed and referred.)

By Mr. Sanborn of South Portland: An Act to correct and protect helpless, neglected and offending children, to be known as "The Children's Act." (Ordered printed and referred.)

By Mr. Hill of Corinth: An Act to abolish payment of salaries to judges of Supreme and Superior Courts after their retirement. (Ordered printed and referred.)

By Mr. Tobey of Eliot: An Act to provide for the inspection of all public or private hospitals, reformatory homes, houses of detention, convents, asylums, sectarian seminaries, schools or institutions by the commissioners of the county in which such institutions are situated, by the grand jury thereof, or by any person or persons appointed by a judge of a court of record, upon a petition signed by 20 persons of said county. (Ordered printed and referred.)

By Mr. Pierce of Houlton: An Act to authorize the Maine & New Brunswick Electrical Power Company, Limited, to exercise certain powers within the State of Maine (Ordered printed and referred.)

By Mr. St. Clair of Calais: An Act to amend Section one of Chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes, relating to nuisances. (Ordered printed and referred.)

#### Legal Affairs.

By Mr. Wasgatt of Deer Isle: An Act to legalize and confirm the incorporation and doings of the Congregational Church Society of Stonington and to change the name of said corporation.

By Mr. Greenleaf of Portland: An Act to amend Section one of Chapter 114 of the Public Laws of 1905, relating to sales of merchandise in bulk to include other trade assets. (Ordered printed and referred.)

By Mr. Hanson of Sanford: Petition of Marcella A. Cullen and 59 other trained nurses of York County for passage of an act to procure state registration for nurses; also petition of H. W. Hurd, M. D., and 48 other physicians of York County in favor of same.

By Mr. Maxwell of Boothbay Harbor: Petition of Emma B. Day and two other trained nurses of Lincoln County in favor of same; also petition of W. H. Parsons and eight others physicians of Lincoln County in favor of same.

#### Military Affairs.

By Mr. Picher of Waterville: Resolve in favor of monuments in memory of Benedict Arnold's expedition through Maine to Quebec. (Ordered printed and referred.)

#### Pensions.

By Mr. Holt of Gouldsboro: Petition of B. G. Bickford and 25 others of Schoodic Grange, No. 408, of Winter Harbor, in favor of the Act for the relief of the blind residents of Maine.

By Mr. Webb of Cherryfield: Petition of W. E. Francis and 14 others of Cherryfield Grange, No. 256 of Cherryfield in favor of same.

#### Sea and Shore Fisheries.

By Mr. Goldthwaite of Biddeford: An Act to amend Sections 17 and 20 of Chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes of 1903, as amended, relating to the measurement of lobsters, and to add thereto Section 29, as hereinafter set forth. State School for Boys and Industrial

#### School for Girls.

By Mr. Lewis of North Haven: Petition of the Pythian Sisters, Baptist church and two other organizations of North Haven for the establishment of a reformatory for women.

#### Taxation.

By Mr. Plummer of Lisbon: An Act to permit home rule in the imposition of the poll tax. (Ordered printed and referred.)

By Mr. Pierce of Houlton: An Act to amend Section one of Chapter eight of the Revised Statutes, relating to the prompt payment of poll taxes. (Ordered printed and referred.)

#### Ways and Bridges.

By Mr. Nicholas of Eastport: An Act to amend various charters granted the proprietors of the Eastport bridge and the city of Eastport, relating to the erection and maintenance of a bridge between Eastport and Perry.

By Mr. Daigle of New Canada: Resolve in favor of New Canada Planta-

tion in the construction and maintenance of certain of its roads with statement of facts.

By Mr. Davis of Old Town: Resolve in favor of the Oldtown-Milford bridge, with statement of facts.

By Mr. Lewis of North Haven: Resolve in favor of resurfacing the state highway between Rockport and Camden, with statement of facts.

By Mr. Thibodeau of Fort Kent: Resolve in favor of the Plantations of Wallagrass and New Canada, with statement of facts.

By Mr. Tabbutt of Columbia: Resolve in favor of repairing and rebuilding the road in the town of Columbia, Washington County, from Harrington town line to the town line of Columbia Falls, with statement of facts.

By Mr. Morrison of Eden: Resolve in favor of grading and surfacing hill adjacent to Garlands Brook, in the town of Mariaville, with statement of facts.

By Mr. Hart of Holden: Petition of Christopher Crossman and eight others for the repair of highway from Bangor to Ellsworth by the way of Brewer, Holden and Dedham.

By Mr. Daigle of New Canada: Petition of Henry H. Daigle and 39 others in favor of New Canada Plantation in the construction and maintenance of its roads.

By Mr. Wescott of Bluehill: Petition of S. B. Condon and 24 others in favor of special appropriation for road in town of Penobscot.

By Mr. Hodgkins of Harpswell: Remonstrance of H. M. Allen and 24 others against the proposed amendment of Chapter 356 of the Private and Special Laws of 1883, relating to bridge between Orr's and Bailey's Islands; also remonstrance of Theodore Bullard and 46 others against same; also remonstrances of George W. Merriman and 32 others against same; also remonstrance of William Randall and 22 others against same; also remonstrance of Rt. Rev. Robert Codman and 17 others against same.

#### Orders.

On motion by Mr. Gerrish of Greenville, it was

Ordered, That the committee on inland fisheries and game be granted the

use of the Hall of Representatives for a public hearing on the afternoon and evening of Wednesday, February 17th.

The order received a passage.

#### Reports of Committees.

Mr. Higgins from the committee on appropriations and financial affairs, reported in a new draft and "ought to pass" resolve in favor of the People's Ferry Company, for maintenance.

The report was accepted and the resolve was tabled for printing under the joint rules.

#### Orders of the Day.

On motion by Mr. Plummer of Lisbon, House Doc. No. 47, bill, An Act to extend the charter of the Eastern Maine Railroad, was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same gentleman the bill was given its third reading and was passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Plummer of Lisbon, House Doc. No. 53, Resolve in favor of the construction of road in the town of Moscow, was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same gentleman the resolve received its second reading and was passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Plummer of Lisbon, House Doc. No. 55, Resolve in favor of the repair of highway in Caratunk Plantation, was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same gentleman the resolve received its second reading and was passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Higgins of Brewer, House Doc. No. 65, Resolve in favor of repairing County Road leading through Brewer, Holden and Dedham to Ellsworth, was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same gentleman the resolve was referred to the committee on ways and bridges.

On motion by Mr. Plummer of Lisbon, House Doc. No. 56, Resolve in favor of the repair of the River Road in Pleasant Ridge Plantation, in Somerset County, in the part thereof known as the John Rowe Ledge, was taken from the table, and on further motion

by the same gentleman the resolve received its second reading and was passed to be engrossed.

Mr. THOMBS of Lincoln: I would like to inquire through the Chair from the gentleman from Lisbon, Mr. Plummer, if he has any objection to the consideration at this time of House Doc. No. 54, An Act to extend the charter of the Monson Water Company?

The SPEAKER: The Chair will make the inquiry of the gentleman from Lisbon, Mr. Plummer.

Mr. Plummer: Mr. Speaker, I will say that I should like to have that matter lay over until the session of tomorrow.

On motion by Mr. Tabbutt of Columbia Falls,

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.