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OF THE
STATE OF MAINE.

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The president directed the secretary to convey the message. Subsequently a message was received from the House by Mr. Cotton, its clerk, concurring in the foregoing proposition.

The Senate then proceeded to the Representatives' hall, where a convention was formed.

On the return of the Senate to their chamber Mr. Reynolds of Cumberland, presented the following

Order, That 800 copies of the Governor's message be printed for the use of the Senate, which was passed.

On motion by Mr. Reynolds of Kennebec,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the House of Representatives, proposing a convention of the two branches of the Legislature forthwith in the hall of the House for the purpose of electing a secretary of State, attorney general, State treasurer, two State assessors, public printer, public binder and seven executive councillors.

The president directed the secretary to convey the message.

Subsequently a message was received from the House by Mr. Cotton, its clerk, concurring in the foregoing proposition and the Senate then proceeded to the Representatives' hall, where a convention was formed.

On the return of the Senate to their chamber Mr. Stearns of Aroostook, presented the following

Order, The House concurring, that the business of the last session of the Legislature referred to this be taken from the files and referred to the proper committees, which was passed.

On motion by Mr. Savage of Androscoggin, it was

Ordered, That the secretary of the Senate make up the pay of Harlow R. Smith, the retiring assistant secretary, in the sum of \$150, for services rendered preparatory to and during the organization of the present Legislature and services rendered during the present session.

On motion by Mr. Maxwell of Androscoggin,

Adjourned.

HOUSE.

Thursday, Jan. 7.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Cummings of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate passed in concurrence.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Guernsey of Dover, Ordered, That every bill or resolve reported in the House of Representatives by a committee or laid upon the table by leave, shall be printed and distributed in the House before having its first reading. The printed copies shall show by what committee the bill or resolve was reported or by what member laid upon the table.

By Mr. Daggett of Smyrna,

Ordered, That the secretary of State be directed to furnish each member and officer of the House with postage stamps to the amount of \$10.

By Mr. Knowlton of Portland,

Ordered, That the clerk of the House be authorized to procure the services of a type writer during the present session of the Legislature.

By Mr. Macomber of Augusta,

Ordered, That the clerk of the House be instructed to invite the clergymen of Augusta, Hallowell and Gardiner to officiate at the opening services of the House during the present session.

Mr. Philbrook of Waterville offered the following resolution:

Voicing the sentiment of the people and press of Maine, the House of Representatives desires to place on record its recognition of the distinguished services rendered by the retiring Governor. Therefore,

Resolved, that we extend to Hon. Henry B. Cleaves, who has guided the ship of State for four years, our recognition of his honorable services, faithful to every trust, diligent in the performance of all public duties, devoted to the interests of the whole State, he has met every emergency and given to the people of Maine an upright, honest and dignified administration. He has been the Governor of all. The doors of the Executive chamber have always been open to every citizen of the State, and the humblest has never been turned away without a patient and respectful hearing. He retires from the high office he

has so ably and faithfully filled with the confidence, respect and affection of the whole people.

Mr. Noble of Lewiston—It gives me great pleasure to second the passage of the resolution just read. I can add nothing to the high encomium pronounced by the language of the resolution. The administration of the retiring Governor is safe and secure from all assaults. The archives of the State are in the hearts of the people, in the prosperity and contentment everywhere. And as he leaves his high office he carries with him the love, confidence and the trust of the entire people of this State, the highest tribute which it is the good fortune of any citizen of this State to obtain. It gives me pleasure to second the passage of this resolution.

Mr. Fogler of Rockland—I desire to add a brief tribute showing my appreciation of the distinguished gentleman who for four years past has so ably, so faithfully and so impartially administered the affairs of the State. I shall attempt to add nothing to the language of the resolution which very fully expresses my own opinion of the man, my admiration of his character and of his ability. In behalf of my own city and my own county and my section of the State, I most heartily and earnestly and sincerely second the resolution offered by the gentleman from Waterville.

The resolution received a unanimous passage by a rising vote.

The Speaker joined to the Senate committee to wait upon the Hon. Llewellyn Powers and inform him of his election as Governor, Messrs. Palmer of Bangor, Forest of Lewiston, Macomber of Augusta, Thompson of Standish and Murchie of Calais.

Mr. Palmer subsequently reported that the committee had discharged the duty assigned it.

A communication was received from the Senate through its secretary, proposing a joint convention of the two branches of the Legislature forthwith in the hall of the House of Representatives for the purpose of administering to Hon. Llewellyn Powers, Governor-elect, the oaths required by the constitution to enable him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

On motion of Mr. Floyd of Brewer,

the clerk conveyed a message to the Senate signifying the concurrence of the House in the proposition for a convention.

Thereupon the Senate came in and a convention was formed.

In Convention

On motion of Mr. Clason, Messrs. Clason of Kennebec and Ferguson of Sagadahoc on the part of the Senate, and Messrs. Floyd, Philbrook, Moore, Gilman and Starbird on the part of the House were appointed a committee to wait upon the Hon. Llewellyn Powers, Governor-elect, and inform him that the two branches of the Legislature were in convention assembled in Representatives' hall, ready to administer to him the oath required by the constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties and receive from him such communication as he might be pleased to make.

Mr. Clason subsequently reported that the committee had discharged the duty assigned it and the Governor-elect was pleased to say that he was ready to take the necessary oaths of office and would forthwith attend upon the convention.

Thereupon the Governor-elect came in attended by the Council and heads of departments, and took and subscribed the oaths necessary to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The Governor then communicated with the convention by address.

(The address in full will be found elsewhere.)

The Governor and suite then retired.

The purpose for which the convention was called having been accomplished it was dissolved and the Senate retired.

In House.

A message was received from the Senate proposing a joint convention of the two branches of the Legislature for the purpose of electing a secretary of State, attorney general, State treasurer, two State assessors, public printer, public binder and seven Councillors.

On motion of Mr. Palmer of Bangor the House concurred in the proposition of the Senate.

Thereupon the Senate came in and a convention was formed.

In Convention.

On motion of Mr. Parsons, Messrs. Parsons and Hinckley on the part of the Senate, and Messrs. Hutchinson, Smith of Masardis, Maxcy, Rounds and Austin on the part of the House, were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for secretary of State.

Having attended to the duty assigned it Mr. Parsons, from the committee, reported:

Whole number of votes,	134
Necessary for a choice,	68
Byron Boyd had	134

The report was accepted, and Hon. Byron Boyd was declared duly elected secretary of State for the current political years of 1897 and 1898.

On motion of Mr. Weeks, Messrs. Weeks of Penobscot and Pike of York on the part of the Senate, and Messrs. Jones, Day, Moore, Ayer and Edmonds on the part of the House, were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for State treasurer.

Having attended to the duty assigned it, Mr. Weeks, from the committee, reported:

Whole number of votes,	120
Necessary for a choice,	61
F. M. Simpson had	120

The report was accepted and F. M. Simpson was declared duly elected State treasurer for the current political year of 1897 and 1898.

On motion of Mr. Reynolds, Messrs. Reynolds and Stearns on the part of the Senate, and Rodick, Jewell, Burton, Smith of Hampton, and Dudley on the part of the House, were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for attorney general.

Having attended to the duty assigned it, Mr. Reynolds, from the committee, reported:

Whole number of votes,	120
Necessary for a choice,	61
William T. Haines had	120

The report was accepted and Hon. William T. Haines was declared duly elected attorney general for the current political years of 1897 and 1898.

On motion of Mr. Wyman, Wyman and Salley on the part of the Senate, and Messrs. Young, Sawyer, Chatto, Gagnon and Fernald on the part of the House, were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for State assessors.

Having attended to the duty assigned it, Mr. Wyman from the committee, reported:

Whole number of votes,	114
Necessary for a choice,	58
Otis Hayford had	114
William C. Marshall had	114

The report was accepted and Hon. Otis Hayford and Hon. William C. Marshall were declared duly elected State assessors.

On motion of Mr. Sharp, Messrs. Sharp and Chamberlain on the part of the Senate, and Messrs. Cox, Tolman, Dickey, Kneeland and Gardiner on the part of the House, were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for public printer.

Having attended to the duty assigned it, Mr. Sharp, from the committee, reported:

Whole number of votes,	105
Necessary for a choice,	53
Clarence B. Burleigh had	105

The report was accepted, and Clarence B. Burleigh was declared duly elected public printer for the current political years of 1897 and 1898.

On motion of Mr. Merrill, Messrs. Merrill and Hurd on the part of the Senate, and Messrs. Winslow, Hancock, Lincoln, Shepard and Andrews, were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for public binder.

Having attended to the duty assigned it, Mr. Merrill, from the committee, reported:

Whole number of votes,	104
Necessary for a choice,	53
H. E. Smith had	104

The report was accepted, and H. E. Smith was declared duly elected public binder for the current political years of 1897 and 1898.

On motion of Mr. McCullough, Messrs. McCullough and Poor on the part of the Senate, and Messrs. Donnell, Goodrich, Fuller and Pope on the part of the House, were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for Executive Councillors.

Having attended to the duty assigned it, Mr. McCullough, from the committee, reported:

Whole number of votes,	104
Necessary for a choice,	54
Edward S. Marshall had	107
E. Dudley Freeman had	107

R. J. Boothby had	107
Fritz H. Twitchell had	107
Elmer P. Spofford had	107
Henry W. Mayo had	107
V. L. Coffin had	107

The report was accepted, and Hon-
orables Edward S. Marshall, E. Dud-
ley Freeman, R. C. Boothby, Fritz H.
Twitchell, Elmer P. Spofford, Henry
W. Mayo and V. L. Coffin were de-
clared duly elected Executive Council-
lors for the current political years of
1897 and 1898.

On motion of Mr. Engel of Penobscot,
the secretary of the convention was
directed to inform the officers of their
election.

The secretary subsequently reported
that he had discharged the duty as-
signed him, and had received the ac-
ceptances, in writing, of all the gen-
tlemen elected.

On motion of Mr. Savage of Andros-
coggin, the rules were suspended and a
message sent to the Councilors-elect,
informing them that the two branches
of the Legislature were ready to ad-
minister to them the oaths required by
the constitution to qualify them to en-
ter upon the discharge of their official
duties.

Thereupon the Councilors-elect came
in and the necessary oaths of office
were administered to them. The Coun-
cillors then retired.

On motion of Mr. Walls of Knox, a
message was sent to the Governor, in-
forming him of the election of the
State officers.

The secretary was directed to convey
the message, and subsequently reported
that he had performed that duty.

The purposes for which the conven-
tion was called having been accom-
plished, it was dissolved and the Sen-
ate retired.

In House.

The Speaker announced the monitors
of the House as follows:

First division—Greenleaf of South-
port.

Second division—Talbot of Lewiston.

Third division—Newcomb of East-
port.

Fourth division—Golder of Belgrade.

Fifth division—Burns of Westbrook.

Sixth division—Moore of Deering.

Seventh division—Fogler of Rock-
land.

Eighth division—Walton of Skowhe-
gan.

On motion of Mr. Winslow of Port-
land, that gentleman was appointed to
conduct Messrs. Pattangall of Macnias
and Stevens of Cutler to the Governor
for qualification.

(Paper from the Senate.)

Ordered, That, the House concurring,
the business of the last session of the
Legislature referred to this, be taken
from the files and referred to the proper
committees.

On motion of Mr. Philbrook of Water-
ville, pending the vote of the Houses in
concurrence, the order was laid on the
table.

On motion of Mr. Newcomb of East-
port, adjourned.