

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## HOUSE

Thursday, January 11, 1923.

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. McWhorter of Augusta.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

The following bills, resolves and petitions were received and, upon recommendation of the committee on reference of bills, were referred to the following committees:

### Appropriation and Financial Affairs

Mr. Houghton of Fort Fairfield: Resolve appropriating money for the University of Maine for Fire Escapes.

### Legal Affairs

Mr. Moody of York: Petition of H. L. Shattuck and 17 others asking for amendment of York Beach Village Corporation charter.

Mr. Littlefield of Kennebunk: An Act to establish the Kennebunk Municipal Court.

### Pensions

Mr. Boulter of Kittery: Resolve increasing the State Pension of Charles D. Preble of Kittery.

### Salaries and Fees

Mr. Ludgate of Patten: An Act to amend Section 11 of Chapter 9 of Public Laws of 1919, relating to the salary of the stenographer of Penobscot County Superior Court.

### ORDERS OF THE DAY

On motion by Mr. Rounds of Portland, it was voted to take from the table order tabled by him yesterday, relative to salaries paid for clerks, stenographers, and messengers to the several committees of the Legislature, to be fixed by the Governor and Council.

Mr. ROUNDS of Portland: Mr Speaker, I wish to move the indefinite postponement of that order; and I want to say here to you gentlemen that when I came to this Legislature first we had considerable power, which has since been taken away from us, small items at a time. You and I have seen the Highway Department taken away from us, from where we spent a few thousand dollars up to where the past year they

have spent six million; and we as representing the people of the State of Maine have no rights whatever to say aye, yes or no about it, and it seems to me that the taking away of the powers of this Legislature should be stopped, or any other Legislature. Therefore, I want to move the indefinite postponement of this order.

A viva voce vote being taken, the order was unanimously indefinitely postponed.

On motion by Mr. Barwise of Bangor, it was voted to take from the table the petition of Roy L. Fernald, contesting seat of Joseph A. Pendleton in the House of Representatives; and on further motion by the same gentleman that petition was referred to the committee on Elections.

On motion by Mr. Phillips of Orrington, it was voted to take from the table the order tabled by that gentleman yesterday that all committees are directed to report to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs all appropriations of money recommended by them and any acts or resolves requiring an appropriation of money; and on further motion by the same gentlemen the order was passed in concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Chair at this time announces the committee created under the order, relating to the portrait of the late Governor Frederic Parkhurst as follows: Messrs. Rounds of Portland, Phillips of Orrington and Gardiner of Gardiner.

The SPEAKER: The Chair also announces at this time the committee created under the Maine Publicity Committee order as follows: In the Senate, Senators Emery of Washington, Wadsworth of Kennebec and Brewster of Cumberland. In the House, Representatives Douglas of Lamoine, Plummer of Bridgton, Pinkham of Fort Kent, Lord of Wells, Crafts of Greenville, Winn of Lisbon, and Edwards of Bethel.

The SPEAKER: The Chair at this time presents out of order the bonds of the State Treasurer, provided under the Constitution. In the Senate referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial affairs.

In the House so referred in concurrence.

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From the Senate: Ordered, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet, Tuesday, January 16, at 4.30 o'clock in the afternoon.

In the House passed in concurrence.

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On motion by Mr. Knight of Turner.

Adjourned until 4.30 P. M. Tuesday, January 16.