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OF THE
STATE OF MAINE.

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HOUSE.

Tuesday, February 16, 1897.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. Peckham of Hallo-well.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

The resolve for purchase of the Maine State Year Book was in the Senate referred in non-concurrence to the committee on Maine State Year Book. The House receded from its action whereby it passed this resolve to be engrossed under a suspension of the rules, and concurred with the Senate in its reference.

The following Senate bills were read and assigned:

An act to amend section 1 of chapter 75 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 157 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to title by descent.

An act to incorporate the Shin Pond Dam and Improvement Company.

Resolve for an appropriation for the use of the sea and shore fisheries commission.

On motion of Mr. Goodrich of Maxfield, this resolve was laid on the table pending its second reading, and Tuesday of next week was assigned for its consideration.

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

LEGAL AFFAIRS.

By Mr. Pierce of Frankfort—Remonstrance of George G. Rich and 309 others, against bill authorizing the town of Winterport to purchase franchises and property of Winterport Water Company.

By Mr. Kinsport of Cornville—Bill an act to regulate the liabilities of subscribers to newspapers, periodicals and magazines.

By Mr. Jones of Lincoln—Bill an act relating to the sale of corporeal personal property.

By Mr. King of Caribou, for Mr. Houghton of Ft. Fairfield—Bill an act to incorporate the Ashland Water Company.

By Mr. Talbot of Lewiston—Bill an act to abolish imprisonment for debt.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

By Mr. Stetson of Bangor—Petition of A. H. Parker and 17 others with reference to the Eastern Maine General Hospital.

EDUCATION.

By Mr. York of Nobleboro—Petition of F. H. Albee and 25 others of Alna, for equalization of school tax.

By Mr. Floyd of Brewer—Petition of G. B. Gilbert and 26 others of Brewer for same.

By Mr. Garvin of Acton—Petition of W. S. Littlefield and 17 others for same.

By Mr. Mitchell of Newfield—Petition of H. L. Crowley and 51 others of Jonesport for same.

By Mr. Coffin of Thorndike—Petition of R. E. Jackson and 26 others for same.

By Mr. Mitchell of Newfield—Petition of Mark Bond and 37 others for same.

By Mr. Bither of Linneus—Petition of

Charles H. Chase and 37 others of Bradford for same.

RAILROADS, TELEGRAPHS AND EXPRESSSES.

By Mr. Palmer of Bangor—Remonstrance of George Varney and 170 others in relation to street railroads in streets of Bangor.

By Mr. Stetson of Bangor—Remonstrance of C. J. H. Ropes and others of Bangor, against street railways using the streets of Bangor without the consent of the city government.

By Mr. Rowell of Kittery—Bill an act additional to the charter of the Portsmouth, Kittery and York Street Railway.

AGRICULTURE.

By Mr. Shaw of Saco—Bill an act to amend an act entitled an act to extirpate contagious diseases among cattle.

INLAND FISHERIES AND GAME.

By Mr. Holbrook of Brunswick—Bill an act to prevent the trapping of foxes.

By Mr. Stetson of Bangor—Bill an act to provide funds to protect inland game.

On motion of Mr. Stetson this bill was laid on the table to be printed pending reference to the committee on inland fisheries and game.

TOWNS.

By Mr. Moore of Deering—Petition of Howard Winslow and others, in favor of annexing territory of Deering to Portland.

STATE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND THE MECHANIC ARTS.

By Mr. Stetson of Bangor—Resolve in favor of the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

By Mr. Durgin of Orono—Bill an act to amend an act entitled an act to establish the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

By Mr. Fernald of Levant—Bill an act to determine the privileges of graduates of the State College.

ORDERS.

On motion of Mr. Pearl of Bangor, Ordered, that the committee on ways and means be and they are hereby instructed to ascertain and report to the House the rate necessary for the assessment of the State tax for the years 1897 and 1898.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Palmer of Bangor, for the committee on Eastern Maine Insane hospital, on resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine Insane hospital, reported an accompanying statement of facts to accompany said resolve; statement printed to accompany the resolve.

PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.

An act to repeal so much of chapter 461 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885, entitled an act granting additional

powers to the inhabitants of school district No. 5 in the town of Kennebunk and acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof, as relates to the maintenance of schools and schoolhouses.

An act in addition to acts to incorporate the Pepperell Manufacturing Co.

An act in addition to acts to incorporate the Laconia Co.

An act to authorize the Auburn & Turner Railroad Co. to make a loan.

An act to extend the powers of the International North and South American Transportation and Express Co.

An act to amend section 5 of chapter 180, of the Private and Special Laws of 1869, relating to the organization of parishes of the Protestant Episcopal church.

An act to authorize the Dexter & Newport Railroad Co. to issue bonds and to make a mortgage securing the same, and to authorize the Maine Central Railroad Co. to guarantee the payment of said bonds.

An act to amend section 7, of chapter 136, of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1, of chapter 308, of the Public Laws of 1885, relating to fines and forfeitures collected by trial justices and judges of municipal and police courts.

An act relating to the charter of the Godfrey Falls Dam Company.

An act to amend section 9 of chapter 315 of the Public Laws of 1893 relating to the salary of the assistant librarian of the Maine State library.

An act to amend chapter 274 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, entitled an act to fix the salary of the recorder of the municipal court of the city of Portland.

An act relating to the salary of the county commissioners of Cumberland county.

An act to incorporate the Vinalhaven Water Company.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

On motion of Mr. Hutchins of Penobscot, the report of the committee on ways and bridges, reporting reference to the judiciary committee of bill an act providing for the improvement of highways, was taken from the table.

The report was then accepted and the bill was referred to the judiciary committee.

On motion of Mr. Goodrich of Maxfield, resolve relating to the enforcement of the fish and game laws was taken from the table.

Mr. Goodrich offered amendment "A," to strike out the word "forty" in the first line and insert the word "twenty;" also to strike out the word "forty" in the fifth line and insert the word "twenty."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Philbrook of Waterville, moved that the bill with its amendment as adopted be re-committed to the committee on inland fisheries and game.

Mr. Goodrich called for the yeas and nays.

The question being on the recommittal of the resolve to the committee on inland fisheries and game, the yeas and nays were ordered and the motion was lost by a vote of 56 for to 67 against.

Yeas—Blanchard, Boynton, Britton, Brown, Burnham, Burns, Burrill, Burton, Chatto, Coffin, (Shapleigh,) Cox, Cram, Currier, Davis, Dudley, Durgin, Gardner, Gilman, Greenleaf, Holmes, Jewell, Jones, King, Knowlton, (Newburg,) Knowlton, (Portland,) Littlefield, (Vinalhaven,) Luce, Macomber, Mason, Merrill, (Portland,) Moore, (Deering,) Murchie, Newcomb, Palmer, Patten, Pearl, Peirce, Philbrook, Plummer, Robinson, Rodick, Rowell, (East Livermore,) Sanborn, Saunders, Simpson, Smith, (Masardis,) Smith, (Presque Isle,) Spear, Staples, Stetson, Stevens, Talbot, Tolman, Walton, Whelden.—Yeas, 56.

Nays—Ames, Austin, Ayer, Bither, Briggs, Coffin, (Thorndike,) Conant, Cushman, Daggett, Day, Dickey, Fernald, (Levant,) Fernald, (Poland,) Floyd, Fogg, Fogler, Fuller, Furbush, Gagnon, Garvin, Goodrich, Gowell, Hamilton, (Biddeford,) Hamilton, (Mattawamkeag,) Hathaway, Hathorn, Hill, Holbrook, Hurd, Hussey, Hutchins, Hutchinson, Kaler, Kinsman, Kneeland, Lane, Levensaler, Lincoln, Littlefield, (Kennebunk,) Longley, Maxcy, Maxwell, McIntire, Merrill, (Bluehill,) Mitchell, Moore, (Moscow,) Murphy, Noble, Pope, Prince, Reed, Rounds, Rowell, (Kittery,) Searis, Shaw, (Cumberland,) Shaw, (Saco,) Shepard, Smith, (Hampten,) Starbird, Tarbell, Thurston, Violette, Weeks, Wheeler, Whiting, Williams, Winslow, York.—Nays, 67.

Absent—Andrews, Burse, Chandler, Cook, Donnell, Edmunds, Forest, Golder, Goodwin, Guernsey, Hancock, Houghton, Larrabee, (Sebago,) Littlefield, (Belfast,) Martin, Murray, O'Neil, Pattangall, Penley, Pratt, Purinton, Sawyer, Sewall, Thompson, Thurlow, Wilson, Young.—Absent, 27.

The question being on the second reading of the resolve,

Mr. Davis of Steuben, offered amendment "B" to strike out the word "twenty" wherever it occurs and insert in place thereof the word "thirty."

Mr. Goodrich called for the yeas and nays.

The question being on the adoption of amendment "B" to the bill as amended, the yeas and nays were ordered and the amendment was lost by a vote of 30 for to 96 against.

Yeas—Boynton, Britton, Currier, Cushman, Davis, Durgin, Gilman, Golder, Gowell, Hamilton of Mattawamkeag, Holmes, King, Mason, Maxcy, Merrill of Portland, Murchie, Palmer, Patten, Philbrook, Plummer, Robinson, Rodick, Rounds, Rowell of Kittery, Sanborn, Simpson, Smith of Masardis, Smith of Presque Isle, Spear, Staples.—30.

Nay—Ames, Andrews, Austin, Ayer, Bither, Blanchard, Briggs, Brown, Burnham, Burrill, Burton, Chatto, Coffin of Shapleigh, Coffin of Thorndike, Conant, Cox, Cram, Daggett, Day, Dickey, Dudley, Fernald of Levant, Fernald of Poland, Floyd, Fogg, Fogler, Fuller, Furbush, Gagnon, Gardner, Garvin, Goodrich, Greenleaf, Hamilton of Biddeford, Hathaway, Hathorn, Hill, Holbrook, Hurd, Hussey, Hutchins, Hutchinson,

Jewell, Jones, Kaler, Kinsman, Kneeland, Knowlton of Newburg, Knowlton of Portland, Lane, Levensaler, Lincoln, Littlefield of Kennebunk, Littlefield of Vinalhaven, Longley, Luce, Macomber, Maxwell, McIntire, Merrill of Bluehill, Mitchell, Moore of Dearing, Moore of Moscow, Murphy, Newcomb, Noble, Pattangall, Pearl, Peirce, Pope, Prince, Reed, Rowell of East Livermore, Saunders, Searls, Shaw of Cumberland, Shaw of Saco, Shepard, Smith of Hampden, Starbird, Stetson, Stevens, Talbot, Tarbell, Thurston, Tolman, Violette, Walton, Weeks, Wheeler, Whelden, Whiting, Williams, Wilson, Winslow, York.—96.

Absent—Burns, Burse, Chandler, Cook, Donnell, Edmunds, Forest, Goodwin, Guernsey, Hancock, Houghton, Larrabee of Sebago, Littlefield of Belfast, Martin, Murray, O'Neil, Penley, Pratt, Purinton, Sawyer, Sewall, Thompson, Thurlow, Young.—24.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton of Biddeford, the bill as amended was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Ayer of Vassalboro, resolve in aid of the Farmington Normal school was taken from the table.

Mr. Ayer of Vassalboro: In regard to this resolve I wish to say that I tabled the resolve not from any feeling of animosity toward the institution whatever, but simply to allow a little time in order to have these matters arranged so that we might vote intelligently and understandingly in regard to these appropriations. I think it is apparent to us all that we need to go slow in the matter of appropriations, and it seemed to me but just that this matter with others should wait and be subject to investigation. As I said before, I wish to be distinctly understood as not opposed to this institution in the least, and, I might say, not opposed to the amount asked for, but simply as a matter of right and justice that this might be investigated and looked into with the others; and I move that this bill be further laid on the table.

Mr. Blanchard of Wilton: Two years ago, the Legislature passed a bill appropriating \$20,000 for the enlargement of the Normal school building at Farmington. At that time it was not intended that that sum would complete the enlargement of the building, but it was expected that this Legislature would be called upon to pass another appropriation to complete the building; and the committee on education has visited that building and has seen where the money has been expended there, and the committee was unanimous in the opinion that that \$20,000 had been expended most judiciously. That sum was expended in laying the foundation and the walls so that they now have a school building there that will accommodate between 200 and 300 pupils. The committee found that there were in that building 210 pupils drawn from every county in the State excepting one. Those pupils meet in a room where there is but a single floor and where the walls are sheathed with paper, while many of the recitation rooms are simply lathed; and I believe that it is only right

that this bill should pass the House upon its merits. The committee was unanimous in reporting favorably the resolve called for by the trustees, and I hope that the motion of the gentleman from Vassalboro (Mr. Ayer) will not prevail, and I call for the yeas and nays.

The question being on the motion to lay this resolve on the table, the yeas and nays were ordered.

Mr. Noble of Lewiston: An inquiry has been directed to me by a member as to whether or not the Farmington Normal school needs this appropriation, and I desire the indulgence of the House while I say to that gentleman and to all members that this appropriation is demanded by the just needs of this institution. It has been reported by the committee on education who visited this institution and made a thorough detailed examination. Now, further, it seems to me that the burden is shifted and that it lies upon the shoulders of the gentleman who desires to further delay the appropriation for the needs of this institution, to explain his action. We passed, at the close of last week, an appropriation called for by the Gorham Normal school, and it seems to me that it would be a grave act of injustice on the part of this House to deny to the institution in northern Franklin, the same recognition that it granted to the institution in Cumberland. We are commanded by the constitution not only to endow, but to provide for the just needs of our educational institutions. The highest dictates of citizenship and of love and loyalty to the State demand it, and I do not believe that any member on this floor will have any fear to face his constituents upon appropriations for educational and charitable institutions. I say to the members that in justice to this institution, we should let this measure go along in its natural and ordinary course.

Mr. Dickey of Fort Kent: I am aware that the appropriation called for is large, but the buildings are large and the expense of running them is large. I visited that school this winter and I took particular notice of the buildings and of the scholars. There were 210 scholars present on the morning that I was there; and it takes a large room and a large number of rooms and some eight or 10 teachers, and the expense is large. But it is the school, really, of the State of Maine, and always has been. We have scholars there from Fort Kent, scholars from Aroostook county, scholars from every county in the State save one, and no better teacher can be found than Mr. Purington, and no more popular man. He is made for that position. And certainly that school has sent out some very fine teachers. It is true there are not as many boys there—they don't raise them up in that country—but there are young ladies there that want an education and want to be teachers. We have at Fort Kent 50 boys in our school, more than all the other Normal schools, but yet we do not have as many scholars, only about 120, while Farmington has 210. But it seems to me that we should give Farmington what the

trustees have recommended to finish up those buildings. The main building has nothing but the bare walls with a single floor, not a single building for recitations finished at all, and all they have to hide the brick is some paper hung up on the walls. Those walls are thoroughly built under the direction of one of the trustees, Joseph Fairbanks, as good a man as there is in this State to build, and as careful a man. I have known him for 40 years and I know that there is no better business man in this State, and he has had full charge of it; and I hope that the resolve will have a passage.

Mr. Ayer of Vassalboro: I regret that the discussion has taken this turn in view of the motion that I made. I merely ask for a little time to group these things together somewhat, that the order passed some time since in regard to the grouping of these appropriations together might be complied with and that we might know what we were doing, or, as one gentleman expressed it, the other day, "To know how much money we were going to spend and how much we were going to have left when we got home." I have nothing against the Normal school at Farmington. It seems to me there is no injustice in this motion.

Mr. Philbrook of Waterville: I simply wish to say that I feel, with my convictions upon this matter, I should be recreant to my duty if I did not place myself on record in regard to this resolve. It is true that it is a reasonable plea, it is a fair request, in these days of hurried legislation, that more time might be granted in which to consider the measure now before the House. But I submit that we have been in session something like sever weeks; it was known weeks before we met what would be asked of us at the hands of the Farmington State Normal school; it has been known for weeks by this body what that school would ask; it has been known for weeks what the judgment of the trustees of these schools is; it has been known for days what the judgment of the committee on education is who have visited that school. Shall we now impeach the judgment of the trustees? Shall we impeach the judgment of the committee on education? Shall we delay legislation? I certainly hope not. I want to say that when a measure comes before you which presents so many merits as this measure does, against which no reasonable argument can be presented, as I look at it, —I want to say that such a measure should be given a prompt and hearty passage so that it may not only have the endorsement of the House of Representatives but that that endorsement may be given so promptly, so speedily and so heartily that there shall not be any question in the minds of the public as to the position of this House of Representatives upon the subject of education in the State of Maine.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Ayer of Vassalboro, to lay this resolve upon the table, the roll was called and the motion was lost by a vote of 16 for to 108 against.

Yea—Ames, Andrews, Austin, Ayer, Coffin of Shapleigh, Fogler, Fuller, Goodrich, Hamilton of Biddeford, King, Kinsman, McIntire, Tarbell, Weeks, Whiting, York.—16.

Nay—Bither, Blanchard, Boynton, Briggs, Britton, Brown, Burnham, Burns, Burrill, Burton, Chatto, Coffin of Thorndike, Conant, Cox, Cram, Currier, Cushman, Davis, Day, Dickey, Dudley, Durgin, Fernald of Levant, Fernald of Poland, Floyd, Fogg, Furbush, Gagnon, Gardner, Garvin, Gilman, Gowell, Greenleaf, Hamilton of Mattawamkeag, Hathaway, Hathorn, Hill, Holbrook, Holmes, Hurd, Hussey, Hutchins, Hutchinson, Jewell, Jones, Kaler, Kneeland, Knowlton of Newburg, Knowlton of Portland, Lane, Levensaler, Lincoln, Littlefield of Kennebunk, Littlefield of Vinalhaven, Longley, Luce, Macomber, Mason, Maxcy, Maxwell, Merrill of Bluehill, Merrill of Portland, Mitchell, Moore of Deering, Moore of Moscow, Murchie, Murphy, Newcomb, Noble, Palmer, Pattangall, Patten, Pearl, Peirce, Philbrook, Plummer, Pope, Prince, Reed, Robinson, Rodick, Rounds, Rowell of East Livermore, Rowell of Kittery, Saunders, Searls, Shaw of Cumberland, Shaw of Saco, Shepard, Simpson, Smith of Hampden, Smith of Masardis, Smith of Presque Isle, Spear, Staples, Starbird, Stetson, Stevens, Talbot, Thurston, Tolman, Violette, Walton, Wheeler, Whelden, Williams, Wilson, Winslow.—108.

Absent—Burse, Chandler, Cook, Daggett, Donnell, Edmunds, Forest, Golder, Goodwin, Guernsey, Hancock, Houghton, Larrabee of Sebago, Littlefield of Belfast, Martin, Murray, O'Neil, Penley, Pratt, Purinton, Sanborn, Sawyer, Sewall, Thompson Thurlow, Young.—26.

The resolve was then passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Newcomb of Eastport, the bill relating to the registration of guides was taken from the table.

Mr. Newcomb offered House amendment "C," to amend section 4 by adding: "Said fees to be paid by the commissioners to the treasurer of the State and credited by him to the appropriation for fish and game purposes."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Noble of Lewiston, moved that the bill and amendments be re-committed to the committee on inland fisheries and game.

Mr. Durgin of Orono: This bill was referred to the committee on inland fisheries and game and they advertised a hearing all over the State and there was a very full hearing. The committee looked into it very carefully, and I do not believe, if it should be re-committed to them, that they would change their report which they have already made; and I move that the yeas and nays be called on the motion to re-commit.

Mr. Noble of Lewiston: It seems to me that another act of injustice is about to be perpetrated if we let this bill go along without re-committal to this committee. When I came into this body, this morning, I was approached by a representative of guides for the Rangeley region, and he informed me that a majority of

the guides in that section and up through Eustis were just returning to their homes and to communication with the centers of the State, and that the provisions of this bill had just become known to them. They organized, they held a meeting, they have sent a representative here to ask of this Legislature that this bill may be re-committed for a further hearing. Now, if you will examine the matter for a moment, with all deference to the member of the committee who has just spoken, I desire to say that, although the bill has been carefully considered, it has been amended a great many times since it appeared upon this floor—I don't know how many, but I should judge at least half a dozen amendments have appeared to this bill. It contains a large amount of experimental legislation of a novel and untried character, and I believe that I voice the sentiment of a large number of representatives when I say that there is dissatisfaction with the provisions of the bill as it is drafted and presented before us, today. Now the guides have an interest in this matter. It affects their living and their calling, and I do not believe that this House is going to railroad through any legislation against which any class of our citizens enter any protest of this kind. We cannot afford to do it. And I ask the indulgence of this House that this measure, important as it is, containing radical legislation as it does, may be re-committed back, to the end that when it comes into this body again it shall come in as legislation asked for and not forced.

Mr. Austin of Milford: I most heartily agree with the gentleman from Lewiston, when he says that this bill embodies legislation that is novel and experimental. It embodies also legislation that I do not believe is called for, legislation that the guides themselves do not want and I do not believe anybody else wants. Now, I protest against the idea being forced upon this House that the judgment of committees is infallible, because it is not, and I believe that this bill should be re-committed as the gentleman from Lewiston asked. I notice that the guides not only of the Rangeley region but also from Penobscot and Aroostook are not all unanimously in favor of this bill, and some of the members of this House may have noticed a communication from a gentleman who is a guide and who was a member of this House four years ago, and he is not satisfied with this bill. I think the people of this State are not asking for this legislation. I believe that it will hurt the guides who are engaged in the business of guiding and will shut off men who are engaged in that business. I believe this bill should be re-committed so that the guides themselves may express their opinion upon this matter.

Mr. Walton of Skowhegan: I shall vote for the motion of the gentleman from Lewiston, because I am satisfied from inspection of this bill that it was not carefully considered by the committee. Upon page 3 I should like to call the gentleman's attention, between lines 51 and 53, 52 I suppose, is the statement that at the

end of the year we shall ask the following questions. It strikes me that an insertion of that kind in a bill to be passed by this Legislature is at least novel, and if the gentlemen will carefully read it they will be convinced that the committee did not carefully consider this bill before it was reported.

Mr. Hamilton of Biddeford: I know nothing about the merits of this bill, and I know just as much as I should if I listened to a discussion of this bill for a week or two weeks, but I do know this that there are parties who are here and who wish to be heard on this bill and if they have any complaints to make in regard to the bill they should have a chance to make those complaints. It is but justice to them that they should be heard, and I believe that the Legislature today would do a wrong to cut those gentlemen off, who have come here, from being heard. They were not at home when the notice was given for this hearing, and we want to be just and fair to all parties, and I don't believe it would hurt the committee a bit to hear these gentlemen in regard to what they have to say. They may get some information. I have.

The question being on the call for yeas and nays by Mr. Durgin of Orono, on recommitting the bill to the committee on inland fisheries and game, the motion was not seconded.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Noble of Lewiston, to re-commit the bill to the committee on inland fisheries and game, the motion was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Knowlton of Portland, the bill relating to the sale of agricultural seeds was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same gentleman it was re-committed to the committee on agriculture.

On motion of Mr. Holmes of Addison, the bill relating to hawkers and peddlers was taken from the table.

Mr. Walton of Skowhegan, offered amendment "A."

Mr. Holmes of Addison, offered amendments "B" and "C."

On motion of Mr. Weeks of Fairfield, pending the adoption of amendments "A," "B" and "C," the bill and amendments were laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Philbrook of Waterville, the order relating to the resolutions and memorial exercises on the death of ex-Governor Daniel F. Davis, was taken from the table.

Mr. Philbrook offered amendment "A," by adding the words "The same to be bound in a pamphlet which contains the memorial exercises held in the Senate on February 10, 1897."

The amendment was adopted and the order as amended received a passage.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton of Biddeford, resolve relating to the enforcement of the fish and game laws was taken from the table.

Mr. Durgin of Orono, offered amendment "C," to strike out the word "twenty" wherever it occurs, and insert the word "twenty-five."

Mr. Stetson of Bangor: Twenty-five thousand dollars were appropriated two

years ago for the purpose embraced in this resolve. I think there is not a member of the House present who does not realize that that \$25,000 has done as much for the good of this State and brought us into prominence and helped to bring money into this State as any \$25,000 that has ever been appropriated; and I feel that this House should pass the amendment granting \$25,000, and I trust that you will consider it favorably.

The question being on the adoption of amendment "C," offered by Mr. Durgin of Orono, Mr. Goodrich of Maxfield, called for the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays being ordered the amendment was adopted by a vote of 66 for to 55 against.

Yea—Bither, Blanchard, Boynton, Briggs, Britton, Brown, Burns, Coffin of Shapleigh, Cox, Cram, Currier, Cushman, Davis, Day, Dickey, Dudley, Durgin, Floyd, Fogg, Gilman, Gowell, Greenleaf, Hamilton of Biddeford, Hamilton of Mattawamkeag, Hill, Holmes, Hussey, Hutchinson, Jewell, Jones, Kaler, King, Littlefield of Vinalhaven, Macomber, Mason, Maxcy, Merrill of Portland, Moore of Deering, Murchie, Noble, Palmer, Patten, Pearl, Philbrook, Plummer, Pope, Reed, Robinson, Rodick, Rounds, Rowell of Kittery, Saunders, Shepard, Smith of Masardis, Smith of Presque Isle, Spear, Staples, Stetson, Stevens, Tolman, Violette, Wheeler, Whelden, Whiting, Williams, Wilson.—66.

Nay—Ames, Andrews, Ayer, Burnham, Burrill, Burton, Chatto, Coffin of Thorndike, Conant, Daggett, Fernald of Levant, Fernald of Poland, Fogler, Fuller, Fur-Gagnon, Gardner, Garvin, Goodrich, Hathaway, Hathorn, Holbrook, Hurd, Hutchins, Kinsman, Kneeland, Knowlton of Newburg, Knowlton of Portland, Lane, Levensaler, Lincoln, Littlefield of Kennebunk, Longley, Maxwell, McIntire, Merrill of Bluehill, Mitchell, Moore of Moscow, Murphy, Newcomb, Pattangall, Peirce, Prince, Rowell of East Livermore, Searls, Shaw of Cumberland, Shaw of Saco, Smith of Hampden, Talbot, Tarbell, Thurston, Walton, Weeks, Winslow, York.—55.

Absent—Austin, Burse, Chandler, Cook, Donnell, Edmunds, Forest, Golder, Goodwin, Guernsey, Hancock, Houghton, Larabee of Sebago, Littlefield of Belfast, Luce, Martin, Murray, O'Neil, Penley, Pratt, Purinton, Sanborn, Sawyer, Sewall, Simpson, Starbird, Thompson, Thurlow, Young.—29.

The resolve was then read a second time and was passed to be engrossed as amended.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton of Biddeford, the bill in relation to the protection of public records was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same gentleman, Thursday morning, after the morning hour, was assigned for its consideration.

On motion of Mr. Burrill of Corinna, Adjourned.