

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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OF THE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1915

**HOUSE**

Wednesday, March 3rd, 1915.

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Dunnack of Augusta.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

**Senate Bills on First Reading**

Senate 176: Resolve in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls at Hallowell, to provide for the payment of interest on trust funds deposited in the State Treasury.

Senate 177: An Act to incorporate the Salisbury Cove Water Company.

Senate 183: An Act to incorporate the Maine Fire Insurance Company.

Senate 189: An Act to amend Section 73 of Chapter four of the Revised Statutes, relating to the investment of sinking funds established by any city or town.

Senate 190: An Act to amend Section 15 of Chapter 65 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 38 of the Public Laws of 1907, relating to the jurisdiction of Probate Courts.

Senate 191: An Act to amend Section one of Chapter 145 of the Public Laws of 1911 entitled "An Act to insure publicity with respect to the demands upon the State and to facilitate legislative committees in dealing with the questions of appropriations."

Senate 192: An Act to amend Paragraph 27 of Section one of Chapter 116 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the compensation of the subordinate officers of the Maine State Prison, as amended by Chapter 54 of the Public Laws of 1907 and by Chapters 197 and 205 of the Public Laws of 1909.

Senate 149: An Act to equalize the salaries of registers of deeds. (Tabled pending its third reading and specially assigned for consideration on Thursday, March 11th, on motion by Mr. Connellan of Portland.)

Senate 150: An Act to equalize the salaries of the registers of probate. (Tabled pending its first reading and specially assigned for consideration on

Friday, March 5th, on motion by Mr. Millett of Belfast.)

Senate 160: An Act to equalize the salaries of the clerks of the judicial courts. (Tabled pending its second reading and specially assigned for consideration on Thursday, March 11th, on motion by Mr. Connellan of Portland.)

Senate 148: An Act to equalize the salaries of sheriffs. (Tabled pending its second reading and specially assigned for consideration on Thursday, March 11th, on motion by Mr. Connellan of Portland.)

Senate 193: Resolve for retracing and defining the lines around the reserved or school lands of plantations and townships.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will state to the House at this time that there are some errors on the second page of the calendar for today. The heading "Bills on third reading" should be erased, those matters coming under the head of "Tabled and assigned." There are some errors also in the dates of assignments; some of the matters put down for March 4th were in fact assigned for March 11th, and it is so recorded. If the members who have those matters in charge will bear that in mind we will avoid any difficulty.

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

**Education.**

By Mr. Peterson of New Sweden: An Act to amend Section two of Chapter 15 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter ninety of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred and seven and Chapter 148 of the Public Laws of 1913, relating to the conveyance of common school pupils. (Ordered printed and referred.)

By Mr. Tuttle of Caribou: Resolution of Aroostook County Pomona Grange, representing 2,000 members, of Caribou Grange, representing 463 members, of Amity Grange, representing 100 members, of Narramissic Grange, representing 72 members, of Skowhegan Grange, representing 496 members, of Equity Grange, representing 58 members, of

Saco Grange, representing 150 members, of Lubec Grange, representing 394 members, of Dexter Grange, representing 350 members, of Sabbathday Lake Grange, representing 113 members, of Pleasant River Grange, representing 41 members, in favor of distribution of State School funds, according to aggregate distribution.

By Mr. Wilson of Levant: Resolution of Sedgwick Grange, representing 171 members of Mariaville Grange, representing 135 members, of Rainbow Grange, representing 143 members, in favor of same.

By Mr. Hill of Corinth: Resolution of Sebasticook Grange, representing 110 members, in favor of same.

By Mr. Gerrish of Greenville: Resolution of So. Sangerville Grange, representing 127 members, in favor of same.

By Mr. Lewis of North Haven: Resolution of White Oak Grange, representing 145 members, in favor of same.

By Mr. Currier of Camden: Resolution of Mt. Pleasant Grange, representing 42 members, in favor of same.

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By Mr. Fay of Dexter: Resolution of Dexter Grange, representing 350 members, favoring equal suffrage for women.

By Mr. Averill of Prentiss: Resolutions of Equity Grange, representing 58 members; of Skowhegan Grange, representing 496 members; of Narramissic Grange, representing 72 members, favoring same.

By Mr. Tuttle of Caribou: Resolutions of Amity Grange, representing 100 members; of Aroostook County Pomona Grange, representing 2,000 members; of Caribou Grange representing 463 members, favoring same.

By Mr. Ames of Stockton Springs: Resolutions of Abbot Grange, representing 120 members; of Bear River Grange; representing 81 members; of Rockemeka Grange, representing 75 members; of Paris Grange, representing 215 members, of Floral Grange, representing 75 members; of East Piscataquis Pomona Grange, representing 475 members; of Woolwich Grange, representing 149 members; of Pembroke Grange, representing 110 members, favoring same.

By Mr. Chadbourne of Baldwin: Reso-

lutions of Mystic Tie Grange, representing 175 members; of Riverside Grange, representing 74 members; of Oxford Grange, representing 75 members; of Franklin Grange, representing 224 members; of Canaan Grange, representing 420 members; of Harmony Grange, representing 175 members; of Golden Sheaf Grange, representing 300 members, and of Pine Tree Grange, representing 190 members favoring same.

#### Inland Fisheries and Game

By Mr. Brann of Wintarep: An Act additional to Chapter thirty-two of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter two hundred and six of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred and thirteen, relating to fishing in the tributaries to Berry pond, in Winthrop, in the County of Kennebec.

By Mr. Pierce of Houlton: An Act to amend Section 56 of Chapter 206 of the Public Laws of the State of Maine for 1913, relating to the registration of guides. (Ordered printed and referred.)

#### Judiciary.

By Mr. Pierce of Houlton: An Act to amend Chapter 161 of the Private Laws of 1912, relating to payment of small legacies to minors under decree of court. (Ordered printed and referred.)

By Mr. Campbell of Island Falls: An Act to amend Section eight of Chapter 133 of the Revised Statutes, relating to jurisdiction of municipal courts. (Ordered printed and referred.)

By Mr. Currier of Camden: Resolution of Mt. Pleasant Grange, representing a membership of 42, favoring an Act to amend Chapter 129 of the Public Laws of 1913, relating to corporations for the operation of telegraphs or telephones.

By Mr. Averill of Prentiss: Resolutions of Dexter Grange representing 350 members; of Lubec Grange representing 394 members; of Saco Grange, representing 150 members; of Equity Grange representing 58 members; of Skowhegan Grange representing 496 members; of Narramissic Grange representing 72 members; of Pleasant River Grange representing 41 members; in favor of same.

By Mr. Tuttle of Caribou: Resolutions of Amity Grange representing 100 members; of Caribou Grange representing 463 members, favoring same.

By Mr. Perham of Woodstock: Resolutions of Auburn Grange representing 412 members; of Round Mountain Grange representing 57 members; of Sweden Grange representing 59 members; favoring same.

By Mr. Hill of Corinth: Resolutions of Sebasticook Grange representing 110 members, favoring same.

By Mr. Gerrish of Greenville: Resolution of South Sangerville Grange representing 127 members, favoring same.

By Mr. Wilson of Levant: Resolutions of Crystal Lake Grange representing 81 members; of Sedgwick Grange, representing 171 members; of Mariaville Grange representing 135 members; of Seven Star Grange representing 70 members; of Palmyra Grange representing 140 members, and of Star of Progress Grange representing 80 members, favoring same.

By Mr. Ford of Whitefield: Resolution of Huntoon Hill Grange representing 76 members, favoring same.

By Mr. Woodman of Auburn: Resolution of Stevens Mills Grange representing 121 members, favoring same.

By Mr. Wilson of Levant: Petition of G. S. Chapman and 22 others, residents of Bangor and Glenburn, against the enactment of House Document No. 144.

#### Legal Affairs.

By Mr. Greeley of Portland: An Act to amend Section two of Chapter 114 of the Revised Statutes of 1903, relating to arrests and disclosures on leaving the State. (Ordered printed and referred.)

#### Salaries and Fees.

By Mr. Danforth of Foxcroft: An Act relating to the compensation of clerks of courts.

By Mr. Neilon of Biddeford: An Act to fix the salary of certain public officers.

By Mr. McKinley of Jackson: An Act to amend Paragraph 15, Section one, Chapter 173 of the Public Laws of 1905, relative to the salary of Register of Deeds of Waldo County.

#### Sea and Shore Fisheries.

By Mr. Welch of Machiasport: Remonstrance of E. B. Small and 51 others against House Bill 292, relating to seining of herring.

By Mr. Tabbutt of Columbia: Protest of D. D. Joy and 54 others of Addison

against any change in our laws relating to catching herring, especially the bill allowing the use of seines within one thousand feet of a fish weir.

#### Reports of Committees.

Mr. Washburn from the committee on agriculture, reported in a new draft and "ought to pass" Resolve in favor of the Bureau of Horticulture.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill, An Act to create a crop Pest Commission.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported in a new draft and "ought to pass" Resolve for weights and measures.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on Resolve to provide for carrying out the provisions of Chapter 156 of the Public Laws of 1915, entitled "An Act to regulate the packing, shipping and sale of apples."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on Resolve in favor of the New England Fruit Show.

Mr. Coffin from the committee on military affairs, reported "ought to pass" on Resolve in favor of monuments in memory of Benedict Arnold's Expedition through Maine to Quebec.

Mr. Besse from the committee on ways and bridges, reported in a new draft and "ought to pass" Resolve in favor of aid in repairing the international bridge between the towns of Van Buren, Maine, and St. Leonards, New Brunswick.

Mr. Cobb from same committee, reported in a new draft and "ought to pass" Resolve in favor of repairing a road in the town of Columbia, Washington County.

Mr. Besse from the same committee, reported in a new draft and "ought to pass" Resolve in favor of aid in constructing a road in the plantation of New Canada.

Mr. Wilkins from the same committee, reported "ought to pass" on Resolve in favor of the town of Merrill to aid in building a bridge.

Mr. Cobb from same committee, reported in a new draft and "ought to pass" Resolve in favor of aid in repairing bridge across the Penobscot River in the towns of Enfield and Howland.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill, An Act

to extend the charter of the Eastport bridge.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported in a new draft and "ought to pass" Resolve in favor of aid in repairing Mill Cove bridge in the town of Robbinston.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported in a new draft and "ought to pass" Resolve in favor of Indian Township, for the repair of roads and bridges.

Mr. Besse from same committee, reported in a new draft and "ought to pass" Resolve in favor of aid in repairing Sebocis bridge in the town of Howland.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported in a new draft and "ought to pass" Resolve in favor of aid in building a road in the towns of Amherst, county of Hancock, and Clifton, county of Penobscot.

Mr. Cobb from same committee, reported in a new draft and "ought to pass" Resolve in favor of aid in repairing a bridge across the Piscataquis River in the town of Howland.

Mr. Pollard from same committee, reported in a new draft and "ought to pass" Resolve in favor of aid in repairing a road in the town of Abbot.

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

Mr. Washburn from the committee on agriculture, reported "ought not to pass" on bill, An Act to amend Section one of Chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Section 98 of the Public Laws of 1909, relating to the duties of the commissioner of agriculture.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill, An Act to amend Section five of Chapter 35 of the Public Laws of 1909, relating to the manufacture, transportation and sale of dairy products and their imitations.

Mr. Ricker from the committee on education, on Resolve reimbursing Bluehill-George Stevens Academy for money expended for a secondary school in the town of Bluehill, reported that the same "ought not to pass," as this matter has been settled with the Auditor's Department.

Mr. Gerrish from the committee on

inland fisheries and game, on petition of A. M. Linnell and 25 others relative to protection of fish in Magalloway waters, also remonstrance of N. R. Leach and 15 others against any change in the fishing laws governing the Magalloway waters, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw as the subject matter of said petition and remonstrance is covered by a bill to be reported by this committee.

Same gentleman from same committee, on bill, An Act in amendment of Chapter 32 of the Revised Statutes of Maine, as amended by Chapter 206 of the Public Laws of 1913, relating to inland fisheries and game (close time on trout and salmon), reported that the same be placed on file as the subject matter is covered by another bill to be reported by this committee.

Mr. Campbell from the committee on judiciary, reported "ought not to pass" on bill, An Act to abolish the payment of salaries to judges of the Supreme and Superior Courts after their retirement.

Mr. Connellan from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill, An Act to abolish the January term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the county of Washington.

Mr. St. Clair from the committee on military affairs, reported "ought not to pass" on Resolve in favor of an appropriation for the preservation of the Regimental Rolls of the War with Spain in the office of the Adjutant General.

Mr. Perham from the committee on ways and bridges, reported "ought not to pass" on Resolve in favor of grading and surfacing hill adjacent to Garland's Brook, in the town of Mariaville.

Mr. Pollard from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on Resolve in favor of Washington Plantation and Perkins Plantation, in Franklin county, for the repair and permanent improvement of highway.

Mr. Durgain from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on Resolve in favor of replanking and repainting bridge between East Millinocket and Medway.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on

Resolve in favor of the plantations of Wallagrass and New Canada.

Mr. Pollard from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on Resolve in favor of repairing a bridge in Drew Plantation.

Mr. Perham from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on Resolve in favor of the town of Steuben.

Mr. Pollard from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on Resolve in favor of the towns of Penobscot and Castine for repair of bridge and road.

Mr. Wilkins from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on Resolve in favor of resurfacing the state highway between Rockport and Camden.

Mr. Perham from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on Resolve to provide for repairs on the Mount Desert toll bridge whenever it is made a free bridge.

Mr. Pollard from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on Resolve in favor of a roadway in Townships No. 5 and 6, Ninth Range, N. W. P., in the county of Piscataquis.

The reports were accepted.

#### Passed to Be Engrossed

Senate 169: An Act to close Socatean Stream to power boats.

Senate 178: An Act to amend Section 11 of Chapter 221 of the Public Laws of 1913, relative to the time of closing the polls at primary elections.

Senate 179: An Act to extend the charter of the Mt. Vernon Water and Electric Company.

Senate 180: An Act to amend Section 55 of Chapter 49 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 47 of the Public Laws of 1913, relating to the enforcement of mortgagee's lien for insurance.

Senate 181: An Act relating to the liquidation of domestic insurance companies.

Senate 182: An Act to extend the charter of the World's Standard Insurance Company.

Senate 184: An Act relating to the cancellation of fire insurance policies without tender of the return premium.

Senate 185: An Act to amend Section 71 of Chapter 4 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 59 of the

Public Laws of 1907, relating to the authority of towns to raise money.

Senate 186: An Act to provide for the reduction in the penal sum of probate bonds.

Senate 187: An Act to amend Section 7 of Chapter 221 of the Public Laws of 1913, relating to the nomination of United States Senators.

Senate 188: An Act to amend Section 52 of Chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes to provide for filling vacancies in the representation of the State in the United States Senate.

House 401: An Act to amend Sections 4, 7 and 8 and adding Section 12 to Chapter 65 of the Public Laws of 1911, relating to the Department of Labor and Industry.

House 404: An Act to amend Section 11 of Chapter 116 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 53 of the Public Laws of 1905, as amended by Chapter 183 of the Public Laws of 1907, relating to the compensation of members of the government.

House 405: An Act to amend Section 69 of Chapter 29 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the remuneration of deputy sheriffs. (Tabled on motion by Mr. Hill of Corinth pending its third reading, and specially assigned for consideration on Thursday, March 11.)

House 407, An Act to amend Section 10 of Chapter 12 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 157 of the Public Laws of 1905, and as amended by Chapter 40 of the Public Laws of 1907, and as amended by Chapter 128 of the Public Laws of 1911, relating to the support of county law libraries. (On motion of Mr. Hill of Corinth, tabled pending its third reading, and specially assigned for consideration on Thursday, March 11.)

House 408: An Act to amend Paragraph nine of Section 13 of Chapter nine of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taxation of personal property held by religious societies.

House 409: An Act to amend Section 25 of Chapter nine of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 16 of the Public Laws of 1907, and to amend Section 30 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taxation of the property of corporations.

House 411: An Act to regulate the

construction of mausoleums, or tombs, to be used for permanent burial.

House 412: An Act to establish a minimum wage for State House employees.

House 413: An Act additional to Chapter 290 of the Private and Special Laws of 1911, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Rumford and Mexico Water District.

House 414: An Act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 32 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 206 of the Public Laws of 1913, relating to ice fishing in Forest lake in Cumberland county.

House 415: An Act additional to Chapter 32 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 206 of the Public Laws of 1913, relating to ice fishing in Tilton, David and Basin ponds in the town of Fayette, and county of Kennebec.

House 416: An Act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 32 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 206 of the Public Laws of 1913, relating to fishing through the ice in Brewer pond in the county of Penobscot and the county of Hancock.

House 417: An Act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 32 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 206 of the Public Laws of 1913, relating to ice fishing in Big Indian pond in St. Albans in the county of Somerset.

House 418: An Act additional to Chapter 32 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 206 of the Public Laws of 1913, relating to the protection of foxes.

House 419: An Act additional to Chapter 32 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 206 of the Public Laws of 1913, relating to ice fishing in Passadumkeag river, sometimes called Passadumkeag stream, in the county of Penobscot and the county of Hancock.

House 420: An Act to further amend Section 62 of Chapter 15 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 48 of the Public Laws of 1905, and by Chapter 88 of the Public Laws of 1911, relating to High schools.

House 421: Resolve appropriating money for the town of Newfield in

payment of additional State school funds for the year 1912.

House 422: An Act to amend Section 34 of Chapter 15 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 173 of the Public Laws of 1911, and Chapter 78 of the Public Laws of 1913, relating to the employment of superintendent of schools. (Tabled on motion of Mr. Meader of Chelsea pending passage to be engrossed, and specially assigned for consideration on Wednesday, March 10)

House 424: An Act additional to Chapter 32 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 206 of the Public Laws of 1913, relating to fishing in Meadow brook, and its tributaries, in Stockton Springs and Prospect in the county of Waldo.

House 425: An Act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 32 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 206 of the Public Laws of 1913, relating to ice fishing in Harlow pond in Parkman in the county of Piscataquis.

House 426: An Act additional to Chapter 32 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 206 of the Public Laws of 1913, relating to the taking of white perch in Little river in Old Orchard in the county of York.

House 435: An Act additional to Chapter 244 of the Private and Special Laws of 1905, as amended by Chapter 95 of the Private and Special Laws of 1909, and as amended by Chapter 117 of the Private and Special Laws of 1911, relating to the Greenville Light & Power Co.

House 436: An Act to enlarge the purposes of the New England Fish Co.

House 437: An Act additional to Chapter 156 of the Private and Special Laws of 1907 relating to the charter of the Penobscot Bay Electric Co.

House 438: An Act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 211 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, as amended by Chapter 392 of the Private and Special Laws of 1905, relating to the Bangor municipal court.

House 439: An Act to amend Chapter 13 of the Private and Special Laws of 1911, as amended by Chapter 103 of the Private and Special Laws of 1913,

relating to the Bingham Water District.

House 440: An Act relating to the adjustment and payment of fire losses.

House 441: An Act to amend Chapter 180 of the Private and Special Laws of 1913 relating to the charter of the Farmington-Oakland Interurban Railway.

House 442: An Act to amend Chapter 123 of the Private and Special Laws of the year 1911, as amended by Chapter 148 of the Private and Special Laws of 1913, relating to the charter of the Lubec, East Machias and Machias Railway Co.

House 443: An Act to amend Chapter 217 of the Private and Special Laws of the year 1913, relating to the charter of the Interurban Ferry Co.

House 444: An Act to allow transportation companies to issue free or reduced rate transportation to their employes holding State or county or municipal offices, except on such travels as are ordered by the State or county or municipality.

House 445: An Act to amend Chapter 61 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891, relating to Limerock Railroad Company.

House 446: An Act to extend the charter of the Rumford Falls and Bethel Street Railway.

House 447: An Act to extend the charter of the Waldo Street Railway Company.

House 448: An Act to amend the charters of the Thomaston Street Railway Company, the Rockland Street Railway Company, and the Camden and Rockport Street Railway Company.

House 449: An Act to extend the charter of the Lincoln County Street Railway.

House 450: An Act for the prompt payment of poll taxes. (Tabled on motion by Mr. Plummer of Lisbon pending its third reading for the purpose of offering an amendment.)

House 451: An Act to incorporate the town of Chapman in Aroostook County.

House 452: An Act to amend Section one of Chapter 166 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, entitled "An Act creating the Fairfield Village Corporation", as amended by Chapter 303 of the

Private and Special Laws of 1907, as amended by Chapter 242 of the Private and Special Laws of 1909, and as amended by Chapter 50 or the Private and Special Laws of 1913.

House 453: An Act to change the name of Mark Island, lying in Penobscot Bay in the County of Hancock, about two miles east southeast of Dark Harbor in the County of Waldo, and in Latitude 44 15 30 N. and Longitude 68 52 W., to Resolution Island.

Senate 170: Resolve appropriating money for aid in repairing a highway in the town of Whitneyville and Marshfield, and providing for the future maintenance thereof. (Tabled on motion by Mr. Connellan of Portland pending its second reading, and specially assigned for consideration on Tuesday, March 9.)

Senate 171: Resolve appropriating money to aid the town of Trescott in repairing its highways. (Tabled on motion by Mr. Connellan of Portland, and specially assigned for consideration on Tuesday, March 9.)

Senate 172: Resolve appropriating money to aid in building a bridge across the south branch of Dead River in the Plantation of Dallas. (Tabled on motion by Mr. Connellan of Portland, and specially assigned for consideration on Tuesday, March 9.)

Senate 175: Resolve providing for the examination of claims for State pensions.

House 394: Resolve in favor of James J. Clement of Montville.

House 395: Resolve in favor of Levite V. Thibodeau.

House 396: Resolve in favor of Peter Harmon of Thorndike.

House 397: 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 visit to Boys' School.

House 400: Resolve in favor of W. A. Ricker, Secretary of the Committee on Education.

House 402: Resolve in favor of the State School for Boys.

House 427: Resolve in favor of reimbursing the town of Norridgewock for money paid out in support of Eugene P. Hopkins and family.

House 428: Resolve appropriating mon-

ey to reimburse the City of Old Town for the support of certain State paupers.

House 429: Resolve appropriating money to pay the town of Merrill interest upon its school fund.

House 430: Resolve in favor of the town of Shirley for support of certain State paupers.

House 431: Resolve in favor of Samuel D. Erskine, Moses Erskine, Wilber B. Tibbetts, Elmer H. Boynton and Delbert L. Fowles.

House 432: Resolve in favor of the town of Perry for expenses upon the death of a State pauper.

House 433: Resolve in favor of Lizzie Bean for State pension.

House 432: Resolve appropriating money for the protection of trees and shrubs from the ravages of dangerous insects and diseases.

#### Passed to Be Enacted

An Act to incorporate the Mopang Dam and Improvement Company.

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

An Act to enlarge the purposes and powers of the Cleveland Concrete Building Block Company.

An Act to amend that part of Section five of Chapter 80 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 11 of the Public Laws of 1911, relating to the regular sessions of the County Commissioners in Oxford County.

An Act to repeal Chapter 326 of the Private and Special Laws of 1905, entitled "An Act to regulate the use of the roads in the town of Castine."

An Act additional to Chapter 32 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter 206 of the Public Laws of 1913, relating to fishing in Fresh Pond, in the town of North Haven, in the county of Knox.

An Act additional to Chapter 48 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the borrowing of money and pledging of securities as collateral therefor by savings banks and institutions for savings.

An Act additional to Chapter 32 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 206 of the Public Laws of

1913, relating to fishing in North Branch Brook and its tributaries, in the county of Cumberland.

An Act additional to Chapter 32 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 206 of the Public Laws of 1913, relating to the protection of muskrats in the town of Fryeburg, in the county of Oxford, and in the town of Bridgton, in the county of Cumberland.

An Act additional to Chapter 32 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 206 of the Public Laws of 1913, relating to fishing in Ward's Brook and in Wards Pond, in the town of Fryeburg in Oxford County.

An Act to amend Section 49 of Chapter 23 of the Revised Statutes, relative to liability for damages done by log haulers.

An Act to amend Section 17 of Chapter 352 of the Private and Special Laws of 1905, as amended by Chapter 94 of the Private and Special Laws of 1911, relating to an increase in the salary of the judge of the Caribou Municipal Court.

An Act to fix the salary of the judge of the Belfast Municipal Court.

An Act to amend Section 15 of Chapter 393 of the Private and Special Laws of 1909, as amended by Chapter 220 of the Private and Special Laws of 1913, relative to an increase in the salary of the judge of the Millinocket Municipal Court.

An Act fixing the penalty for trespass upon grounds of agricultural societies.

An Act to amend Section two of Chapter 32 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 206 of the Public Laws of 1913, relating to fishing in Burntland Brook, a tributary to Presque Isle Stream, and in the east branch of said Presque Isle Stream, in the county of Aroostook.

An Act to amend Section one of Chapter 444 of the Private and Special Laws of 1907, relating to an increase in the amount of allowance for clerk hire for the Municipal Court in the city of Lewiston.

An Act for the better protection of

shell fish within the town of Eliot, in the county of York.

An Act to amend Section 26 of Chapter 48 of the Revised Statutes, relative to the deposit by savings banks and institutions for savings of collateral for loans made without the State.

An Act to amend Chapter 219 of the Public Laws of 1913, relating to the salary of the stenographer for the Superior Court for Kennebec County.

An Act to amend Section nine of Chapter 32 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 206 of the Public Laws of 1913, relating to taking of suckers, eels, hornpouts and yellow perch with eel pots, traps, spears or nets.

An Act in relation to the improvement of highways with a road machine or similar device after the tenth day of August in any year.

#### Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Connellan of Portland, the vote was reconsidered whereby Senate Document No. 151, bill, An Act to equalize the salaries of the judges of probate, was yesterday tabled and specially assigned for consideration on Thursday, March 11th, and on further motion by Mr. Connellan the bill received its third reading and was passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Plummer of Lisbon, House Document No. 298, Resolve appropriating money for the Board of Dental Examiners, to purchase equipment and also to prosecute violators of the provisions of Chapter 53 of the Public Laws of 1912, was taken from the table.

The pending question being the second reading of the resolve.

On further motion by Mr. Plummer, the resolve received its second reading and was passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Brown of Auburn, House Document, No. 311, bill, An Act to provide for the convenience

of travelers upon electric roads, was taken from the table.

The pending question being on the vote to recommit.

Mr. Brown offered House Amendment A, to amend Section one of said bill by adding after the word "destination," the following: "provided that this section shall not apply to open cars, and also provided that the toilet shall be kept locked while going through cities and villages."

The amendment was adopted.

On further motion by Mr. Brown the bill and the amendment were laid upon the table for the printing of the amendment.

On motion by Mr. Smith of Hampden, Senate Document No. 134, bill, An Act to amend Section one of Chapter 35 of the Public Laws of 1911, relative to the better protection of forests along railroads from fire, was taken from the table.

On further motion by Mr. Smith the bill received its second reading and was assigned for tomorrow morning for its third reading.

The SPEAKER: The Chair lays before the House Order requesting the Senate to return House Document No. 108, Resolve in favor of the plantation of Wallagrass, tabled by the gentleman from Houlton, Mr. Pierce, and specially assigned for consideration today.

Mr. Pierce of Houlton: Mr. Speaker, by agreement with the gentleman from Brewer, Mr. Higgins, I move that the order be again tabled and specially assigned for consideration on Tuesday of next week.

The motion was agreed to.

The SPEAKER: The Chair lays before the House Order requesting the Senate to return House Document No. 110, Resolve in favor of the plantation of New Canada, tabled by the gentleman from Calais, Mr. St. Clair, and specially assigned for consideration today.

On motion by Mr. St. Clair of Calais, the order was again tabled and

specially assigned for consideration on Tuesday of next week.

The SPEAKER: The Chair lays before the House Document No. 323, bill, An Act to fix the standard weight of certain commodities not included in Section 39 of Chapter 39 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 124 of the Public Laws of 1913, and to correct the standard weight of a bushel of dried apples and to change the standard weight of a barrel of potatoes, tabled by the gentleman from Houlton, Mr. Pierce, and specially assigned for consideration to-day.

Mr. Pierce of Houlton offered House Amendment A, to amend by changing the words "one hundred and sixty-six" in line twenty to "one hundred and sixty-five."

Mr. PIERCE: Mr. Speaker, in relation to that amendment I wish to say this: The bill changes the standard weight of a barrel of potatoes from 165 pounds, the way it always has been, to 166 pounds, and it also makes another change in regard to the weight of a bushel of dried apples. One hundred and sixty-five pounds has been everywhere the standard weight of a barrel of potatoes; it is so in Maine and it is so in Massachusetts, and I personally know of no reason why it should be changed. I talked recently with Mr. Pennell, the deputy sealer of weights and measures, who is familiar with these matters, and he told me that he knew of no good reason why it should be changed; and it is for that reason that I offer this amendment to bring this matter back to its original form, as far as the weight of a barrel of potatoes is concerned.

Mr. ST. CLAIR of Calais: Mr. Speaker, I am quite strongly of the opinion that there is an error in connection with this figure, and I do not think anybody had any talk in regard to that matter.

Mr. PIERCE: Mr. Speaker, I think it is an error, and I think it should be changed; it may possibly have been a printer's error.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will suggest if this is a clerical error it

may be corrected on suggestion, without the formality of an amendment. If it is an error, without objection this error will be corrected and the Chair will instruct the clerk to correct the error.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed.

The SPEAKER: The Chair lays before the House the following order: Ordered, That no bill or resolve carrying an appropriation of money shall be finally passed prior to the sixteenth day of March next, tabled by the gentleman from Portland, Mr. Colcord, and specially assigned for consideration today.

On motion by Mr. Colcord of Portland, the order was again tabled and assigned for consideration tomorrow.

The SPEAKER: The Chair lays before the House House Document No. 328, bill, An Act relative to the hours of employment of women and minors, tabled by the gentleman from Dexter, Mr. Fay, and specially assigned for consideration today. The pending question is the acceptance of the report of the committee, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft.

Mr. Fay of Dexter moved that the report of the committee be accepted.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. Fay then offered House Amendment A, as follows:

"Strike out all of said bill after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"Section one. No male minor under sixteen years of age and no female shall be employed in any workshop, factory, manufacturing or mechanical establishment more than nine and one-half hours in any one day, except when it is necessary to make repairs to prevent interruption of the ordinary running of the machinery, or when a different apportionment of the hours of labor is made for the purpose of making a shorter day's work for one day in the week, and in no case shall the hours of labor of any such minor or female exceed 56 hours in a week; and no male minor over 16 years of age shall be so employed more than nine and one-half hours a day during minority, or more than 56

hours per week, unless he voluntarily contracts to do so with the consent of his parents, or one of them, if any, or guardian, and in such case he shall receive extra compensation for his services; provided, however, that any female of 18 years of age or over, may lawfully contract for such labor for any number of hours in excess of nine and one-half hours a day, but not exceeding six hours in any one week, or 60 hours in any one year, receiving additional compensation therefor, but during her minority the consent of her parents, or one of them, or guardian, shall be first obtained.

'Section two. Section 48 of Chapter 46 of the Revised Statutes is hereby repealed.'

Mr. DESCOTEAUX of Biddeford: Mr. Speaker, this bill came into the House on the sixteenth of January, and the committee assigned a hearing on the matter for the fourth of February. Someone then came to the committee and wanted to have the hearing postponed until a week later. The committee did so gladly, and we had a hearing on the eleventh. At that time both sides were represented and the hearing lasted from two o'clock in the afternoon until half past six at night. After the committee adjourned their hearing the matter was taken up by the committee who studied over the situation in order to find out what was the best thing to do. We met on the seventeenth and went over the bill carefully and deliberately, section by section, and reported unanimously in a new draft. After having made a unanimous report, I do not believe that one of the committee would be willing to accept this amendment, and I, for one, would certainly object to the amendment, and I will call for a yeay and nay vote on the adoption of the same.

Mr. WESCOTT of Bluehill: Mr. Speaker, I believe that what all the people of the State want, as set forth in the platforms of the different political parties, is a fifty four hour bill and not a fifty six hour bill, and I am surprised that any distinguished member of this legislature should wish

to go on record as favoring a proposition to work the women and boys of our State more than nine hours a day, or fifty four hours in a week; and I hope that this amendment will not prevail.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. BONNEY of Bowdoinham: Mr. Speaker, I wish to add amendment B to House Document No. 328 under consideration, and move that it be tabled for printing together with the other amendments.

Mr. Bonney then offered the following amendment:

Amend House Document 328 by striking out all of said Section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following:

"Section 1. No male minor under sixteen years of age and no female shall be employed in any workshop, factory, manufacturing or mechanical establishment more than nine and one-half hours in any one day, except when by reason of repairs necessary to prevent interruption of the ordinary running of the machinery, longer hours may be necessary to complete any work, material or product to be completed or delivered at a time certain under contract; or when a different apportionment of the hours of labor is made for the purpose of making a shorter day's work for one day of the week and in no case, except in the case of such repairs, shall the hours of labor exceed fifty-six in a week."

Mr. CONNELLAN of Portland: Mr. Speaker, I offer Amendment C to House Document 328, and move that it takes the same course as the previous amendments, and be assigned for consideration at the same time.

Mr. Connellan then offered the following amendment:

"Amend said House Document 328 by striking out Section 3.

"Also by amending Section 4 of said House Document No. 328 by striking out the words in the first, second and third lines thereof, "except in cases of emergency or extraordinary public requirement as provided in section three of this act."

"Also by amending Section 5 of said

House Document No. 328 by striking out the words "and three" in the fourth line thereof; also in the twenty-fourth and twenty-sixth lines thereof.

"Also by striking out the twenty-eighth and twenty-ninth lines of said Section 5 the words "except in cases of emergency or extraordinary public requirement as provided in section 3 of this act."

"Also by amending Section 6 of said House Document No. 328 by striking out the words " and three" in the fourth line thereof.

"Also by renumbering sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10, to follow consecutively after Section 2."

Mr. Connellan then moved that the bill be tabled for the printing of the amendments.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. Thombs of Lincoln moved that the bill and the three amendments be specially assigned for consideration on Wednesday, March 10th.

The motion was agreed to.

The SPEAKER: The Chair lays before the House the majority and minority reports of the committee on legal affairs on Resolves proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Maine providing for the election on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November, biennially, of Governors, Senators, Representatives, and other officers now required to be elected on the second Monday of September, biennially. The pending question is the acceptance of either report.

Mr. PIERCE of Houlton: Mr. Speaker, in the absence of the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Connors, I would ask that

this matter be tabled again and re-assigned for tomorrow.

The motion was agreed to.

The SPEAKER: The Chair lays before the House House Document No. 220. Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell certain lands in Plantation No. 33, tabled by the gentleman from Lisbon, Mr. Plummer, and specially assigned for consideration today.

Mr. PLUMMER of Lisbon: Mr. Speaker, at the request of the chairman and members of the committee before whom this resolve was heard, I ask that it be reassigned for consideration tomorrow.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. Fossett of Portland presented out of order the following order:

Ordered, That 500 copies of the Act to provide for the sale of intoxicating liquors for medicinal and mechanical purposes and for the arts, in new draft, be printed.

The order received a passage.

The SPEAKER: The Chair wishes to call the attention of the House to a fact that there are now on the calendar a great many matters of unfinished business. I sincerely hope that the members of the House will come here tomorrow morning with a determination to clean up as much of this unfinished business as possible. It is now getting along in the session, and it is necessary that we keep our calendar clear and push the business along as rapidly as possible. It would be well, when you can, to take the matters up on the day of their assignment, and avoid reassigning as much as possible.

On motion by Mr. Ward of Augusta,

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at nine o'clock.