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OF THE

# STATE OF MAINE,

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## STATE OF MAINE.

House of Representatives, March 25, 1858.

ORDERED, That there be printed under the direction and control of the Clerk, five hundred copies of the Journal of this House. Each member of this House and of the Senate shall be entitled to receive one copy of the same, one copy shall be distributed to each member of the next House of Representatives and of the Senate on the first day of the session thereof; the remaining copies shall be deposited in the State library for the use of the State.

Read and passed.

ATTEST :

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

## JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

### STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Augusta, Wednesday, January 6th, 1858.

This being the day assigned by the Constitution of this State for the meeting of the Legislature, the Members elect of the House of Representatives in attendance at the Representatives' Hall were called to order by Mr. MAYO of Orono, and upon his motion Mr. BOODY of Brunswick was appointed Chairman of the Convention.

On motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport,

Messrs. Woodman of Bucksport, Libbey of Molunkus, Field of Danville, Deane of Portland, Morrison of Farmington, Bicknell of Augusta, Estes of Woodstock, Buck of Oldtown, Merrill of Williamsburg, Quint of Bowdoinham, Arnold of Skowhegan, Blaisdell of Frankfort, Pike of Eastport, Tillson of Rockland and Moore of Limerick, were appointed to receive and examine the credentials of the Members elect, and report whether a quorum was present. Mr. Woodman of this Committee subsequently reported that they had examined the credentials of Members and that a quorum of the Members elect was in attendance.

Mr. DAVIS of Fairfield, was charged with a message to the Governor informing him that a quorum of the Members elect of the House of Representatives had assembled in the Representatives' Hall and requesting his attendance in order to administer to them the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties. Having attended to the duty assigned him, Mr. Davis reported, that the Governor was pleased to say that he would attend the Convention forthwith. Whereupon the Governor, attended by the Council and heads of departments and preceded by the Sheriff of the County of Kennebec came in, and the Members elect took and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

The Governor and suite then retired.

On motion of Mr. PRENTISS of Bangor, Messrs. Prentiss of Bangor, Drummond of Winslow, Trussel of St. George, Marshall of Belfast, Pike of Topsfield, Tapley of Saco, and Brackett of Westbrook, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Clerk. Having attended to that duty the Committee through Mr. Prentiss reported that the whole number of votes thrown was one hundred and forty-five, 145 Necessary to a choice, seventy-three, 73 George W. Wilcox had one hundred and thirteen, 113 Joseph M. Meserve had thirty-two, 32

The report was accepted and GEORGE W. WILCOX was declared to be duly elected Clerk of the House of Representatives for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. FRENCH of Damariscotta,

A Committee of one was appointed to accompany the Clerk elect to the chamber of the Governor and Council in order for him to take the oaths required by law to enable him to enter upon the performance of the duties of his office. Mr. French was appointed said Committee and accompanied the Clerk to the Council Chamber where he took and subscribed the oaths of office, all of which was subsequently reported by Mr. French to the House.

The Clerk presided during the further organization of the House.

On motion of Mr. MOOR of Ellsworth,

Messrs. Moor of Ellsworth, Holt of Turner, Chadbourne of Standish, Hanson of Gardiner, Clark of Wells, Mayo of Orono, and Kimball of Athens, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count votes for Speaker. Having attended to that duty the Committee reported that the whole number of votes thrown was one hundred and forty-seven, 147

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Necessary to a choice, seventy-four,

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JOSIAH H. DRUMMOND of Waterville, had one hundred and fourteen, 114

Benjamin F. Buxton had thirty-two.

William T. Johnson had one,

The report was accepted and JOSIAH H. DRUMMOND was declared to be duly and constitutionally elected Speaker of the House of Representatives for the current political year.

Mr. DRUMMOND was conducted to the chair by Mr. Buxton of Warren, and addressed the House as follows:

#### Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

You will accept my grateful thanks, for the honor incident to the position your partiality has assigned me.

I enter upon the discharge of its duties with much distrust from my limited knowledge of parliamentary rules and my brief experience as a Legislator.

While I shall endeavor to the utmost of my ability to reflect your will, that will will be best subserved by a steady adherence to those rules which long usage has found to promote dispatch, prevent too hasty legislation, and secure the rights of minorities. In my efforts to accomplish this, I shall rely on your forbearance and assistance, and allow me, gentlemen, to express the confident hope, that we may have a short, useful and harmonious session.

A message was sent to the Senate by Mr. Milliken of Camden, and also a similar message to the Governor and Council by Mr. Prentiss of Bangor, informing those branches of the government that the House of Representatives had organized by the election of JOSIAH H. DRUMMOND as Speaker, and GEORGE W. WILCOX as Clerk. These gentlemen reported to the House that they had discharged the duty assigned them.

On motion of Mr. MILLIKEN of Camden,

Messrs. Milliken of Camden, Burbank of Lewiston, Pattee of Fort Fairfield, Ingalls of Bridgton, Parsons of Eustis plantation, Marcyes of Eden, and Palmer of Albion, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Assistant Clerk.

Having attended to that duty the Committee reported that the whole number of votes was one hundred and thirty-four, 134 Necessary to a choice, sixty-eight, 68

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Charles A. Miller had one hundred and seventeen,	117
Elias G. Hedge had eleven,	11
George A. White had six,	6
The report was accepted and CHARLES A. MILLER was	declared

to be elected Assistant Clerk.

On motion of Mr. FRENCH of Damariscotta,

Ordered, That B. B. Thomas be appointed Messenger, and A. L. Norton and E. P. Parcher Assistant Messengers of this House for the ensuing political year.

Read and passed.

A message was received from the Senate through Mr. Burpee of Lincoln informing the House that the Senate had organized by the choice of Hon. SETH SCAMMAN as President, and JOSEPH B. HALL, Esq., as Secretary.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, informing the House that on this day he had laid before the Senate the returns of votes made to his office for Governor for the current political year.

Order from the Senate.

Ordered, That the returns of votes for Governor given in the several cities, towns and plantations of this State for the current political year, be referred to a Joint Select Committee consisting of seven on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join. This order came from the Senate having been read and passed, and Messrs. Lothrop of Somerset, Hoyt of Franklin, Berry of Waldo Thomas of Cumberland, Fletcher of Kennebec, Hobart of Washington, and Plaisted of Penobscot, appointed said Committee on the part of the Senate. The order was read and passed in concurrence, and on motion of Mr. HOBBS of Waterford, Messrs. Hobbs of Waterford, Hagar of Richmond, Lane of Poland, Buxton of Warren, Bowen of Portland, Woodbury of Houlton, Parker of Dedham, Porter of Lowell, Chick of Madrid, Pike of Calais, Kimball of Athens, Rowell of Hallowell, Conant of Appleton, Loring of Guilford, and Swett of York, were joined to said Committee on the part of the House.

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#### On motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House be directed to cause to be supplied to the members and officers of the House during the session one copy each of the Legislative newspapers, published by the conductors of the Kennebec Journal and of the Age.

Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. MARSHALL of Belfast,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House be directed to invite the • several clergymen of Augusta, Hallowell and Gardiner to officiate as Chaplains to the House and to assign to such of them as accept the invitations their several days of service.

Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. MORRISON of Farmington,

Ordered, That the Rules and Orders of the last House of Representatives be adopted for the government of this House until otherwise ordered, and the Secretary of State be directed to deliver to the Messenger the copies reserved last year for the use of the House.

Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta,

Ordered, That a Committee of five be appointed to report to this House Rules and Orders for the government of its proceedings. Read and passed, and Messrs. Johnson of Augusta, Moore of Limerick, Boody of Brunswick, Banks of Biddeford, and Davis of Fairfield, were appointed said Committee.

On motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath,

Ordered, That ten o'clock A. M. of each day be established as the hour when this House will meet in session until otherwise ordered.

Read and passed.

Adjourned.

ATTEST :

#### GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

#### THURSDAY, JANUARY 7, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. WEBB of Augusta.

Mr. MOORE of Limerick, announced to the House that Mr. Parkes of South Berwick, a Member elect of this House, was not present yesterday and had not been qualified. By direction of the Speaker, Mr. Moore was requested to accompany Mr. Parkes to the Council Chamber for the purpose of his taking the oaths of office. He subsequently reported that he had performed the duty assigned him, that Mr. Parkes had taken and subscribed the usual oaths.

The SPEAKER announced the Monitors of the House as follows:

First Division,	Marcyes of Eden.
Second "	Pattee of Fort Fairfield.
Third "	Pettengill of Wayne.
Fourth "	Roak of Durham.
Fifth "	Porter of Sebago.
Sixth "	Blaisdell of Frankfort.
Seventh "	Holt of Turner.
Eighth "	Pike of Eastport.

On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be requested to furnish to the House of Representatives one copy of Webster's Dictionary Unabridged, one copy of Greenleaf's Map of Maine, and one copy of the Revised Statutes, and that the Clerk be directed to have printed on the cover of the Dictionary, in gilt letters, the words "House of Representatives."

Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. HOBBS of Waterford, the House adjourned. ATTEST: GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

#### FRIDAY, JANUARY 8.

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Prayer by the Rev. Mr. COLBY of Augusta.

Order from the Senate.

Ordered, That a Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be raised to prepare Joint Rules and Orders for the government of the two Houses for 1858.

This order came from the Senate having been read and passed, and Messrs. Wasson of Hancock, Burbank of Cumberland, and Hobbs of Waldo, were appointed said Committee on the part of the Senate. The order was read and passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Johnson of Augusta, Moore of Limerick, Boody of Brunswick, Banks of Biddeford, and Davis of Fairfield, were joined to said Committee on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. BOODY of Brunswick,

The House suspended for this day the sixty-second rule of the House.

The report of the Joint Select Committee to whom was referred the returns of votes for Governor, was made in the Senate and came from that branch having been read and accepted. It was read and accepted in concurrence in the House, and is as follows:

Whole number of votes,	97,668
Necessary to a choice,	48,535
Lot M. Morrill has	$54,\!473$
Manasseh H. Smith has	42,940
George F. Patten,	180
Edward Kent,	8
Joseph Patten,	1
Noah Smith, jr.,	2
George F. Talbot,	. 1
Ezekiel Holmes,	6
David Bronson,	3
Manasseh H. Smit,	1
Freeman H. Morse,	3

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Order from the Senate.

Ordered, That a Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be chosen to wait upon the Hon. LOT M. MORRILL and inform him that he has been elected by the people Governor of the State of Maine for the current political year. This order came from the Senate having been read and passed, and Messrs. Chapman of Lincoln, Hamlin of Penobscot, and Dane of York, were appointed said Committee on the part of the Senate. The order was passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Johnson of Augusta, Davis of Buxton, Pike of Topsfield, Arnold of Skowhegan, Buck of Oldtown, Tillson of Rockland, and Spooner of New Portland, were joined to said Committee on the part of the House.

The report of this Committee was subsequently made to the House

through its Chairman, Mr. Johnson of Augusta, who reported that said Committee had discharged the duty assigned them, and the Governor elect was pleased to say that he accepted the office to which he had been elected and would meet the Legislature at such time as it would indicate to take and subscribe the oaths of office necessary to enable him to enter upon the performance of his duties.

On motion of Mr. BOODY of Brunswick,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate proposing a Convention of the two bodies, at ten minutes past eleven o'clock this day, in the Hall of the House of Representatives, for the purpose of administering the oaths of office to the Governor elect and of receiving from him such communication as he may be pleased to make.

Read and passed.

Mr. Boody was charged with the message, and he subsequently reported that he had performed the duty assigned him.

A message was received from the Senate through its Secretary, JOSEPH B. HALL, Esq., signifying the concurrence of that body in the proposition of the House for a Convention to qualify the Governor elect.

At the time assigned the Senate came in and a Convention was formed.

#### IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. BURBANK of Cumberland,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor elect informing him that the Legislature had assembled in Convention in the Hall of the House of Representatives for the purpose of administering to him the oaths of office required by the Constitution and laws in order to enable him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties, and also to receive such communication as he might be pleased to make.

Mr. Burbank of Cumberland was charged with the message and he afterwards reported that he had performed the duty assigned him and that the Governor elect was pleased to say that he would forthwith be in attendance upon the Convention for the purposes indicated in the message.

Whereupon the Governor elect, attended by the Council and Heads of Departments, and preceded by the Sheriff of the County of Kennebec, came in and in presence of the two Houses of the Legislature and before the President of the Senate, took and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution and the laws to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The Secretary of State then made the usual proclamation, after which the Governor was pleased to communicate to the Convention, by message, information upon the affairs and condition of the State, as follows:

#### Gentlemen of the Senate

and of the House of Representatives :

We have assembled, in obedience to the will of the people, intrusted with high responsibilities and duties. Acknowledging our moral accountability to the Supreme Ruler of the universe, and conscious that in His hands are the destinies of nations, may we fervently hope to be guided by His wisdom, that we may perform our duties aright, and thereby promote the general welfare.

The state is necessarily involved in the general financial embarrassment under which the nation is suffering. Although happily free from any great national calamity, and blessed with all the elements of prosperity, a general and wide spread derangement prevails, producing a revolution in all the departments of business and enterprise throughout the country — a revolution which not only prostrates the most accredited houses and moneyed institutions, but, in its comprehensive sweep, has touched the springs of labor, paralyzed the activities of ordinary pursuits, and leaving thousands of our fellow men dependent upon their labor, without employment and the means of support, and presenting the anomalous spectacle of want and distress in a nation blessed with unexampled general prosperity, and wholly free from any great public calamity.

With no desire to exaggerate the public distress, and with no purpose of an extended discussion of the causes which have been productive of the present condition of affairs, it is important that these causes should be rightly apprehended and noted, to enable us to draw from them the practical duties of the present and the future.

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The crisis in which the country is involved is not altogether unlooked for or unnatural. Panics and revulsions have occurred in the commercial world, with nearly each successive generation, during the last two hundred years. There have been repeated days of adversity, and men have not considered. The law of compensation seems not to apply here, as elsewhere. The oft recurring disasters in commerce, embarrassments in trade, distress in business, have not served to inculcate that measure of wisdom essential to a renovation of the pernicious business systems which prevail, and necessary to prevent a recurrence of similar periods of panic and revulsion.

A variety of causes have undoubtedly contributed to the present embarrassed condition in the monetary and business affairs of the country. A general statement, embracing many of them, is that which attributes it, in a great measure, to over action in all the departments of business and enterprise, and extravagance of expenditure, in both public and private affairs. The incentives to this public and private excess are numerous and strong, general and special.

The American mind acts perpetually under an intense sentiment of nationality. If our example may be said to inspire the democracy of other nations with the loftiest ideas in respect to the mission of "the model republic," it is equally true that our own people share in the inspiration. Its physical nature and position, and its advancement in all the elements of natural power and greatness, are equally inspiring; its territory already embracing one-tenth of the habitable globe; from thirteen feeble colonies having increased to thirty-one independent state sovereignties, and still forming in rapid succession; its agriculture rewarding the husbandman with marvellous abundance; its commerce having already placed it in the first rank of commercial nations; its · railroads intersecting the country at all points, and involving the outlay of hundreds of millions of dollars; its manufactures and mechanic arts having reached the point of successful competition with the oldest nations; these serve perpetually to stimulate the people, and to beget in them a spirit of restless enterprise and of extreme activity.

This overpowering national impulse finds its gratification, also, in corresponding private and social *displays*—in elegant mansions, costly furniture, splendid equipage, and, divested of high aims, takes on the more questionable character of indulgence in mere trappings; and thus the habits of domestic and social life become changed from those of simplicity to those of extravagance. Considering the general tendency

to excess, the absence of all positive restraints or checks, the wonder is, not that derangement and embarrassment happen to the individual and the community, but that they do not come with greater frequency. The nation needs the restraints of the check, not the incentives of the spur, to its aspirations and endeavors.

To what extent the currency of the country has contributed to the present condition of affairs, there is every variety and shade of opinion. The banks, practically, under our system, furnish the almost exclusive currency for the people.

Not to discuss the merits of a system which so universally prevails, and with which this state is connected through its own banking institutions, and which renders any attempt at radical change at once difficult, if not impracticable—this much at least should be considered, whether there are not defects in it which the public security demand should be provided for.

One important objection to a paper currency is supposed to exist in its liability to sudden expansions and contractions, to the prejudice of the business of the community, and affecting the value of the property and productions of the country, by affecting the measure of value, by the enlargement of it to-day, and the diminution of it to-morrow. Perfect uniformity in any currency is unattainable, yet that which approaches nearest a specie currency is most likely to be uniform. As the circulation of the banks throughout the country is now small, and the influx of specie large, the present may be regarded as a favorable opportunity for some prospective measure designed to retain specie in more 'general circulation. This object might be obtained, and the circulation of the precious metals among the people in ordinary business provided for, by prohibiting the circulation of small bills. Whether this method is not practicable, especially in concert with other states in New England, I submit to your careful consideration.

The belief is general, that the banking system in this country is not as perfect as it ought to be, and as the interests of the people require. The generally conceded fact that these institutions, by their alternate expansions and contractions, have contributed to the present financial derangement, together with their inability to meet their own promises to pay, when the crisis came on, is conclusive evidence both of radical defect in the system, and of its injurious character. Bank notes are a mere contrivance to effect some of the purposes of money; their value consists in their promises to pay a certain amount of money,

and that the persons among whom they circulate, believe these promises will be kept. The character of the bank, like that of the merchant, will depend upon its positive ability to perform its promises. It does not necessarily follow that no issue ought to be made beyond the reserve of specie retained in hand. The very purpose of the bank is to make other descriptions of property serve, to a certain extent, the But what should be demanded of the banks, and purpose of specie. they should be put upon such footing as to require it, is, that while the banker may be permitted so to manage as to have the least practicable amount of specie lying idle, with largest practicable circulation, he should be held, upon his peril, to keep within his capacity of turning his effects into specie so rapidly as to meet any possible demands from the bills. Any system which does not absolutely require this much, and any practice of the banks which puts it beyond their power to perform this much, is deemed to be wholly wrong and unsafe. There should be no contingency where this rule should be relaxed. As much is implied in the duties of the bank to the public, and as much is demanded by the safety of the public. A suspension of specie payments by the banks, is either a violent implication upon the system, or upon its management.

The multiplicity of banks in the state is an evil, and a spirit of rivalry among banks is promotive of evil. The legitimate purpose of banking is to facilitate the business of the community. Banks should be located with strict reference to actual business wants. Where such wants are fully met by one bank another should not be created. Experience has shown that competition between small banks leads to the encouragement of a class of paper not contemplated by the laws.

It is not understood that the temporary inability of our banks to make specie payments, results from any want of ultimate ability to discharge all their liabilities. Nor is there just apprehension of their soundness and the security of the public as connected with them. On the contrary, they have maintained their credit with commendable promptitude during the prevalence of severest revulsion.

Your judgment is invited to the consideration of the question whether any measures are necessary to prevent a recurrence of bank suspensions, and to provide against the effects upon the country consequent thereon.

Whatever checks or restraints you may think proper to throw around the system to protect the community against injurious influences, from that quarter, for the future, if it be true that, to a great extent, the present prostrate condition of the business of the country, and the apparent scarcity of money, is attributable to extravagance of investment and individual extravagance—investment which has made no adequate return, and extravagance beyond the income—then it is obvious that the remedy the case admits of and requires, for permanent relief, is retrenchment and economy of investment and economy of expenditure, in all departments, public and private, individual and personal—an economy which shall criticise the fitness of the smallest item of outlay, and force within the narrowest limits both public and private disbursements. Embarrassment has not come because the sources of wealth are not abundant, both in the bounties of nature and the creative art of our people, but simply because we have not accumulated by frugality.

It is not too much to add, that the economy of living, a real virtue, is too little understood and practiced by all classes among us; and that we are not, in our habits and tastes, sufficiently American, but in these defer to foreign customs, and unwisely and unpatriotically prefer the imported fabric and production to those of American skill and labor.

The public laws having undergone a thorough consolidation under the observation of the last legislature, and thereby superseding any supposed necessity for general legislation at present, and the probability of small demand for special legislation from general prostration of business, would seem to authorize the hope that, with a determination formed at the outset and acted upon persistently, the needful business of the session may be transacted in less time than is usual. Overlegislation is an evil; frequent changes and amendments of the laws are impolitic and unwise; next to certainty, the stability of the laws is of the utmost importance. It is only when so regarded that a presumptive knowledge of the laws is not an absurdity.

In the furtherance of these views, and in the practice of that state economy which is especially due, at this time, towards the people we represent, let us carefully refrain from all measures not clearly demanded, and let whatever is required be dispatched with that promptitude which shall exhibit a spirit of generous devotion to the public weal.

With states, as with individuals, uninterrupted prosperity is not to be expected; yet it is believed that the retrospect of the brief history of our state, affords most gratifying evidence of public prosperity, and holds out to the future cheering prospects of coming advancement in all the essential elements of a great commonwealth.

With the increase of our population and the progress of settlements, under the encouragement of a liberal policy adopted by the legislature, manufactures have sprung up in the state, and have become a successful and permanent branch of the business of our people.

The enterprise of our people, keeping pace with the general movements which have prevailed throughout the country for improvements in the means of intercommunication, has led to the construction of lines of railway, which, while they afford facilities for the frequent intercourse of our people, and serve to develop the natural resources of the state, and stimulate to increased activity its enterprise and industry, have put us in direct and easy communication with the most remote parts of the country, and afford also facilities for the most extended internal and external commerce of the state by their extension into Canada, and connection with the railways of that country.

Incited by the natural advantages of our extended sea coast, affording safe and commodious harbors, our citizens have, with characteristic energy, engaged in commerce, navigation and the fisheries. Maine furnishes annually more of the tonnage which constitutes the splendid fleet of the merchant marine of the nation, than any one of her sister states—is second to one only of these states in the amount of her tonnage employed in the coastwise trade, and to one only in the extent of her fisheries. While her agriculture and mechanic interests have greatly increased, and the moral, social and intellectual condition of the people have received corresponding attention.

It is believed the natural capabilities of the state are favorable to the highest advancement in all the elements of a prosperous commonwealth. Its advantages for commerce, through its extended sea coast, capacious and safe harbors, are unrivalled. Its inexhaustible water falls, afford a cheap and constant power sufficient for all the needful machinery of the nation. Its forests afford lucrative employment for a numerous class of her citizens, and furnish a large item for exportation, and will continue to be an unfailing source of wealth not easily over-estimated in its importance to the labor and enterprise of the state.

It has also vast agricultural resources. If its soil is not equal in fertility to the valley of the Mississippi, it is, in great part, superior to most of the New England states in this respect, and it is believed that the faithful husbandman has here never failed of his due reward.

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Upon an intelligent review of its physical position, capabilities and natural advantages, there is no reason for repining that it has not blander skies and more fertile soil.

Its unrivalled advantages for commerce and navigation, manufactures and mechanic arts, more than counterbalance any supposed disparity in these respects. If in the future, the state loiters in the rear of her sister states, in that grand march of progress and advancement, which the nation is making to the highest achievement, physical and moral, rest assured the fault is our own.

A state regarded as a permanent habitation for man, and as a theatre also for the development of his moral and intellectual powers, is not to be determined wholly, or in chief, by the fertility of the soil. The advantages of commerce, manufactures and the mechanic arts are of vast importance to the general prosperity and elevation of a people. These remarks are suggested by the apprehension of a growing disposition among our people to undervalue their privileges and advantages, and to abandon them for what are regarded fairer prospects elsewhere. Not to institute invidious comparisons between any portions of our widely extended and greatly diversified country, the assertion may be ventured, that amid the rush and agitation of elements, harmonious and inharmonious, the infinite commingling of alien and native, and the countervailing forces under and by which American society is driven forward, particularly at those points where the ceaseless tide of foreign emigration flows, nowhere can a home be found where the blessings of health, comfort and competence, and privileges, social, moral and intellectual, abound more than here. Above all, our people should cherish a sentiment for "New England homes," based upon an intelligent appreciation of the privileges and peculiarities in which we differ, as well as the great privileges of citizenship possessed in common. with the nation.

The importance and necessity of agriculture to a state, is universally conceded. It is, and must ever continue to be, the great leading interest of our people. While manufactures, commerce and the mechanic arts have their importance as branches of public industry, agriculture lies at the foundation of all. Unlike those countries where the land is held by a few proprietors, and is principally occupied in large tracts by tenants, who cultivate it by labor, having no interest in the soil, here the land is owned by those who till it on their own account, in comparatively small farms, and who, drawing their support from sources

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independent of the fluctuations of trade, and the favors of government, constitute at once a reliable and important portion of the community.

The progress of agriculture in this state has not kept pace with the skill and improvements displayed in other departments of industry; a variety of causes have contributed to the general apathy upon the subject not necessary here to notice. A more hopeful sentiment is beginning to prevail. Societies under the patronage of the state, have been formed for the promotion of general agriculture, and its bounty has been granted to these societies, and it is believed that they are exerting a salutary influence. A state board of agriculture has also been organized under the act of 1856. Its existence is too brief, and its field of operations and observation too limited, to determine what may be the extent of its future usefulness.

Much good may be anticipated from its annual investigation of subjects of agriculture, horticulture and kindred subjects, and from the publication of the results of these investigations for the general information of the agriculturists of the state. Much useful and important information may be furnished through the report of the secretary of the board, whose duty it is to publish a detailed report "of the doings of the board, together with a digest of the several agricultural and horticultural societies, and of such statistics as he may be able to collect, with such recommendations and suggestions as the interests of agriculture may require." This report will be laid before you.

Intimately connected with this subject having the most important bearing upon the growth and prosperity of the state, is the settlement of our territory with intelligent and industrious citizens. The Aroostook county, by far the most fertile of our lands, makes slow and imperfect progress in settlements for want of facilities for transportation and intercommunication. If any method can be devised by which an object so desirable can be promoted, it would be for the highest interest of the state, at once, to embrace it. It has ever been regarded an object of the deepest solicitude, and the legislature has from time to time appropriated means for the construction of roads for this purpose. These are necessarily imperfect, and compared with modern modes of transportation, unsatisfactory.

I invite your careful consideration of this whole subject, in a spirit of enlightened liberality, and cannot too urgently press it upon your attention.

The constitution declares that "a general diffusion of the advantages

of education is essential to the preservation of the rights and liberties of the people;" and it enjoins upon the legislature the duty of requiring of the several towns and cities suitable provision for the support of public schools, and also requires the endowment of colleges and academies. Herein is the recognition of the maxim that a republican government must rest on the intelligence of the people.

Education, intellectual and moral culture for all, was ordained as the means for the establishment and support of civil and religious liberty. Coeval with our political forms of government, was the establishment of a system of common schools. Sedulously provided for as the first care of the state, watched over with paternal solicitude and sustained by an unbounded munificence, it has come down to us. It lies at the basis of the state's deepest concerns, as common to all, and as the broad foundation of all other institutions of learning; and while it may claim your first attention, it should not be forgotton that the genius of our government is equally the fostering parent of the college and the academy, into which, from the common school, those who are prompted by an innate ambition to excel in the higher walks of education, may go, and there qualify themselves for successful competition for the highest prizes of the state.

The times will not admit of reduction in the general standard of intelligence among the people. We are indebted to the intelligence, high culture and strong virtue of the original settlers, for our institutions. To maintain the splendid superstructure of civil and religious liberty, which has been built upon the foundations laid by those who originally came here with motives of the highest social, political and moral character, against the sinister influences which have succeeded, as well as the general demoralization of the nation, popular education should be amply provided for, and a high standard of intelligence secured. Notwithstanding the severity of the times and the necessity of the practice of a rigid economy in public and private expenditures, I deem it worthy your consideration whether the interests of the common schools do not demand the establishment of a school for the qualification of teachers. It is quite apparent, from the legislation of the past few years, that the people of the state, in the bestowal of its bounties, have a partiality for those schools.

If this sentiment should continue, it will be found necessary to provide for a supply of teachers, which heretofore has been sent out from the academies. For information as to the actual condition and wants of the system of common schools, you are referred to the report of the superintendent, which will be laid before you.

Of the operation of the land office, a detailed statement will be found in the report of the land agent; and 'I am not aware that any new legislation for material changes in the present system will be called for.

Your early attention is invited to the affairs of the prison at Thomaston. Its crowded condition renders some alteration or extension in its internal arrangement necessary to accommodate the present inmates, not to anticipate further commitments. The main prison has one hundred and eight cells. There are now one hundred and thirteen inmates, a portion of whom occupy apartments designed and required for the sick. Some alteration of the work shops is required also, to enable the warden to employ the men to advantage. To meet these necessities, an appropriation will be required.

The reports from the trustees and superintendent of the insane asylum and reform school, will inform you as to their condition, management, and necessities. They exist upon the bounties of the state, and make constant appeals to its enlightened liberality for support. Too high an estimate cannot be placed upon our charitable and reformatory institutions. I commend them to the especial care of the . legislature.

The state has still unsettled claims upon the general government, for balance of interest upon advances made on the protection of the north eastern territory; for expenses of commissioner to ascertain the rights of settlers in the late disputed territory entitled to indemnity finder the treaty of Washington, for value of land set off to settlers under that treaty. You may learn the nature and extent of these claims from the report of the agent at Washington, engaged in presenting the same, which will be laid before you. Any special action on this subject is referred to your judgment.

The constitution of the United States contemplates an organized, armed and disciplined militia, in the several states, to be officered and trained by their authority, according to the discipline prescribed by congress.

The state constitution declares that "no person of the age of eighteen, and under the age of forty-five, excepting quakers and shakers, justices of the supreme judicial court, ministers of the gospel, and officers of the militia, who have been honorably discharged, shall be exempt from the performance of military duty, unless he shall pay an equivalent to be fixed by law."

The duty providing for "a well regulated militia," is imposed upon the state by the constitution and laws of the United States; recognizing this obligation, the state constitution exacts military service, or an equivalent, of a certain description of its citizens.

It does not seem to be contemplated that the whole class of persons • upon whom military service is thus imposed, will, in time of peace, be required to perform active duty, hit may be exempt therefrom by payment of an equivalent. Such are the habits of our people and the position of the state, that a small farce only seems required to be organized for active duty. The militar should rest upon the constitutional basis, and not depend upon the bounty of the state.

That description of persons upon whom military service is imposed by the constitution, would cheerfully pay such slight equivalent, to be exempted from active duty, as the legislature should deem necessary to defray the expenses of such volunteer soldiery as would be required for active service. With this view, I recommend that all persons contemplated by the constitution as subjects of military service, be enrolled in the manner now provided for by law, but subjected to no active duty; and that the uniform militia now authorized for active duty, be reduced to at least three thousand men, with suitable provisions for rations while on duty.

The frequent complaints of the system of attachment on mesne process, and the sentiment more or less prevalent for some provision for the equitable distribution of estates of insolvent debtors, would seem to call for some consideration of the subject by the legislature. The matter is submitted to your judgment.

For a statement of the financial condition of the state, you are referred to the report of the treasurer. It is not understood to be at all flattering. An approximate estimate of expenditures and receipts for the current year, will show the annual income of the state to be insufficient to meet its current expenditures, and will leave a deficit at the end of the year of some sixty thousand dollars.

An increase of state tax upon the present valuation would not seem to be desirable or equitable. How then shall the treasury be relieved ? It may be found practicable in one of two ways, or in both, namely, by transferring a portion of the demands upon it to other quarters, or by reducing the expenditures. The costs of criminal prosecutions are

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an annual drain upon the treasury of between thirty-five thousand and forty thousand dollars, and it may be worthy of consideration whether these expenses might not, with propriety and economy, be defrayed by the several counties in which they originated, both as a present relief and as a permanent requirement. With a view to further relief, I commend to your close examination the items of anticipated disbursements, and the enforcement of a rigid economy in every department of expenditure, suggesting especially that the item of legislative expenses may, and ought to be greatly diminished; and herein may your session have the special merit of being an industrious and short one, and thus alleviate the public burdens.

The people of the state view with deep solicitude the subject of the traffic in intoxicating drinks. The prevalence of intemperance consequent upon the nearly unrestricted traffic, is just cause for public alarm. The sentiment is nearly universal as to the common danger from this source, and the demand for some adequate remedy is equally universal. The sentiment as to the best methods of relief is not equally concordant, and from this want of harmony there is reason to apprehend that the cause of temperance, which all right minded citizens desire to promote, may suffer harm.

It is contended that in this great reform, reliance must be placed in efforts strictly moral, and that all legislative penalties are unwise and injurious—that men cannot be reformed of their habits by penal enactments. There may be more or less truth in this position; its fallacy, however, consists in assigning to the legislature a province essentially foreign to it. The legislature assumes to deal with the *traffic*, as it is supposed to effect injuriously the well being of the state, and does not address itself to the moral sense of the individual as to what is right or wrong in moral conduct merely. The legislator takes cognizance of the prevalence of a traffic which afflicts the state with crime, pauperism and disorder, and according to his observation is injurious to the public morals, health and general prosperity, and for these reasons we seek to suppress it.

Upon this, as upon other subjects, there may be intemperate legistion, which will react against the salutary objects sought to be promoted; but upon this, as upon all other important subjects, there may be found, it is to be hoped, a common principle or basis upon which intelligent and well disposed men may unite for the promotion of the common object.

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With the lights of experience and a sense of the magnitude of the evil, and with a general feeling among the people that this whole subject is pre-eminently a moral question, the times, it is believed, are favorable to calm deliberation and united effort, with the common purpose of enacting the most efficient and expedient law possible—the most efficient because the most expedient.

That the evil falls within the power of the legislature, and that the exercise of its power is expedient, is sustained by the legislation of this country from its earliest settlement. The right of this exercise of the legislative power over the subject conceded, it only remains, as a practical question, to determine the extent of the power, and how far it is expedient to exercise it. All will agree that it is expedient to exercise so much conceded, or ascertained power, as may be required to accomplish the object.

Happily the extent of the conservative power of the state, on this and kindred subjects, has been clearly defined and settled by the judiciary in this country, both federal and state.

The present chief justice of the supreme court of the United States, in pronouncing the opinion of the court in a case involving this right of the state, says : "Every state may regulate its internal traffic according to its judgment and upon its views of the interests and well being of its citizens. If any state deems the retail and traffic in ardent spirits injurious to its citizens, and calculated to produce idleness, vice and debauchery, I see nothing in the constitution of the United States to prevent it from regulating and restraining the traffic, and prohibiting it altogether, if it think proper. The acknowledged police power of the state extends often to the destruction of property. Every thing prejudicial to the health and morals of the community may be removed. If the foreign article be injurious to the health and morals of the country, a state may, in the exercise of that great and conservative police power, which lies at the foundation of its prosperity, prohibit the sale of it."

The decisions of our own state court are equally comprehensive and explicit. The late chief justice employs this language : "The state, by its legislative enactments, acting prospectively, may determine that articles injurious to public health and morals, shall not constitute property within its jurisdiction. It may come to the conclusion that spirituous líquors, when used as a beverage, are productive of a great variety of ills and evils to the people, both in their individual and in their associate relations; and the least use of them for such a purpose is injurious, and suited to produce, by a greater use, serious injury to the comfort, morals and health; that the common use of them for such a purpose operates to diminish the productiveness of labor, to injure the health, to impose upon the people additional and unnecessary burdens, to produce waste of time and of property, to introduce disorder and disobedience to law, to disturb the peace, and to multiply crimes of every grade. Such conclusion would be justified by the experience and history of man. If a legislature should declare that no person should acquire any property in them, for such a purpose, there would be no occasion for complaint that it had violated any provision of the constitution."

The same doctrine prevails in Massachusetts : "The legislature may declare the possession of certain articles of property, *either absolutely*, or in particular places and under particular circumstances, to be unlawful, *because* they would be injurious, dangerous or obnoxious, and may provide for the seizure and confiscation, or destruction thereof, by due process of law."

The state, then, it will be perceived, has plenary power over the traffic in intoxicating drinks, and "may regulate, restrain, or prohibit it altogether"—"may declare that the least use of intoxicating drinks, as a beverage, is injurious," that "such conclusions would be justified by the experience and history of man," that "no person should acquire any property in them for a beverage," and that "it may provide for their confiscation and destruction."

Thus, with great perspicuity, has the judicial mind of the country, federal and state, determined the province and the prerogatives of the legislature, in relation to this important subject; and our own state court has, in the language above quoted, with equal clearness indicated a formula, within the scope of which it may be expedient to exercise the power "to prohibit the traffic in ardent spirits as a beverage," and "to provide for the confiscation and destruction thereof by due process of law."

The expediency of this exercise of power is, in my judgment, equally clear upon principle. If it be assumed that the traffic in intoxicating drinks for a beverage be injurious, then it necessarily follows that such traffic cannot, with propriety, be permitted—cannot be licensed or tolerated—but the enacting power must forbid it altogether. And this rule is as imperative in legislation as in morals—prohibition is the only intelligent action in the case of a conceded wrong. The annals of legislation in this country upon this subject may also be appealed to, in proof of the correctness of this position, as a practical question. The license system has proved wholly inadequate every where. Under it, the sale and consumption of intoxicating liquors have greatly increased. Our type of intemperance, both as to quantity and quality of liquors used, is severer than is known elsewhere. Experience proves how futile are all attempts to subject to authority, and wisely control, a practice which claims to act by permission. The utmost vigilance over licensed houses has always been in vain—all efforts to prevent abuse of authority to no purpose.

Under the present law, the traffic in intoxicating drinks for a beverage, is becoming quite general in all the cities and towns. It is fraught with ills innumerable to the state—with beggary and crime. It may well be considered whether, for such use, it should not be declared contraband.

While experience and history clearly indicate the duty of the state to prohibit the traffic for a beverage, it is not equally clear that those liquors have not important uses in medicine and the arts—if, indeed, the converse be not true, and therefore it would seem their sale for such purposes should be provided for to such extent, and under such restrictions and regulations as the public interests and safety require. I commend the whole subject to your especial attention.

In a popular form of government, where the efficiency of the laws will depend upon the unanimity of the people in their support, particularly in that class of enactments which intimately effect the social habits of the community, it is highly important they should have the popular sanction. With the hope, also, that some common ground may be found upon which all well wishers to public sobriety may unite, and thus place the question, by a decided expression of the people in their primary assemblies, above the reach of mere partizan aims, I commend to your consideration, whether it be not wise to submit to them, for approval, in such manner as shall most likely elicit a general expression, ahy law you may enact upon the subject.

Such is our plan of government that each state has a deep stake in whatever affects the general welfare. By it the several states are made to move around the general government as a common centre, and to receive from it their national character, while each moves within its own sphere, and is left perfectly free to the pursuits and policy peculiar to its interests; and hence the people of the several states must ever view, with deepest solicitude, the acts of the national government bearing upon this two-fold relation.

While it is conceded that no more general power can be exercised than has been expressly delegated, experience proves that the most important results depend upon the interpretation of this power, and that out of this interpretation have sprung diverse policies, giving rise to, and keeping alive, political parties, in the several states and nation.

It is in this manner, also, that constitutional governments, by false interpretation, become distorted, perverted, and at length revolutionized, the constitution itself remaining unchanged.

The nation has entered upon an epoch of such interpretation of its constitution and theory of government. Its immediate effect is seen in the dissolution and re-construction of political parties, while the remote consequences are shadowed forth in the new government policy, new sentiments and opinions which are inculcated upon the subject of negro slavery.

At the period of the formation of the government, the character of negro slavery and the traffic in slaves had been accurately estimated and determined by the civilized nations of the earth, in regard to which there was no difference of sentiment or opinion among the mass of the people of this country, its statesmen, philosophers and philanthropists.

It was held to exist in derogation of the natural rights of the slavethat it was an unmitigated evil-that it was the duty and interest of the nation to discountenance and inhibit the traffic, and restrict slavery to the localities where it existed by force of the local law. The colonies had denounced the mother country for its participation in its establishment, and for neglect of duty in its refusal to co-operate with them for its abolition. At the period of the revolution, and during the confederation of the states, the detestation in which slavery was held by the people is expressed in their literature, laws, jurisprudence, resolutions of their legislatures and primary assemblies, and the acts of the congress. When the constitution was formed, as a nation, the American people had adopted and published to the world, as the fundamental principles of that liberty they sought to establish through the forms of government, political maxims wholly opposed to all forms of slavery. They had proclaimed their hostility to the slave trade and slavery itself -they had provided against its spread into any portion of the territories, and contemplated its final extinction. The nation began its

career by the recognition of the inalienable rights of man as self-evident political truths, as forming the basis of all just governments, and as containing the principles of political morality and immutable rectitude.

The constitution of the United States was based upon and recognized the same principles and theory of government which had been before asserted; and the constitution and the declaration of independence are parts of one consistent whole—and that work was consummated by the former which had been begun by the latter.

The government, under the constitution, was conducted upon these principles, and the sentiments and policy theretofore existing, still prevailed—slavery in the territories was prohibited—the slave trade was denounced as piracy and interdicted, and the congress, in repeated instances, interposed to prevent the extension of slavery into free territory.

The judiciary of the country, both federal and state, was in harmony with the legislation and policy of the nation, and uniformly held that slavery was against national right, and existed only by force of positive law, was necessarily local in its character, and that the master lost all right of control over, or interest in, the slave, when once voluntarily carried beyond the local jurisdiction.

By the force of these sentiments and opinions, acting upon the public judgment and conscience, slavery receded from seven of the thirteen original states, and struggled for a precarious existence in a portion of the remaining states. A new government policy is now demanded, founded upon new interpretations of the constitution in regard to negro slavery. The paternal policy of the nation is denounced as unjust and illiberal, unconstitutional and illegal.

The statesmanship of the early days of the republic took cognizance of the fact that two races of men were here, the subjects of government and civilization—that one was the dominant race, whose was the duty of governing and guiding; and it did not hesitate to declare those principles of personal freedom which are equally the rights of all, and sought wisely to guide the destinies of both in the light of these principles.

The statesmanship of to-day ignores these self-evident truths—sees the two races confront each other upon the same soil, but holds that one has no rights that the other is bound to respect—asserts a principle which gives him no right to govern but the accident of present power, and thus seeks to bind up the destinies of both with the degradation of the black race.

The difference in the two systems is radical and infinite. The latter, it is needless to say, is repugnant to our theory of government. It is too absurd for argument and too offensive for discussion.

The first systematic attempt to reduce the new dogmas to practice, through the administration of the government and federal legislation, was made in the repeal of the Missouri restriction.

The object of this repeal is now declared by one of its supporters to have been "to put the slavery question upon some common ground where a party could be rallied strong enough to administer the government justly upon other than purely sectional ideas—to remove the ban under which the domestic institutions of the south had been placed by federal legislation"—and "although not all the south was entitled to, it was a great advance upon the old order of things, because it removed an unjust and odious discrimination against her domestic institutions from the statute book, a moral triumph which was of vast importance to the south and to the institution of slavery itself."

The object and import of that measure, thus declared, have, by subsequent events, become obvious to all. It was the beginning of attempts to revolutionize the federal legislation and policy of the country upon the subject of slavery—to remove the interdiction under which slavery had been placed by that legislation, and by positive negation of power in congress, remove all obstacles to expansion and open the way for the novel idea, recently set up, that "the compromises of the constitution" include the recognition of slavery as an institution of the states, entitled to protection, and guarantee of property in slaves as an eminent trait of nationality.

"Squatter sovereignty," the pretext for repeal, is illustrated by civil war and disorder—the will of the people set at defiance by armed bands of men alien to the territory—national strife, contest to determine whether liberty or slavery shall possess the country once pledged to free labor, and fashion the institutions which are about to spring up there, in which slavery and the national administration rule the hour against freedom and free men—slavery established in Kansas, the people struggling and in arms to resist it, and at last the fundamental principles of self-government, popular sovereignty itself, denied, and the national administration engaged in efforts to force upon the state a constitution against the known will of the people. A portion of the federal judges, in harmony with the general design, utter the dicta that "the constitution of the United States recognizes property in slaves, and pledges the federal government to protect it, and that congress has no right to prohibit the slaveholder from taking his slaves into the territories."

The president of the United States unofficially declares and assumes that slavery exists in Kansas under the constitution—that this point has at last been settled by the highest tribunal known to our laws, and that it "is mysterious that it ever could have been seriously doubted."

Thus, in quick and rapid succession, a revolution is attempted in the legislative, judicial and executive departments of the government, and would now be complete and thorough, but for the extra judicial and extra official quality of the acts. It remains for the people of the free states to determine whether this important change in the constitution and theory of the government shall be consummated—whether by novel and forced constructions the constitution shall be made to guarantee property in slaves in the states and territories, the character of slavery changed from a local to a national institution, and thus brought in contact with free labor and free men.

No patriot in the land is without his regrets at the sectional strife stirred up by these aggressions, and no patriot but must feel that great evils are struggling for perpetuity in the nation, and that their influences, unchecked, will determine the character of the coming ages of the republic; and no patriot but that must feel a stern purpose within him to resist them.

The nation had witnessed the expansion of slavery in the south with comparative composure, as it was maintained that the impulse which pervaded the slave states for new fields for slave labor, would vent itself in the low latitudes; that slavery would recede from the northern slave states, and leave the free states to quiet self-development, in the free states and territories, their system of free labor relieved from the contamination of slave labor. Not so. With each new accession they become more arrogant and exacting—instead of obedience to the laws of climate, within which it was thought to move, and subject to which it was asserted it must hold its empire on this continent, experience proves that the law of its life is violence—that it forges its fetters with equal facility in Kansas or the Carolinas—mocks free labor as illegitimate in a republican government, and asserts itself the normal condition of labor—pushes its aggressions over broken compromises into territories pledged to free labor, amid civil war-demanding not only the right of expansion into all the territories, but the constitutional recognition and guarantee as property in the nation.

The free states can never yield to these demands; they are incompatible with the essential element of their prosperity, free labor. They are repugnant to their settled opinions and sentiments. The free states hold to the right of every one of its laborers to his wages, of every innocent man to his person; and they will suffer no contamination from contact with slavery forced upon them by distorted views of the constitution. They are not at issue with the slave states, because slavery is one of their institutions, but because they seek to make it an institution of the nation. When by offensive repeal, by forced interpretation, by violence, they attempt to force upon the free states, what they know to be regarded as an enormous wrong, and fatal to their industry, it should excite no surprise that all such attempts are met with stern and solemn remonstrance and determined resistance.

Slavery agitation rages not from the north, but from the south. The repose of the country was not disturbed by attempts from the north to subvert slavery in the slave states or invade its rights. If there be antagonism of opinion between the free and slave states, it has been produced by no movement of the former. It has been brought about by an obvious and conceded change of sentiments and opinions, purposes and designs, by the latter ; by which they force themselves into collision with the well known and long cherished sentiments and opinions of the free states, their interests and prosperity. If there be peril to our common country, it springs not now from any movements, nor from any want of appreciation of the value of the Union, from this quarter. Whoever has regrets that a sense of the sacredness of the Union and of the greatness of its blessings is faintly apprehended, will need to revert to events that are taking place in other quarters, and sentiments entertained elsewhere.

While the people of Maine will cultivate a spirit of kindness and forbearance towards every section of the common country, and will ever cherish sentiments of devotion to the Union, they will not fail to utter their solemn and earnest protest against the assumptions of the constitutional guarantee of property in slaves, and the indefeasible rights of alavery in the territories; and will remonstrate against the subversion of the powers of the national government to purposes of slavery extension and slavery perpetuation, and will resist, to the full extent of their constitutional powers, all attempts to force the domestic institution of the slave states into contact with free labor and free communities.

In conclusion, I pledge you my best efforts in the performance of the duties devolved upon me. I have entire confidence that your labors will be characterized by harmony, prudence and wisdom, and hope that the business of the session will result in the promotion of the interest and welfare of our beloved state.

The Governor and suite then retired and the Convention was dissolved.

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER and On motion of Mr. MILLIKEN of Camden,

Ordered, That the Governor be requested to furnish to the House of Representatives a copy of his Address to the two Houses.

Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. STRICKLAND of Bangor,

Ordered, That all petitions requiring order of notice presented after the first day of February next, be referred to the next Legislature, without debate.

Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. PRENTISS of Bangor,

Ordered, That when this House adjourn it adjourn to meet at two o'clock this afternoon.

On motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport,

A message was ordered to be conveyed to the Senate proposing a Convention of the two branches of the Legislature in the Hall of the House of Representatives at fifteen minutes past two o'clock this afternoon for the purpose of electing a Secretary of State, an Attorney General, an Adjutant General, and seven Councilors to advise with the Governor.

Mr. Woodman was charged with the message and he subsequently reported that he had performed the duty required of him.

A message was received from the Senate expressing the concurrence of that body in the proposition for a Convention this afternoon.

Adjourned until two o'clock this afternoon.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House convened at two o'clock and was called to order by the SPEAKER, and

On motion of Mr. BURBANK of Lewiston, it was ordered that the Clerk of the House cause to be prepared for the use of the House, lists of the Members of the House, arranged alphabetically, and according to the number of their seats, and according to their political classification, including their places of residence, post office address, and boarding places, and a diagram of the House of Representatives, and that five hundred copies of the same be printed.

Read and passed.

At fifteen minutes past two, being the time assigned, the Senate came in and a Convention was formed.

#### IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. RING of Washington,

Messrs. Ring of Washington, Berry of Kennebec, Miller of Portland, Ingalls of Bridgton, and Brown of Wilton, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Secretary of State, and having attended to that duty the Committee, through Mr. Ring, reported that the whole number of votes was one hundred and fiftynine, 159

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The report was accepted and NOAH SMITH, jr., was declared to be duly elected Secretary of State for the ensuing political year.

On motion of Mr. GODDARD of Cumberland,

A Committee of five was raised to receive, sort and count votes for Attorney General, and said Committee consisted of Messrs. Goddard of Cumberland, Sargent of Hancock, Kimball of Bethel, Rice of Hampden, and Clark of Wells.

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Having attend	ed to that	duty the	Committee	reported the	at the
whole number of	votes was			166	

Necessary to a choice,	84
Nathan D. Appleton had	136
George Evans "	30

and the name of James W. Webster for Adjutant General was found on one ballot but not counted as a vote. The report was accepted and NATHAN D. APPLETON declared to be elected Attorney General for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. McGILVERY of Waldo,

A Committee of seven was raised to receive, sort and count the votes for Adjutant General. The Committee consisted of Messrs. McGilvery of Waldo, Hobart of Washington, Kimball of Rumford, Snow of Atkinson, Shaw of Industry, McGlauffin of Charlotte, and Sanborn of Parsonsfield, and having attended to that duty the Committee reported that the whole number of votes was one hundred and sixty-nine, 169

Necessary to a choice,	85
James W. Webster had	139
Darius Alden "	30

The report was accepted and JAMES W. WEBSTER was declared to be elected Adjutant General for the ensuing political year.

On motion of Mr. JONES of York,

A Committee of seven was raised to receive, sort and count the votes for seven Executive Councillors, and Messrs. Jones of York, Connor of Somerset, Hall of Gorham, Chick of Madrid, Pierce of Kittery, Jones of Bristol, and Clement of Palmyra, were appointed said Committee.

Having attended to their duty the Committee reported that the whole number of votes was 168

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Benjamin Freeman h	ad		136
George Pierce	"		136
William M. Reed	"		136
Dennis L. Milliken	"		136
William Merriam	"	•	136

Aaron A. Wing ha	d	135
James S. Hall "		136
Israel Chadbourne "		32
Theophilus W. Stanle	e <b>y</b> had	32
William Buxton	c 6	32
Jeremiah Foster	"	<b>32</b>
Moses R. Ludwig	"	<b>32</b>
Francis G. Butler	"	32
Samuel S. Heagan	"	32
T. W. Stanley	"	1

The report was accepted and Messrs. Benjamin Freeman, George Pierce, William M. Reed, Dennis L. Milliken, William Merriam, Aaron A. Wing, and James S. Hall, having severally received a majority of the votes cast, were declared to be duly elected as the Councillors of the Governor for the current political year.

The Convention was then dissolved and the House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

On motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport,

Ordered, That until otherwise ordered, the House will meet on each Monday at eleven o'clock A. M.

Mr. COMSTOCK of Lubec, introduced the following order which upon his motion was laid on the table :

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be requested to furnish to each Member of the present House of Representatives, as soon as convenient, a copy of the public Acts and Resolves passed by the last Legislature, not including the Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta,

Ordered, That when the House adjourn it adjourn to meet tomorrow morning at eleven o'clock.

Adjourned.

ATTEST :

#### GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

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Prayer by the Rev. Mr. HANSON of Gardiner.

A communication was received from the Senate from Benjamin Freeman, George Pierce, D. L. Milliken, William M. Reed, Aaron A. Wing, and James S. Hall, signifying from those gentlemen their acceptance of the office of Executive Councillors, to which they had been elected.

Mr. MORRISON of Farmington, introduced the following order :

Ordered, That a Joint Select Committee consisting of seven on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, be appointed to contract with a person or persons to do the State Printing and Binding for the current political year.

The foregoing order was on motion of Mr. Woodman of Bucksport, laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate proposing a Joint Convention this day at fifteen minutes before twelve o'clock, in this Hall, for the purpose of qualifying the Executive Councillors who have signified their acceptance of the office to which they have been elected. Read and passed, and the Clerk was charged with the message. He subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him.

A message was received from the Senate through its Secretary, informing the House of the concurrence of the Senate in a proposition for a Convention at fifteen minutes before twelve this day for the purpose of qualifying such of the Executive Councillors as have signified their acceptance.

On motion of Mr. HANSON of Gardiner,

Ordered, That the Committee on printing be instructed to report any proposals received by them to this House before accepting the same.

This order was on motion of Mr. HANSON, laid on the table.

The SPEAKER announced the Standing Committees of the House, in part, as follows:

Committee on Elections.

Messrs. Tapley of Saco, Moor of Ellsworth, Pierce of Kittery, Pattee of Fort Fairfield, Porter of Sebago, Blaisdell of Frankfort, Comstock of Lubec.

Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Messrs. Clark of Wells, Hall of Gorham, Rice of Hampden, Lane of Poland, Tillson of Rockland, Milliken of Camden, Marcyes of Eden.

Committee on Finance.

Messrs. Pike of Calais, Miller of Portland, Ingalls of Bridgton, Strickland of Bangor, Libbey of Molunkus, Banks of Biddeford, Porter of Lowell.

Committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Messrs. Marshall of Belfast, Johnson of Augusta, Buxton of Warren, Woodman of Bucksport, Boody of Brunswick, Dane of Portland, Snow of Atkinson.

On motion of Mr. MOOR of Ellsworth,

Ordered, That the credentials of the Members of the House of Representatives be taken from the files and referred to the Committee on Elections.

Read and passed.

At the hour assigned the Senate came in and a Convention was formed.

## IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. DAVIS of the Senate,

The Secretary of the Convention was charged with a message to the Councillors elect who had signified their acceptance of election, that the Legislature was in session in the Hall of the House of Representatives for the purpose of administering to them the oaths of office required by the Constitution to enable them to enter upon their official duties.

The Secretary of the Convention reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him, and that the Councillors elect were pleased to say that they would forthwith be in attendance upon the Convention for the purposes indicated in the message.

Whereupon, Benjamin Freeman, George Pierce, William M. Reed, Dennis L. Milliken, Aaron A. Wing, and James S. Hall, Councillors elect, attended by the Members of the Council and Heads of Departments, came into the Convention and in the presence of the two branches of the Legislature and before the President of the Senate, severally took and subscribed the oaths required by law to enable them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

The Councillors then retired from the Convention, which was then dissolved.

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

Mr. COMSTOCK of Lubec, introduced the following order :

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be requested to furnish to those Members of the present House of Representatives who were not Members of the last Legislature, one copy each of the Revised Statutes of this State, and if the Secretary has not a sufficient number of copies to supply the new Members, that he be and hereby is authorized to procure the same at his earliest convenience and cause them to be distributed among the new Members as above directed.

Mr. HANSON of Gardiner, moved to amend the order as per sheet A, and Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, moved to amend the amendment as per sheet B, sheets annexed, and on motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, the order and amendments were laid upon the table.

A message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Jones of York, announcing to the House of Representatives the decease of the Hon. CHARLES P. CHANDLER, a Senator elect from the tenth Senatorial District.

Mr. PRENTISS of Bangor, addressed the House upon the character of the deceased.

On motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, the House adjourned.

ATTEST:

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

### MONDAY, JANUARY 11, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. BEAN of Augusta.

A communication was received from B. D. Peck, Esq., Treasurer of State, transmitting the annual statement and account of the receipts and expenditures of all the public money for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1857.

Mr. BUCK of Oldtown, introduced the following order :

Ordered, That the fortieth rule of the Rules and Orders of this House as adopted from last session be amended by striking out the words, "6th, To postpone to a day certain," and insert the same next after, "for the previous question," so the rule will read, as amended,

"When a question is under debate no motion shall be received but

First-To adjourn ;

Second—To lie on the table;

Third—For the previous question;

Fourth—To postpone to a day certain;

Fifth-To commit;

Sixth—To amend,;

Seventh-To postpone indefinitely;

Which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are arranged."

Read and referred to the House Committee on Rules and Orders.

On motion of Mr. BUXTON of Warren, -

The order introduced Saturday last by Mr. Comstock of Lubec, was taken from the table, and Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, withdrew the motion for an amendment to the amendment moved by the gentleman from Gardiner. Mr. ROWELL of Hallowell, moved an amendment to the amendment of the gentleman from Gardiner, as per sheet C, and the motion to amend the amendment prevailed and amendment A, as amended, was adopted, and on motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais, the further consideration of the order was indefinitely postponed. · Order from the Senate.

Ordered, That a Joint Select Committee be appointed to examine the Treasurer's accounts and settle the same. This order came from the Senate, having been read and passed, and Messrs. Thomas of Cumberland, Dane of York, and Hobart of Washington, appointed said Committee on the part of the Senate. The order was passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Pike of Calais, Miller of Portland, Ingalls of Bridgton, Strickland of Bangor, Libbey of Molunkus, Banks of Biddeford, and Porter of Lowell, were joined to said Committee on the part of the House.

A communication was received from the Hon. WILLIAM MER-RIAM, signifying his acceptance of the office of Councillor to which he had been elected.

On motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate proposing a Convention of the two Houses in this Hall, at half-past twelve this day, for the purpose of qualifying Hon. WILLIAM MERRIAM, Councillor elect.

• Read and passed, and the Clerk of the House was charged with the message. He subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him.

A message was received from the Senate through its Secretary, informing the House that the Senate concurred in the proposition for a Convention to-day at half-past twelve o'clock, for the purpose of qualifying the Hon. WILLIAM MERRIAM, Councillor elect.

On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Pay Roll be directed to make up the pay of H. B. Trafton, for ten days attendance and travel, as assistant Messenger.

Read and passed.

Order from the Senate in relation to bill entitled "An act to provide for the equitable distribution of the estates of insolvent debtors," referred by the last Legislature to this. This order came from the Senate, referring the Bill to a Joint Select Committee consisting of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join. On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, the order was laid upon the table.

Order from the Senate.

Ordered, That a Joint Select Committee consisting of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to receive proposals for doing the printing and binding for the State, and to enter into a contract with some person or persons for its performance, subject to approval and ratification by the Legislature. This order came from Senate, having been read and passed, and Messrs. Jones of York, Goddard of Cumberland, and Burpee of Lincoln, were appointed said Committee on the part of the Senate. The order was passed in concurrence. and Messrs. Morrison of Farmington, Milliken of Camden, Deane of Portland, Drummond of Winslow, Hale of Norridgewock, Pattee of Fort Fairfield, and Hagar of Richmond, were joined to said Committee on the part of the House.

A communication was received from the Hon. NOAH SMITH, jr., signifying his acceptance of the office of the Secretary of State, to which he had been elected.

The SPEAKER announced the Standing Committees of the House in part as follows :

#### Committee on County Estimates.

Messrs. Morrison of Farmington, Knapp of East Livermore, Judkins of No. 7, R. 3, Percy of Woolwich, Keene of Columbia, Tibbetts of Lovell, Hale of Norridgewock.

#### Committee on Pay Roll.

Messrs. Davis of Fairfield, Bunker of Corinna, Skillin of North Yarmouth,

#### MONDAY, JANUARY 11.

Brown of Wilton, Shaw of Industry, Fuller of Freedom, Cunningham of Edgecomb.

Committee on Leave of Absence. Messrs. Pike of Eastport, Smith of Litchfield, Longfellow of Whitefield, Bailey of Auburn, Swett of York, Shaw of Troy, Bucknam of Yarmouth.

Committee on Change of Names.

Messrs. Kimball of Bethel, Pettengill of Wayne,

Palmer of Exeter.

At the hour assigned the Senate came in and a Convention was formed.

# IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. BURPEE of the Senate,

The Secretary of the Convention was charged with a message to William Merriam, Esq., informing him that the two branches of the Legislature were now assembled in Convention in the Hall of the House of Representatives for the purpose of administering to him the oaths of office required by law to qualify him for the office to which he had been elected.

The Secretary subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him, and that the Councillor elect was pleased to say that he would forthwith be in attendance upon the Convention for the purpose indicated in the message from the Convention.

Whereupon, William Merriam, Esq., attended by the Members of the Executive Council, came into the Convention and in presence

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of both Houses of the Legislature, and before the President of the Senate, took and subscribed the oaths necessary to enable him to enter upon the performance of his official duty.

The Council then retired. The Convention was dissolved and the House called to order by the SPEAKER.

A message was received from the Senate through its Secretary announcing that a vacancy existed in the tenth Senatorial District, and proposing a Convention of the two Houses of the Legislature in the Hall of the House of Representatives, at eleven o'clock to-morrow, to fill said vacancy. The House concurred in the proposition of the Senate for a Convention, and the Clerk was charged with a message to that branch conveying the information. He subsequently reported that he had performed that duty.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. DEXTER of Augusta.

Mr. MARSHALL of Belfast, presented the County Estimates for the County of Waldo, and on his motion they were referred to the Committee on County Estimates.

The same gentleman presented the remonstrance of Stephen S. Gerrish against the right of Alonzo B. Shaw to hold a seat in this House as a Representative from the district composed of the towns of Troy, Unity and Burnham, which was referred to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. PRENTIŚS of Bangor, presented the petition of Isaac M. Bragg of Bangor, for a dam on the east branch of Mattawamkeag; and he also presented the petition of Rufus Dwinal of Bangor, for an extension of time to cut timber on one-half of township No. 4, Range 4. These petitions were laid on the table on motion of Mr. PRENTISS.

A communication was received from JAMES W. WEBSTER, Esq., signifying his acceptance of the office of Adjutant General to which he had been elected.

Mr. HAGAR of Richmond, presented the petition of R. H. and M. F. Kerr, for change of name. Referred to the Committee on change of names.

On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta,

The Senate order in relation to referring Bill an act to provide for the equitable distribution of the estates of Insolvent Debtors, was taken from the table and passed in concurrence, and Messrs Gilbert of Bath, Bowen of Portland, Woodbury of Houlton, Buck of Oldtown, Knapp of East Livermore, Weeks of Vassalborough, and Comstock of Lubec, were joined to said Committee on the part of the House. Order from the Senate.

Ordered, That there be appointed a Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, to examine the papers and files of the last Legislature referred to the present, and report what disposition ought to be made of the same. This order came from the Senate having been read and passed, and Messrs. McGilvery, Sargent and Hoyt, were appointed said Committee on the part of the Senate. The order was passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Woodman of Bucksport, Chadbourne of Standish, Porter of Sebago, Flye of Newcastle, Clement of Palmyra, Milliken of Camden, and Clark of Wells, were joined to said Committee on the part of the House.

Mr. HANSON of Gardiner, introduced the following order, which on his motion was laid on the table:

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee be directed to enquire into the propriety of repealing Section 5, Chapter 59 of the Revised Statutes, said provision requiring publication of marriage intentions.

At the hour assigned the Senate came in and a Convention was formed.

#### IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. Carlton of the Senate,

A Committee of seven was raised to receive, sort and count the votes for Senator to fill the vacancy existing in the tenth Senatorial District, caused by the death of the Hon. CHARLES P. CHANDLER. The Committee consisted of Messrs. Carlton of Lincoln, Hobbs of Waldo, Lane of Poland, Chick of Madrid, Smith of Litchfield, Wing of Searsmont, and Rideout of Cumberland.

The Committee having attended to the duty assigned them, reported through their Chairman, Mr. Carlton of Lincoln, that the whole number of votes thrown was 158

Necessary to a choice,	80
Andrew Wiggin had	115
William Oakes had	43

The report was accepted and ANDREW WIGGIN was declared to be duly elected as Senator from the tenth Senatorial District for the current political year. The Convention was dissolved and the House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

On motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport,

Ordered, That the Joint Select Committee on printing and binding be directed to examine and report what retrenchment may be had in the matter of printing and binding. The printing of what reports, journals, pamphlets, &c., may without detriment to the public interest be dispensed with, and whether in other cases their contents may not be materially condensed.

Read and passed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Buxton of Warren,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Printing be directed to enquire into the expediency of authorizing the Heads of the various Departments to make contracts for the printing in their several departments.

Read and passed and sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

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### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. BLAKE of Gardiner.

Mr. HOLT of Turner, was, on his own motion, excused from service as monitor of the Seventh Division, and Mr. CONANT of Appleton was appointed in his stead.

Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, Chairman of the Committee on Rules and Orders for the government of the House, made a report thereon, to which report Mr. BUCK of Oldtown, moved an amendment as per sheet A annexed. On motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath, the report and proposed amendment were laid on the table.

Mr. BOODY of Brunswick, presented the petition of Frederick Cabot and als., to be empowered to carry on business under the name of the Cabot Manufacturing Company. This petition was accompanied by a Bill, and the Bill and petition were, on motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, laid upon the table.

A message was received from the Governor, through the Secretary of State, transmitting a copy of his message to the Legislature upon the 8th inst., and on motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, it was laid upon the table.

Mr. BICKNELL of Augusta, presented the petition of Emma Gilpatric, for change of name, and the same on his motion was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Report of the Committee on Joint Rules and Orders. This Report was made in the Senate and came to the House, having been read and accepted.

Read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee appointed to examine and settle the Treasurer's Accounts. This Report was made in the Senate and came to the House having been read and accepted.

Read and accepted in concurrence.

The Joint Standing Committee, provided for by the Rules and

Orders, were received from the Senate and having been joined on the part of the House are as follows :

## Joint Standing Committees.

The presiding officers yesterday announced the Standing Committee as follows :

On the Judiciary. Messrs. Goddard, Concere Constantinuples Chapman, Land Connet 63, 64 Fletcher, of the Senate; Capt 21et 19

Messrs. Woodman of Bucksport, Gilbert of Bath, French of Damariscotta, Ind Auditor U.S. Theas Buxton of Warren, Staffers 5th, Rug Prentiss of Bangor, Pike of Calais, W.C. Tapley of Saco, of the House. Col 27th My

On Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Messrs. Ring, Davis,

Burpee, of the Senate;

Messrs. Kingsbury of Kennebunk, Miller of Portland, Could Inter Rear Wing of Searsmont, Kimball of Bethel, Conant of Appleton, Marcyes of Eden, Libbey of Molunkus, of the House. 4 On Education.

Messrs. Hoyt, Wasson, Twitchell, of the Senate ;

Messrs. Boody of Brunswick, Morrison of Farmington, Davis of Fairfield, Deane of Portland, Hobbs of Waterford, Moore of Limerick, Snow of Atkinson, of the House.

On Banks and Banking.

Messrs. Dane, Thomas,

Connor, of the Senate; Messrs. Marshall of Belfast, Cord The dast Bowen of Portland, Hagar of Richmond, Banks of Biddeford, Clark of Pittston, Tillson of Rockland, Brig Him M. Many Pierce of Kittery, of the House.

On Divisions of Counties.

Messrs. Hobbs, Stinchfield, Wing, of the Senate; Messrs. Milliken of Camden, Contraction, Statuto Jones of Bristol, Sanborn of Parsonsfield, Quint of Bowdoinham, Sally of Madison, Bailey of Auburn, Nutting of Parkman, of the House. On State Lands and State Roads. Messrs. Hamlin, U.S. Office Wasson, Berry, of the Senate; P. The Gamerican Messrs. Strickland of Bangor, Woodbury of Houlton, Spectrum Moor of Ellsworth, Boody of Brunswick, Merrill of Williamsburgh, Parsons of Eustis Plantation, Spooner of New Portland, of the House.

# On the Militia. .

Messrs. Wing, Berry, Goddard, of the Senate ;

Messrs. Tillson of Rockland, Hall of N. Berwick, Prentiss of Bangor, Burbank of Lewiston, Leighton of Steuben, Mayberry of Casco, Tibbetts of Lovell, of the House.

## On Military Pensions.

Messrs. Twitchell, Burbank, McClusky, of the Senate; Col. 15 The Ref.

Messrs. Knapp of East Livermore, Kingsbury of Waldo, Bean of Brownfield, Sawyer of Baldwin, Palmer of Albion, Walsh of Thomaston, Swett of York, of the House. On Incorporation of Towns.

Messrs. Carleton,

Plaisted, Wiggin, of the Senate;

Messrs. Pattee of Fort Fairfield, Whitney of Raymond, Wasson of Brooksville, Ranney of Winn, McGlauflin of Charlotte, Waterhouse of Lyman,

Andrews of No. 2 Pleasant Ridge, of the House.

On Division of Towns.

Messrs. Chapman, Woodbury, Sargent, of the Senate;

Messrs. Hobbs of Waterford, Davis of Buxton, Case of Readfield, Parker of Dedham, Coffin of Shapleigh, Foss of Leeds, Smith of Otisfield, of the House.

On the Insane Hospital.

Messrs. Burbank, Jones, Wiggin, of the Senate;

Messrs. Sweat of Limington, Rowell of Hallowell, Bunker of Corinna, Roak of Durham, York of Jackson, Libbey of Machiasport, Rideout of Cumberland, of the House.

### On the State Reform School.

Messrs. Jones,

West, McGilvery, of the Senate;

Messrs. French of Damariscotta, Brackett of Westbrook, Drummond of Winslow, Kimball of Rumford, Blaisdell of Frankfort, Burbank of Lewiston, Porter of Lowell, of the House.

### On Indian Affairs.

Messrs. Hobart, Hobbs, Stinchfield, of the Senate;

Messrs. Buck of Oldtown, Hersey of Pembroke, Wheeler of Greenfield, Smith of Litchfield, Mitchell of Washington, Fuller of Freedom, Skillins of North Yarmouth, of the House.

### On Agriculture.

Messrs. Lothrop, Berry, Woodbury, of the Senate;

Messrs. Hall of Gorham, Field of Danville, Goodale of Orrington, Skinner of St. Albans, Longfellow of Whitefield, Dunn of Milton Plantation, Bachelder of Kenduskeag, of the House.

## On Fisheries.

Messrs. Sargent, McGilvery, Hamlin, of the Senate;

Messrs. Fisher of Boothbay, Gilkey of Islesborough, Comstock of Lubec, Percy of Woolwich, Trussell of St. George, Babbidge of Deer Isle, Barton of Windsor, of the House.

On Manufactures.

Messrs. West, Dane, Wing, of the Senate;

Messrs. Banks of Biddeford, Heald of Norridgewock, Weeks of Vassalborough, Sargent of Brookline, Balch of Waldoborough, Stockbridge of Freeport, Merrithew of Searsport, of the House.

On Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Messrs. Thomas, Fletcher, Hoyt, of the Senate,

Messrs. Bicknell of Augusta, Pike of Calais, Strickland of Bangor, Clark of Wells, Mayo of Orono, Arnold of Skowhegan, Chick of Madrid, of the House.

# On Interior Waters.

Messrs. Connor, Stinchfield, Carleton, of the Senate;

Messrs. Kimball of Athens, Lane of Poland, Rogers of Stetson, Cowell of Lebanon, Ingalls of Bridgton, Sherman of Sidney, Brewn of Wilton, of the House.

## On Accounts.

Messrs. Burpee, Hobart, Jones, of the Senate;

Messrs. Flye of Newcastle, Porter of Sebago, Pratt of Oxford, Pike of Topsfield, Clement of Palmyra, Hill of Sullivan, Palmer of Exeter, of the House.

On Claims.

Messrs. Woodbury, Lothrop, West, of the Senate;

Messrs. Loring of Guilford, Stanley of Dixfield, Perkins of Kennebunkport, Parkes of Clifton, Pike of Eastport,

Wadlin of Northport, Shaw of Industry, of the House.

## On the State Prison.

Messrs. Berry, Burpee, Ring, of the Senate; Messrs. Moor of Ellsworth,

Rice of Hampden,
Holt of Turner,
Estes of Woodstock,
Davis of Buxton,
Chadbourne of Standish,
Oliver of Georgetown, of the House.

On Public Buildings.

Messrs. Berry, McClusky, Plaisted, of the Senate;

Messrs. Hanson of Gardiner, Rackliffe of Wesley, Plummer of Lisbon, Chadbourne of Dixmont, Keene of Columbia, Cunningham of Edgecomb, Kingsbury of Bradford, of the House.

#### On the Library.

Messrs. Davis, Carleton, Twitchell, of the Senaže;

Messrs. Johnson of Augusta, Deane of Portland, Buckman of Yarmouth, Shaw of Troy, Judkins of No. 7, R. 3, Maddocks of Hermon, Parkes of South Berwick, of the House. Bill An act relating to the city of Bath, introduced by Mr. GIL-BERT of Bath, and on his motion it was laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate proposing a Convention of the two Houses in this Hall this day at half-past eleven o'clock for the purpose of choosing a Land Agent and Treasurer of State. The order passed, the Clerk was charged with and conveyed the message to the Senate.

A message was received from the Senate through its Secretary, announcing that the Senate concurred in the proposition of the House for a Convention this day at half-past eleven o'clock, to elect a Land Agent and Treasurer.

On motion of Mr. MILLIKEN of Camden,

Ordered, That two thousand copies of the Governor's Message be printed for the use of the House.

Bill An act to amend Chapter 82, Section 83 of the Revised Statutes, so as to restore the former law allowing executors and administrators as well as other parties to be witnesses. Introduced by Mr. PRENTISS of Bangor, and on his motion referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Edward Fox, and others, for increase of the salary of the Recorder of the Municipal Court of the city of Portland. Presented by Mr. DEANE of Portland, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. KIMBALL of Bethel, presented the petition of Thomas S. Bartlett, for change of name. Referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. BOWEN of Portland,

Ordered, That the use of the Hall of the House of Representatives be granted to the State Temperance Society for the purpose of holding a Convention this afternoon and evening.

Read and passed.

### On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta,

Ordered, That the papers in the case of Josiah P. Bean who applies for remuneration for injuries sustained in the service of the State, be taken from the files and referred to the Committee on claims.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill An act to incorporate the Cabot Manufacturing Company was taken from the table and on motion of Mr. BOODY of Brunswick, it was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Sent up for concurrence.

At the hour assigned the Senate came in and a Convention was formed.

# IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. CHAPMAN of the Senate,

A Committee of seven was raised to receive, sort and count votes for Treasurer of State. Messrs. Chapman of Lincoln, Twitchell of Oxford, French of Damariscotta, Drummond of Winslow, Walch of Thomaston, Prentiss of Bangor, and Swett of York, were appointed said Committee. Having attended to their duty the Committee reported that the whole number of votes was 158

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Isaac Reed,	"	-	28

The Report was accepted and BENJAMIN D. PECK declared to be duly elected Treasurer of the State of Maine for the current political year!

On motion of Mr. BERRY of the Senate,

A Committee of seven was raised to receive, sort and count votes for Land Agent. Messrs. Berry of Kennebec, Wasson of Hancock, Johnson of Augusta, Flye of Newcastle, Ingalls of Bridgton, Hobbs of Waterford, and Moor of Ellsworth, were appointed said Committee. Having attended to the duty assigned them, the Committee reported that the whole number of votes was 166

Necessary to a choice,	84
Noah Barker had	<b>1</b> 36

James Walker had

The Report was accepted and NOAH BARKER was declared to be duly elected Land Agent for the State of Maine for the current political year.

The Convention was dissolved. The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

On motion of Mr. MOOR of Ellsworth,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Insane Hospital be instructed to consider the expediency of amending Section 13 of Chapter 143 of the Revised Statutes, providing partially for the support of paupers, so that the entire support of such persons shall be charged to the State.

Read and passed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. FISHER of Boothbay,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be directed to place in the hands of the Clerk, fifteen copies of the Revised Statutes for the use of this House, as provided in the order of distribution of last year to be returned to the Library at the end of the session, and the Clerk be directed to have printed or stamped on the cover on both sides of the book the words, "House of Representatives."

Read and passed.

The order introduced January 8, by Mr. COMSTOCK of Lubec, in relation to Public Acts and Resolves, was taken from the table, considered, and on motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, was laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. PARSONS of Eustis Plantation,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to enquire into the expediency of passing an act directing the assessors of Jackson and Eustis plantations to settle with the former treasurer of Jackson plantation, and to distribute any money in their hands between the two plantations in the proportion of the number of scholars in each plantation.

Read and passed and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Rufus Dwinel was taken from the table, referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

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Petition of Isaac M. Bragg was taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Sent up for concurrence.

The order introduced yesterday by Mr. HANSON of Gardiner, was, on his motion, taken from the table.

Read and passed and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. GILBERT of Bath, presented the petition of the Stockholders of the City Bank, Bath, for a reduction of their capital stock. Referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. WOODBURY of Houlton, presented the petition of C. F. A. Johnson and twenty-two others, praying for an act of incorporation. Referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. MERRILL of Williamsburgh, presented the petition of the Selectmen of Sebec, praying that their doing as assessors may be made valid. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. BOODY of Brunswick, presented the petition of the Faculty of the Medical College for aid in the erection of a Medical College.

Also the petitions of

S. W. Chase and others of Passadumkeag;
Allen Rogers and others of Hampden;
E. C. Hyde and others of Freeport;
Allen Blossom and others of Boothbay;
J. S. Tobey and others of Athens;
M. Hawkes and others of Belfast;
G. W. Turner and others of Sumner;
A. P. Snow and others of Bucksport;
Hollis Monroe and others of Belfast;
John Ricker and others of Orono;
G. W. Ricker and others of Jefferson;
Gilman Davis and others of \_\_\_\_\_;

Petition of T. J. Stockbridge and others of Bath; all in aid of the petition of the Faculty of the Medical College.

The foregoing petitions were severally received and on motion of Mr. BOODY they were referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

Attest :

# GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

## THURSDAY, JANUARY 14, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. SMITH of Litchfield.

On motion of Mr. MAYO of Orono,

Ordered, That the Land Agent be directed to make monthly settlements with the Treasurer and to pay over all money received by him to the Treasurer, at the end of each month. This order was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill An act to incorporate the City of Bath, was taken from the table on motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath, and on motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, it was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. MERRILL of Williamsburg, laid upon the table the following order which upon his motion was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence :

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads be requested to enquire into the expediency of authorizing by law the sale of the State's interests in all the townships purchased by the State in 1853, on which limited permits for cutting the timber were granted by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to individuals prior to said purchase in 1853.

On motion of Mr. MILLIKEN of Camden,

Ordered, That so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the Militia be referred to the Committee on Militia.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HALL of Gorham,

Ordered, That so much of the Governor's Message as relates to Agriculture be referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. FRENCH of Damariscotta,

Ordered, That so much of the Governor's Message as relates to

the State Reform School be referred to the Committee on the State Reform School.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BOWEN of Portland,

Ordered, That so much of the Governor's Message as relates to Banks be referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HANSON of Gardiner,

Ordered, That so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the subject of Slavery be referred to a Joint Select Committee on Federal Relations. Read and passed, and Messrs. Hanson of Gardiner, Prentiss of Bangor, Marshall of Belfast, Porter of Lowell, Kingsbury of Kennebunk, Pratt of Oxford, and Skillin of North Yarmouth, were appointed said Committee on the part of the House.

Mr. HANSON of Gardiner, laid upon the table Bill An act to incorporate the Trustees of the Charity Fund of the Maine Convention of Universalists, which on his motion was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. DUNN of Milton plantation, laid upon the table the following order and bill which upon his motion was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence :

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be requested to examine into the propriety of enacting a law to prevent litigation between towns in regard to the settlement of paupers, as set forth in the bill herewith submitted. The title of the bill is, Bill An act to prevent difficulty between towns in regard to paupers.

On motion of Mr. STRICKLAND of Bangor,

Ordered, That so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the State Lands and to the settlement of Aroostook County, be referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to enquire and report what amendment, if any, is necessary to Section 18, Chapter 66 of the second revision of the Revised Statutes, relating to claims not presented against insolvent estates.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport,

Ordered, That so much of the Governor's Message as relates to costs in criminal prosecutions, be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. HALE of Norridgewock, presented the County Estimates of the County of Somerset, and on his motion they were referred to the Committee on County Estimates.

On motion of Mr. BOODY of Brunswick,

Ordered, That so much of the Governor's Message as relates to education, be referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. ROWELL of Hallowell,

Ordered, That so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the Insane Hospital, be referred to the Committee on the Insane Hospital.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BOODY of Brunswick,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Reform School be instructed to enquire whether any, and if so, what reductions may be made in the expenses of said institution without impairing the usefulness thereof. Also, to enquire into the expediency of changing the expense of supporting the inmates of the school upon the several cities and towns in which they reside at the period of their commitment, and report by bill or otherwise.

Read and passed, and sent up for conurrence.

Bill An act for the relief of poor debtors, additional to the 113th Chapter of the Revised Statutes. Laid on the table by Mr. GIL-BERT of Bath, and on his motion referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Claim of the treasurer of the town of Norway, claim of the trea-

surer of Plantation Letter B, Oxford County, and claim of the treasurer of the town of Cutler, for bounty paid on Wild Animals. Severally referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Sent up for concurrence.

A communication was received from the Treasurer of State, laying before the Legislature sundry claims filed in his office for allowance for bounties on Wild Animals, which were severally referred... to the Committee on Accounts.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of S. H. Parsons and 33 others of the town of West Gardiner to be set off from said town and annexed to the city of Gardiner. This petition came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of the Trustees of Oak Grove Academy, for aid.

Petition of James Hartford and others of Brownville, asking for grant of land or money, in aid of East Maine Conference.

Petition of William Merriam and others, for same.

" of Edward Kent and others, for same.

" of Benjamin Rea and others, for same.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of John K. Killsa, for remuneration for expenses incurred by him in attending upon a Member of the House, while sick in 1849.

Petition of C. Crockett of Abbott, for remuneration for money paid and services rendered in the Aroostook expedition. These petitions were severally read and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Leroyed Hill and others of Ellsworth, for an act to protect the owners of grass land on the banks of Union River, from damages on account of logs being left thereon. Referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Sent up for concurrence.

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On motion of Mr. BURBANK of Lewiston,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education be instructed to enquire into the expediency of re-enacting the law of 1854, requiring the Superintending School Committees of the several cities and towns of this State to apportion ten cents of the sixty cents required to be raised by the second Section of Chapter 154 of the laws of 1854, among the districts in their several towns, cities and plantations in such manner as will in their judgment give the smaller districts a more equal opportunity of enjoying the benefits of Common School Education with the larger districts. Referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Rules and Orders for the government of the House was taken from the table, and the amendment offered by Mr. BUCK of Oldtown, was rejected, and the motion made by Mr. GILBERT of Bath, to strike out of said report the words, "Rule 50, omit," was passed and as amended the report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta,

Ordered, That six hundred copies of the Rules and Orders, with the Documents and Statistics which accompanied the printed Rules and Orders of the House of Representatives of 1857, be printed for the use of the House.

Read and passed.

Petition of M. J. Talbot and 14 others, for an alteration in the Constitution. Read and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the Directors of the Union Bank, praying for leave to reduce their capital stock. Referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the inhabitants of the town of Elliotsville, for repeal of incorporation. Referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Hervey Fletcher & Co., and others, for change in Inspection Laws. Referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Sent up for concurrence.

The order introduced by Mr. COMSTOCK of Lubec, in relation to the Public Acts and resolves, was taken from the table, considered, and again laid on the table.

Petition of Thomas M. Gray and others of Chelsea, to be set off from Chelsea and annexed to the town of Pittston.

Petition of Anthony Brackett, to be set off from Gorham and annexed to Standish.

Petition of J. Deveraux, to be set off from Cornish and annexed to Parsonsfield.

Petition of Benaiah Dow, to be set off from the town of Paris and annexed to the town of Woodstock.

Petition of David Wing and 43 others of Farmingdale, to be reannexed to the city of Gardiner.

Petition of John L. Copeland and others, to be set off from South Thomaston and annexed to Thomaston.

The foregoing petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

Claims of Freasurers of the following towns for bounties paid on Wild Animals, were severally referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Sent up for concurrence :

'Claim of the town of Guilford ;

"	<b>*</b> **	"	Houlton ;
"	" "	ن <del>يم</del> . د د	Bradford ;
46	plar	itation	n No. 7;
46	"	trea	surer of Orneville;
46	"	"	Cooper;
"	"	"	Lincoln ;
"	"	"	Brownville ;
"	"	**	La Grange;

Claim	of the	town o	f Mason ;
"	"	"	Topsfield ;
"	"	"	Wesley;
"	"	"	Charlotte ;
	"	"'	Parkman;
<b>66</b> .	"	"	Lowell;
"	"	"	Embden;
"	"	"	Weston;
"	" (	"	${f Amherst}$ ;
"	"	"	Woodstock ;
"	" "	"	Charleston ;
"	"	"	Byron;
"	" (	"	Detroit ;
٢	"	"	Mattawamkeag plantation;
"	"	"	Sebec;
"	"	"	Bancroft plantation;
"	"	"	Garland;
"	"	"	Marion ;
"	"	"	New Limerick ;
"	"	"	$\textbf{Belfast Academy Grant}_{\mathring{r}}$
"	"	"	Rangely;
"	"	"	Haynesville ;
"	"	"	Dead River;
"	"	"	Otis;
"	"		${\bf East \ Machias};$
"	"	"	Cambridge ;
"	"	"	Dover. ;
"	"	"	${f Gouldsborough}$ ;
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"	"	"	Milford;
"	"	" "	Moscow;
66	"	"	$\mathbf{Ripley}$ ;
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"	" "	"	Bowerbank ;
"	66-	"	Maxfield;
"	"	"	Andover;
ч	"	"	Lexington;

Claim	of the	town	of Aurora;
"	"	"	Bridgton ;
"	"	"	Amity;
"	"	"	Ellsworth;
"	"	"	Milo;
"	"	"	Elliotsville;
66	"	"	Northfield ;
	"	"	Enfield ;
"	"	"	Chester ;
"	"	"	Madrid ;
"	"	"	Cherryfield;
"	"	46	Shirley;
"	"	"	Concord;
"	"	"	Hodgdon.

On motion of Mr. BUCK of Oldtown,

Ordered, That a Committee of three be appointed on the part of this House, with such as the Senate may join, to enquire whether the State now has any special agent or commissioner at Washington under pay from the State to prosecute any claims against the general government. If so, who, on what conditions, for what objects, and its necessity, and report at their earliest convenience.

Read and passed, and Messrs. Buck of Oldtown, Roak of Durham, and Sweat of Limington, were appointed said Committee on the part of the House.

The Senate joined Messrs. Carleton of Lincoln, and Connor of Somerset.

Adjourned.

ATTEST :

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

# FRIDAY, JANUARY 15, 1858.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. HANSON of Gardiner.

Papers from the Senate.

A communication was received from NATHAN D. APPLETON, signifying his acceptance of the office of Attorney General.

Claim of the Treasurer of the town of Franklin, for bounty paid on Wild Animals, came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Referred in concurrence.

Bill An act entitled an act to enlarge the powers of school district No. 4, in Winthrop, came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on Education.

Referred in concurrence.

Orders from the Senate referring the Governor's Message to the Committee on Banks and Banking, to the Committee on Agriculture, to the Committee on Education, to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, were referred in concurrence.

Orders from the Senate referring the Report of the Trustees and Superintendent of the State Reform School and so much of the Governor's Message as relates to that Institution, to the Committee on the Reform School. And order referring Report of Trustees and Superintendent of the Insane Hospital, were received from the Senate and referred in concurrence.

Bill An act additional to Chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes, came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Cyrus F. Bryant. to be set off from the town of Fairfield and annexed to the town of Bloomfield, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Referred in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. WHEELER of Greenfield,

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee be directed to enquire into the expediency of so amending Section 11, Chapter 3, of the Revised Statutes, that Selectmen and Assessors of towns shall hold their office for the term and in the manner directed for Superintending School Committees.

Read and passed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. DEANE of Portland.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to enquire into the propriety of repealing the present laws relating to marriage, so far as they require a publication of the intentions of marriage, and of passing a Statute similar to the law approved April 23, 1852.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MERRILL of Williamsburg,

Ordered, That the Joint Standing Committee on the Judiciary be and hereby are instructed to enquire into the legality and expediency of taxing rights granted by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to cut timber upon lands in the State, and report by bill or otherwise.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MERRILL of Williamsburg,

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee be instructed to enquire into the expediency of giving any person who digs, makes, or hauls slates, by virtue of a contract with the owner thereof, a lien thereon, to take precedence of all other claims and to continue thereon for thirty days after payment becomes due.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to enquire what further legislation is necessary, if any, to enable executors and administrators to assign mortgages of real estate.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HAGAR of Richmond,

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee consider and report the

expediency of altering and amending the 51st Section of the 113th Chapter of the Revised Statutes, relating to support of debtors in prison, so as to make it the duty of any jailer prior to the actual imprisonment of every debtor on mesne process, or execution, or who shall surrender himself to save the condition of any bond given on execution, that money be paid in advance or security be furnished the jailer, either by the debtor or the creditor, his agent or attorney, for the support of any such debtor while so imprisoned, and also what amendments are necessary in the 24th and 26th Sections in Chapter 24, same statutes, relating to paupers, their settlement and support, as that cities and towns and other incorporated places shall not be chargeable for the support of such debtors while thus imprisoned, though having a legal settlement therein.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. FRENCH of Damariscotta,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to enquire into the expediency of so amending Section 10, Chapter 122 of the Revised Statutes, as to make its provisions apply to all persons assuming to act as attornies.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. COMSTOCK of Lubec,

Ordered, That the Committee on Fisheries be directed to enquire what further instructions, if any, are necessary to be given to our Senators and Representatives in Congress, that they may use their influence to prevent the repeal of the law granting bounty to vessels engaged in the cod fisheries.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Cyrus Kendrick, jr., and others of the town of Litchfield, for aid to the Medical School of Maine;

Petition of M. L. Wilson and others of Lincoln, for same; Petition of A. Bolan and others of New Sharon, for same; Petition of D. R. Kennedy and others of Wiscasset, for same;

Petition of Putnam Simonton and others of Searsport, for same;
 Petition of Israel Bradley and others, for same;
 Petition of A. H. Burbank of Yarmouth, for same;

Petition of M. R. Ludwig and others of Thomaston, for same;

Petition of N. R. Boutelle and others of Waterville, for same;

Petition of James S. Dixon and others of Woolwich, for aid to East Maine Conference Seminary;

Petition of George G. Winslow and others, for same;

Petition of Frederick Spofford and 134 others, for same;

Bill, an act to incorporate the stockholders of West Hampden High School.

The foregoing petitions and bill were severally referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais,

Ordercd, That the Judiciary Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of allowing parties two peremptory challenges of jurors in the trial of civil actions.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on bill, an act to incorporate the Cabot Manufacturing Company, reporting the bill and that it ought to pass.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted and the bill passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence, and the rules having been suspended, the bill had three several readings, and was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Claim of the Treasurer of the town of Winn, for bounty paid on wild animals. Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. PRENTISS of Ban'gor, from the Judiciary Committee, on bill, an act to amend chapter 82, section 83, of the revised statutes, authorizing executors and administrators and heirs to testify in certain cases, reporting the bill and that it ought to pass.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and Thursday next assigned for its third reading.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 103, section 4, of the revised statutes, to provide for payment of the fees of commissioners in assessing dower by warrant from judge of probate, laid on the table by Mr. HAGAR of Richmond, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act for the support of paupers in unincorporated places, laid on the table by Mr. SARGENT of Brookline, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Nathaniel Hanscom of Lee, for addition to pension. Referred to the Committee on Military Pensions.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. CASE of Readfield, laid upon the table the account of C. P. Hunton for services as coroner, and on his motion, it was referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Daniel M. Crockett and others of Hamlin's grant, to be annexed to the town of Bethel;

Petition of Abraham Waterhouse, to be set off from Orono and annexed to Oldtown;

Petition of Stockbridge P. Graves, to be set off from the town of Bowdoin and annexed to Bowdoinham.

The above petitions were severally referred to the Committee on the Division of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Sewall Lake, for conveyance of land from the State. Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Josiah P. Bean, for injuries while in the services of the State. Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of inhabitants of number 7, range 3, for incorporation. Referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Elizabeth Sylvester and three others of Windham, for change of name of herself and minor children. Referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Adjourned.

ATTEST :

#### SATURDAY, JANUARY 16.

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#### Prayer by Rev. Mr. FELCH of Hallowell.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, That so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the State Prison, be referred to the Committee on the State Prison. Concurred.

Ordered, That a Joint Select Committee of seven, on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be raised, to which so much of the Governor's Address shall be referred, as relates to regulating the traffic in intoxicating liquors.

This order came from the Senate, having been read and passed, and Messrs. Thomas, Wasson, Hamlin, Fletcher, Lothrop, Hobart and West, were appointed said Committee on the part of the Senate. The order was passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Gilbert of Bath, Boody of Brunswick, Tapley of Saco, Foss of Leeds, Hanson of Gardiner, Milliken of Camden, Estes of Woodstock, Moor of Ellsworth, Shaw of Industry, Rackleff of Wesley, Flye of Newcastle, Davis of Fairfield, Mayo of Orono, Merrill of Williamsburg and Libbey of Molunkus, were joined to said Committee on the part of the House.

Petition of the Directors of the Portland Marine Railway, for repeal of the act incorporating them, came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Referred in concurrence.

The report of the Joint Select Committee appointed to examine the files and papers of the last Legislature referred to the present, came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

Mr. HOBBS, from the Committee on Division of Towns, made a report on the petition of Cyrus F. Bryant, ordering notice to be served on the town clerks of the towns of Fairfield and Bloomfield. On motion of Mr. HOBBS, the report was laid upon the table. On motion of Mr. RICE of Hampden,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to enquire what further legislation is necessary to give married women the right to testify in suits in which their husbands are interested, and to report by bill or otherwise.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta,

The House voted, that when it adjourns, it be until Monday morning next, at eleven and one-quarter o'clock.

Mr. MILLIKEN of Camden, was, on his own motion, excused from service on the Joint Standing Committee on the Division of Counties.

On motion of Mr. BOWEN of Portland,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to enquire into the expediency of providing additional penalties by law, for certain trespasses on personal property.

Sent up for concurrence.

#### On motion of Mr. FRENCH of Damariscotta,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to enquire into the expediency of providing by law, that a decree of divorce from the bonds of matrimony, shall operate as a release of both parties.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. WASSON of Brooksville,

Ordered, That the Committee on Finance be directed to enquire into the propriety of abating the State tax on Holbrook island within the limits of the town of Castine. Also, that said island be struck from the list of unincorporated places.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. RICE of Hampden,

Ordered, That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges be directed to enquire into the expediency of providing by law, that towns after limiting the road districts so as to correspond with the several school districts, may authorize the legal voters thereof to choose the highway surveyors for said districts, and to report by bill or otherwise.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. KINGSBURY of Kennebunk,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to enquire into the expediency of so revising the first section of chapter twenty-first of the Revised Statutes, as to oblige by penalty each town to make suitable provision for the mental and physical necessities of all vagrant children within their respective limits, and oblige them to avail themselves of such provision.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. WOODBURY of Houlton,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to enquire into the expediency of enacting a law making proprietors of lands in unincorporated townships through which county roads are located liable for damages incurred by travelers the same as cities and towns are liable, and report by bill or otherwise.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BOWEN of Portland,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to consider if any alterations and amendments are necessary to be made in chapter forty-four of the Revised Statutes in relation to hawkers and pedlars; and if they deem amendments necessary to protect the citizens of this State in their rights to report accordingly by bill or otherwise.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Thomas M. Gray, ordering notice by service on the clerks of the towns of Chelsea and Pittston, came from the Senate having been read and accepted. On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, the report was recommitted, with instructions to the Committee to report an order of notice, by a publication in the newspaper published in Hallowell.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the same Committee, upon petition of David Wing and

others, ordering notice, by serving a copy upon the clerk of the town of Farmingdale and upon the clerk of the city of Gardiner. On motion of Mr. HANSON of Gardiner, the report was recommitted, with instructions to the Committee to report an order of notice, by a publication in a newspaper published in Hallowell, and also a publication in a newspaper published in Gardiner.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the same Committee, on petition of John L. Copeland, ordering notice of copies on the clerks of Thomaston and South Thomaston, came from the Senate having been read and accepted.

Read and accepted in concurrence.

Mr. HOBBS, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Anthony Brackett, made a report, ordering notice by service of an attested copy upon the clerks of the towns of Gorham and Standish.

The same gentleman from the same Committee, reported order of notice on petition of Benaiah Dow, by service of an attested copy upon the clerks of the towns of Paris and Woodstock.

He also reported order of notice upon the petition of Jonathan Devereux, by service of an attested copy upon the clerks of the towns of Cornish and Parsonsfield.

The foregoing reports were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Claim of the treasurer of the town of Albany for bounty paid on wild animals; also claim of the treasurer of the town of Trenton; and claim of the treasurer of the town of Mariaville, for same, were severally received and referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Bainbridge Black, for change of name, was received and referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Petition of W. F. Farrington and 11 others, for an act of incorporation, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Daniel T. Plummer and others of Bradford, in favor

of Benjamin Chadbourne, for remuneration for injuries received while in the Aroostook war, was received and referred to the Committee on Military Pensions.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Joshua Hooper and others, in aid of East Maine Conference Seminary, was received and referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

#### MONDAY, JANUARY 18, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. BUTTERFIELD of Hallowell.

Papers from the Senate,

Petition of Findlay Wallace and others, in aid of East Maine Conference Seminary, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

Referred in concurrence.

Bill of Proprietors of Eastern Argus, for printing, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Referred in concurrence.

Order referring so much of the Governor's message as relates to the Militia, came from the Senate, having been read and passed. Passed in concurrence.

Order relating to publication of lists of non-resident taxes, and Order relating to the jurisdiction of towns and county commissioners, came from the Senate, having been read and passed.

They were passed in concurrence.

Petition of Charles Jarvis and sixty others, for an insolvent law. Referred to the Joint Select Committee having that subject under consideration, and sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Cabot Manufacturing Company.

This bill having had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Petition of Acton Swett and others; Petition of Warren Small and others; Petition of sundry citizens of Machias; Petition of A. H. Hall and others; and Petition of John Lamson and others, for aid to the East Maine Conference Seminary, were received and referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. PATTEE, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on petition of C. F. A. Johnson and 22 others, reported order of notice returnable to the present Legislature.

Report accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of John Davis and 83 others, for re-annexation of Barker farm to town of Chelsea;

Petition of T. J. Haines to be set off from Levant to Kenduskeag; Remonstrance of John Davis and 84 others, against petition of T. M. Gray and others, were received and referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. TAPLEY of Saco.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire and report whether the present forms of civil and criminal process admit of simplification and improvement, and to report such modifications thereof and of the proceedings in court as they may deem expedient and necessary.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. TAPLEY of Saco,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire and report whether the present laws on bail in criminal cases are sufficient.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. ROAK of Durham,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that the Chaplains of this Legislature have the same privileges in regard to the Library as members of this Legislature.

Read and passed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Paul Cyr, Francis Thibedeaux and 250 others, for a division of the county of Aroostook.

Referred to the Committee on Division of Counties.

Sent up for concurrence.

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Petition of Joseph Blake and others of Letter G, to be incorporated with Letter F; and

Petition of Joseph B. Hall and others of Presque Isle, for an act of incorporation, were severally referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Justus Gray, for a donation of land in consideration of building mill, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns on petition of David Wing and others, ordering notice; and

Report of same Committee on petition of Thomas M. Gray, ordering notice.

These reports came from the Senate, that branch refusing to concur in the action of the House in ordering notice by publication in newspapers, and insisting on their former vote. The House insisted on its former vote ordering notice by publication, and the reports were returned to the Senate.

Petition of Nathaniel Coffin and others, for law to prevent the destruction of deer.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns on petition of inhabitants of Elliotsville, ordering notice by service of copy upon the Clerk of the town of Elliotsville, came from the Senate having been read and accepted.

Read and accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

ATTEST: GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

# TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. MOORE of Hallowell.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of S. H. Talbot and ten others, for an insolvent law, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on that subject.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Wm. H. Hemenway and 13 others, for an alteration in the Constitution, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Blanchard. for aid in the support of two paupers in the Insane Hospital, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Insane Hospital.

Referred in concurrence.

Order relating to the expediency of allowing persons charged with crime to testify on their trials; and

Order relating to private legislation, came from the Senate having been read and passed.

Read and passed in concurrence.

Order directing Committee on Reform School to visit said school. This order came from the Senate having been read and passed. On motion of Mr. BOODY of Brunswick, the order was amended as per sheet A annexed, and as amended the order passed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of President and Directors of the Veazie Bank, for recharter:

Petition of President and Directors of the Mercantile Bank, for re-charter, were severally referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Thomas B. Allen, for change of name.

Referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Petition of J. C. Bradbury and others of Oldtown, for aid to the Medical School of Maine;

Petition of Andrew Crowell and others of Brewer, for same;

Petition of Ezra Manter and others of Frankfort and Monroe, for same;

Petition of Emerson Googing of Mt. Desert, for same;

Petition of George Parcher and others of Ellsworth, for same;

Petition of Abner Stetson and 122 others, for aid to East Maine Conference Seminary.

These petitions were severally received and referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Moses Rose and 32 others, for an appropriation to build a bridge across the Presque Isle stream;

Petition of W. S. Gilman & Co., for aid.

These petitions were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Willard Walker and 282 others of Bath, for a repeal of the law authorizing the disclosures of debtors under arrest on execution without bond.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Stephen Young and 127 others, for a division of the town of Pittston;

Petition of John Greeley and seven others, praying to be set off from Mt. Vernon and annexed to the town of Readfield;

Petition of Isaac Lemont and seven others, to be set off from Brunswick and annexed to Bath.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. HAGAR of Richmond, was appointed to fill the vacancy in the Committee on Division of Counties caused by the withdrawal of Mr. MILLIKEN of Camden. Petition of J. B. Marrow and others, for an act of incorporation for an agricultural society, te be called the Oxford, Androscoggin Valley and Franklin Agricultural Society.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the town of West Gardiner came from the Senate passed to be engrossed.

Read once, and to-morrow assigned for a second reading.

Mr. HERSEY of Pembroke, presented the account of Thomas J. Sherman, for expenses as coroner.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to abolish imprisonment for debt. Laid on the table by Mr. PORTER of Lowell, and under the rule lies over one day.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns on petition of Thomas M. Gray.

This report came from the Senate, that branch insisting on its former vote accepting the report, and proposing a conference of the two Houses, and appointing Messrs. Chapman, Wiggin and Plaisted as conferees on the part of the Senate. The House voted to adhere to its former vote ordering notice by publication.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns on petition of David Wing and others.

This report came from the Senate, that branch insisting on its former vote accepting the report, and proposing a conference, and appointing Messrs. Chapman, Wiggin and Plaisted as conferees on the part of the Senate. The House voted to adhere to its former vote ordering notice by publication, and returned the reports to the Senate.

Petition of Samuel Smiley and 59 others of Winslow, for a law to prohibit the exhibition of traveling circuses.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BICKNELL of Augusta,

Ordered, That the use of the Representatives' Hall be granted

to Wm. W. Turner, Wednesday next, 20th instant, at two o'clock P. M., for the purpose of introducing Master Ballard, a deaf mute educated by this State, and to make some exhibition of his attainments.

Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. WHEELER of Greenfield,

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending section 13, chapter 22, of the revised statutes, that all occupants or owners of adjoining lands lying common or unimproved, shall build and maintain one-half of all partition fences adjoining all such lands lying common or unimproved as is provided in the same section for building and maintaining fences adjoining lands enclosed by both parties.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. RACKLIFF of Wesley,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending that part of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes as relates to the collection of taxes in incorporated places on lands of non-resident owners. That after due notice given to said owners of the amount in which they are assessed by publishing said assessment in a newspaper printed in the county or otherwise, the non-resident proprietors shall be subject to the same rules and regulations as far as practicable as resident proprietors.

Read and passed.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PATTEE of Fort Fairfield,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the expediency of setting apart certain townships for settlement.

Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

#### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. SMITH of Litchfield.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of Assessors and others of Franklin, to legalize certain assessments, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Moses Rose and seven others, to be incorporated as the Trustees of Presque Isle Academy, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

Referred in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the town of West Gardiner.

This resolve having had two several readings, and reported without amendment by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Petition of the Directors of the Eastern Bank, Bangor, for a reduction of their capital;

Petition of the Directors of the Maine Bank, asking for leave to reduce their capital—severally referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns on 'petition of Cyrus F. Bryant, was on motion of Mr. HOBBS of Waterford, taken from the table and recommitted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. GILBERT, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill, an act in relation to the city of Bath, reported the bill amended as per sheets A and B annexed, and as amended, reported it in a new draft.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Petition of Israel Davis, praying that the Land Agent may be authorized to convey to him certain lots of land in township number eleven, range one, in the county of Aroostook;

Petition of the inhabitants of Chesuncook, for a grant of land to them in aid of building mills;

Petition of C. F. A. Johnson and 34 others, for the survey and location of a road from Bridgewater to number eleven, range five, Aroostook county.

These petitions were severally received and referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the Portland and Oxford Central Railroad Company, for authority to extend a branch line to the Androscoggin and Kennebec Railroad near Danville Junction;

Petition of Amos M. Roberts and 100 others of Bangor, that the Legislature may compel the Penobscot & Kennebec and Somerset & Kennebec Railroads to connect their trains at Kendall's Mills;

Petition of Wm. Lowder and others, for a more convenient passway through the bridge at Bangor for vessels.

The above petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. WASSON, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on petition of Joseph B. Hall and others, reported order of notice to be published in the Aroostook Pioneer.

Report accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. BICKNELL of Augusta, laid upon the table the County Estimates for the county of Kennebec, and on his motion they were referred to the Committee on County Estimates.

Petition of David Godfrey and O. M. Guptill of Lubec, asking for a right to extend their fish weir into tide waters in said Lubec;

Petition of Wm. Fisher and others of Arrowsic, for the protection of fish in Sewall pond or its outlets in Arrowsic.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Fisheries, and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of John Covill and others of Pittston, for an act to incorporate the Naumkeag Fishing Company in the town of Pittston.

Referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. FIELD of Danville,

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the 6th section of the 91st chapter of the Revised Statutes of 1857, so that instead of reading, a person who furnishes labor or materials for a vessel building, it may read, for the building of any vessel. Also to inquire into the expediency of extending the time of enforcement of lien on vessels, and report by bill or otherwise.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BUXTON of Warren,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire what further legislation if any is necessary in relation to the examination of parties as witnesses in processes arising under chapter 97 of the Revised Statutes, respecting bastard children and their maintenance.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be and hereby are instructed to inquire whether any further legislation is necessary to protect the rights of towns through which ways may be laid by joint boards of county commissioners acting for two or more counties, and whether in such cases an appeal from the action from such joint boards ought not to be allowed for towns and other parties interested to the Supreme Judicial Court in the county in which the appealing town is, or other parties reside, and report by bill or otherwise.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HOLT of Turner,

Ordered, That the use of this Hall be granted to Henry Boynton, Esq., of Kansas, this evening, for the purpose of delivering a lecture upon the politics and resources of Kansas.

Read and passed.

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On motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath,

Ordered, That the Joint Standing Committee on the Judiciary be and hereby are instructed to inquire whether it be expedient to amend the twenty-second section of the seventy-seventh chapter of the Revised Statutes, by inserting in the last paragraph, after the word "thanksgiving," the words, "or Christmas day."

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Peter S. Folsom, for pension. Referred to the Committee on Military Pensions. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Daniel Winslow, for repayment of twenty dollars which was paid by him in accordance with the provisions of the law of inspection.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Martha J. Bowker, for divorce. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of John T. Gilman and others, for an act of incorporation.

Referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

ATTEST :

#### THURSDAY, JANUARY 21.

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Prayer by the Rev. Mr. HANSON of Gardiner.

Papers from the Senate,

Petition of the Trustees of Westbrook Seminary, for an appropriation in aid of said Seminary;

Petition of William H. Powers and others, for an act of incorporation as Trustees of South Bridgton High School;

Petition of citizens of Franklin, in aid of East Maine Conference Seminary.

These petitions were received from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Woodbury Davis, for payment of arrears of salary, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Claims.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of John Glidden and others, for leave to extend a wharf, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Referred in concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend section 27 of chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes;

Bill, an act to enable the town of Winthrop to pay the Rev. David Thurston for writing and publishing the history thereof.

These bills were severally received from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and they were referred in concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Farmington Falls Debating Club and Library Association;

Bill, an act respecting school district number four in Winthrop.

These bills came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

Referred in concurrence.

Order referring so much of the Governor's Message as relates to slavery to a Joint Special Committee.

This order came from the Senate having been read and passed, and Messrs. Goddard, Woodbury and Hobart were appointed said Committee on the part of the Senate. The order was passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Hanson of Gardiner, Prentiss of Bangor, Marshall of Belfast, Porter of Lowell, Kingsbury of Kennebunk, Pratt of Oxford, and Skillin of North Yarmouth, were joined said Committee on the part of the House.

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on petition of inhabitants of number seven, range three, ordering notice by service of copy upon the Clerk of number seven, range three;

Report of the same Committee, ordering notice on the petition of Joseph Blake by publication in the Aroostook Pioneer.

These reports came from the Senate, having been read and accepted. They were read and accepted in concurrence.

Bill, an act relating to the city of Bath, reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and having had three several readings, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 82, section 83, of the Revised Statutes, authorizing executors and administrators and heirs to testify in certain cases. Mr. GILBERT of Bath, moved the amendment annexed to the bill on sheet A, and on motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath, the bill and amendment were recommitted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. HOBBS, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Stockbridge P. Graves, reported, ordering notice by service of copy on Clerks of Bowdoin and Bowdoinham;

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, reported order of notice on petition of John Greely, by service of copies upon the Clerks of the towns of Readfield and Mt. Vernon;

Also, order of notice on petition of Daniel M. Crockett, by service of copy on the Clerks of Hamlin Grant and Bethel;

Also, order of notice upon the petition of Thomas J. Haines and

others, by service of copies on the Clerks of the towns of Levant and Kenduskeag.

The foregoing reports were severally read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Samuel Averill, 2d, for leave to build a wharf in Newcastle, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Referred in concurrence.

The following reports from the Committee on Division of Towns, came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and they were severally read and accepted in concurrence, viz:

On the petition of David Wing and others, ordering notice;

On petition of Stephen Young and others, ordering notice;

On petition of S. H. Parsons and others, ordering notice;

On petition of Abraham Waterhouse, ordering notice;

On petition of John Davis, ordering notice;

On petition of Thomas M. Gray and others, ordering notice; and On petition of Isaac Lemont, ordering notice.

Bill, an act authorizing the county commissioners of Oxford county to reassess certain taxes.

The above bill came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Referred in concurrence.

Bill, an act to abolish imprisonment for debt, was taken from the table and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State transmitting the County Estimates for the several counties of the State so far as they have been received at his office, and on motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais, they were referred to the Committee on County Estimates.

Bill, an act to encourage the settlement of the public lands of the State. Laid on the table by Mr. BROWN of Wilton, and referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 12 of the Revised Statutes, relating to parishes and religious societies. Laid on the table by Mr. BOODY of Brunswick, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the town of West Gardiner.

This resolve having had two several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, was finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Petition of Laura F. Bragg, for change of name;

Petition of John Pierce, Jr., and others, for change of name of Alma Cleaveland—were severally received and referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Remonstrance of Joel Bean, John Allen and 52 others, against a portion of Letter G being incorporated with Presque Isle, was referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Thomas Cookson and others, for aid to the East Maine Conference Seminary.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Statement of A. Rackliff and 17 others of Presque Isle, relating to incorporation, was referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Ansel Power and 8 others, to be set off from Bowdoinham and annexed to Richmond, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Samuel A. Gilman and others, in aid of the petition of Isaac M. Bragg, for a dam on the east branch of Mattawamkeag river, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of John Ruggles and 17 others, members of Lincoln bar, for change of time of holding May term of Supreme Judicial Court, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Greenfield and township No. 1, in the county of Hancock, to be set off from the county of Hancock and annexed to the county of Penobscot, was referred to the Committee on the Division of Counties.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of William Soule and 87 others, for a prohibitory liquor law;

Petition of Mary E. Chase and 146 other ladies of Phillips, for same.

These petitions were severally referred to the Joint Special Committee having that subject under consideration.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. QUINT of Bowdoinham, presented the account of Josiah Merrow, and on his motion it was referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of H. Sibberman in relation to settlement on the public lands of the State.

Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. ROAK of Durham,

Ordered, That the members of the Board of Agriculture, during their present session, be admitted to the privileges of the State Library on the same condition as members of the Legislature.

Read and passed.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HALL of Gorham,

Ordered, That the use of this Hall be granted to the Board of Agriculture to-morrow (Friday) evening, for the purpose of a public discussion of the question, "What means are required to give a new impulse to the industrial interests of this State."

Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. PARSONS of Eustis plantation,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of passing an act enabling plantations to raise highway money by a two-thirds vote of the electors present at their annual meeting.

Sent up for concurrence.

#### On motion of Mr. MARSHALL of Belfast,

Ordered, That the Joint Standing Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire whether in the recent revision of the statutes, any change has been made in the law relating to opening roads in unincorporated places, and whether sections 30 and 33 of chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes require amendment in that respect.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BUXTON of Warren,

Ordered, That the Joint Standing Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so altering section 16 of chapter 91 of the Revised Statutes, relating to liens on buildings and lots, as more clearly to define the rights of parties under its provisions.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. RANNEY of Winn,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be requested to inquire into the expediency of altering or amending section 22d, chapter 24th, of the Revised Statutes, so that overseers of the poor of towns may better understand their duty with regard to persons falling into distress in adjoining unincorporated places.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HALL of North Berwick,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire what further legislation, if any, is necessary with regard to the use of check lists in the election of city, town and plantation officers, and report by bill or otherwise.

Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

ATTEST :

# FRIDAY, JANUARY 22, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Dr. TAPPAN of Augusta.

Mr. FRENCH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported legislation inexpedient on order in relation to giving persons a lien for digging, making or hauling slates;

Mr. BUXTON, from the same Committee, made the same report on an order relating to the liabilities of proprietors of lands in unincorporated townships, for damages sustained on roads in such townships.

The above reports were severally read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. KIMBALL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported an order of notice on petition of Isaac M. Bragg, by publication in the Whig and Courier in Bangor.

Report accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. PRENTISS, of the Judiciary Committee, on order relating to the expediency of taxing rights to cut lumber on lands in this State granted by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, reported an order of notice by a publication in the State paper.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais,

Ordered, That the Committee on Finance be instructed to inquire into the expediency of laying a State tax of two hundred thousand dollars, for the present year.

Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais,

Ordered, That the Committee on Finance be instructed to inquire into the expediency of making provision for the payment of so much of the State debt as falls due on the first of March next.

On motion of Mr. MOOR of Ellsworth,

Ordered, That the Joint Standing Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 24

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of the Revised Statutes, so that persons moving into this State from any other State, shall gain a legal settlement as provided in chapter 69 of the public laws of 1853 of New Hampshire, or chapter 45 of the Revised Statutes of Massachusetts.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. SARGENT of Brookline,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 6, section 6, of the Revised Statutes, that widows whose real and personal estate does not exceed five hundred dollars, shall be exempt from taxation.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HOBBS of Waterford,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of repealing or so modifying the existing laws of the State providing for the appointment of County Commissioners and prescribing their powers and duties, so as to render the system less expensive and oppressive, and report by bill or otherwise.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PORTER of Lowell,

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of reducing the expenses of the judiciary system of this State.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. RACKLIFFE of Wesley,

Ordered, That the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture be and the same are hereby directed to inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 30, section 5, of the Revised Statutes, so as to increase the bounty on bears and wolves.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BANKS of Biddeford,

Ordered, That the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance be directed to inquire what legislation, if any, is necessary to protect the people of this State from irresponsible foreign insurance companies, and report by bill or otherwise.

Sent up for concurrence.

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On motion of Mr. DEANE of Portland.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be and hereby are directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 107 of the Revised Statutes, that provision may be made for the taking of depositions, either by the government or party accused, to be used in criminal causes, on like terms, for like reasons, in the same manner, as are now provided in said chapter for taking depositions to be used in civil cases.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PETTINGILL of Wayne,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the law as that no funds shall be furnished by the State to agricultural societies for any purpose, except for the improvement of stock-raising, in agriculture, and in the mechanic arts.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be requested to inquire whether any legislation is necessary to render intelligible the 9th section of the 7th chapter of the Revised Statutes, which was intended to define the Northern Aroostook Registry District.

Sent up for concurrence.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, with returns of cashiers of banks and clerks of corporations as have been received in his office prior to this date, and the same were placed on file.

Bill, an act to amend the act incorporating the Trustees of Oak Grove Academy in Falmouth, approved April 15, 1857. Laid on the table by Mr. HALL of Gorham, and under the rule lies over one day.

Mr. FLYE, from the Committee on Accounts, on petition of Daniel Winslow, reported, asking to be discharged from the consideration of said petition, and recommending the reference thereof to the Committee on Claims.

Report accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Jacob Cushman, for change of name of an adopted child;

Petition of Frederick William Morang, for change of name. Referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Petition of Albion Staples and 77 others, inhabitants of Stockton, praying to have said town reannexed to Prospect;

Petition of the Selectmen of Prospect, in behalf of the inhabitants of said town, praying that Stockton may be annexed to said town of Prospect.

These petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Rufus Dwinal, for a law to prevent banks from taking more than six per cent. interest.

Referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Levi Whitman and other members of Oxford, Androscoggin and Cumberland bars, jurors and others, praying for alteration of the laws relating to County Commissioners, so that they may be less expensive.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Seth Norcross of Chesterville, preferring certain charges against the County Attorney of the county of Franklin.

This petition was received and referred to a Special Committee of the House.

Resolve in relation to printing certain documents. Laid on the table by Mr. FRENCH of Damariscotta, and on motion of Mr. COMSTOCK of Lubec, the rules were suspended, and the resolve having had two several readings, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BOODY of Brunswick,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education be directed to inquire into the expediency of establishing one or more Normal Schools for the training of teachers in this State, the expense of establishing and maintaining said schools to be defrayed out of the proceeds of the State tax on banks, and to report by bill or otherwise.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the Judge of Probate of Waldo county, praying for increase of salary.

On motion of Mr. MILLIKEN of Camden, it was referred to the Waldo delegation.

Sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

A communication was received from NOAH BARKER, Esq., signifying his acceptance of the office of Land Agent.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition of W. F. Farrington and others, reporting bill, an act entitled an act to incorporate the Preachers' Aid Society of the Maine Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters on petition of Samuel Averill, 2d, ordering notice to be posted at the post office in Newcastle and at some public place in Damariscotta Bridge village;

Report of same Committee on petition of John Glidden and others, ordering same notice as the foregoing.

These reports came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and they were read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Counties on petition of Paul Cyr, ordering notice by a publication in the Aroostook Pioneer.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and it was read and accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

#### SATURDAY, JANUARY 23, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. COLBY of Augusta.

Mr. DEANE, from the Committee on Education, on petition of John T. Gilman and others, reported leave to said petitioners to bring in a bill entitled an act to incorporate the Portland School for Medical Instruction.

The report was accepted, the bill read twice, and Monday next assigned for its third reading.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Preachers' Aid Society of the Maine Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

This bill was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and having had three several readings, was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House yesterday referred the petition of Seth Norcross to a Special Committee, and to lay said motion on the table and assign Monday next for its consideration—and the motion was carried.

On motion of Mr. PRENTISS of Bangor, the House Adjourned.

ATTEST :

#### MONDAY, JANUARY 25, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. DEXTER of Augusta.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Portland School for Medical Instruction. Reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and having had three several readings, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. BOWEN of Portland, presented the account of C. H. Hall, a coroner, for expenses of an inquest on the body of a foreigner, and on his motion it was referred to the Committee on Accounts, and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Andrew P. Cousins and others, for an insolvent law. Referred to the Committee having that subject under consideration. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Joseph Doane and others, for aid to the East Maine Conference Seminary;

Petition of S. F. Harrison and others, for same;

Petition of Wm. Marsh and others, for same.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. HOBBS, from the Committee on Education, on petition of William H. Powers and others, reported granting leave to bring in a bill, entitled an act to incorporate the Trustees of the South Bridgton High School.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill, an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Proprietors of the Augusta Free Bridge Company. Laid on the table by Mr. BICKNELL of Augusta, and referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve providing for the publication and distribution of the School Laws. Laid on the table by Mr. SAWYER of Baldwin, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Elizabeth H. McKenney, for change of name. Referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Petition of the inhabitants of Limestone plantation, for an act to raise taxes;

Petition of Ann T. Greeley and others, that the right of suffrage may be exercised by women.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of inhabitants of the St. John river, Jermaine Daigle and 42 others, in relation to settling lands under the Treaty of Washington.

Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Moses Rose and John N. Trueworthy, for incorporation of Presque Isle, and remonstrance against adding more territory thereto.

Referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HOBBS of Waterford,

Ordered, That the use of the Representatives' Hall be granted to Capt. S. W. Look, Monday evening, January 25th, for the purpose of giving a narrative of the loss of the Steamer Central America.

Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais,

Ordered, That the Governor be requested to communicate to this House, for the use of the Legislature, any information he may possess relative to the doings of the Commissioner on Claims at Washington.

Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. PRENTISS of Bangor,

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee be instructed to inquire whether section 143 of chapter 6th of the Revised Statutes should be amended so as to dispense with recording the Treasurer's deed of land sold for taxes, before the forfeiture thereof, and whether section 149 of the same chapter should be amended by adding to the form for the returns of sales, a column for the description of the property sold, and to report by bill or otherwise.

Sent up for concurrence.

### On motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais,

Ordered, That the Committee on Fisheries be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending an act, entitled an act for the preservation of fish in the St Croix river, so as to make the same more effective, and also to allow fish to be taken in weirs below the ledge without restriction as to time.

Sent up for concurrence.

The motion made Saturday to reconsider the vote whereby the House referred the petition of Seth Norcross to a Special Committee, and assigned for to-day, was taken up, and the House reconsidered its vote and refused to refer the petition to a Special Committee. Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, moved that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Mr. PIKE of Topsfield, moved to lay the motion for leave to withdraw on the table and assign to-morrow for its consideration. The House refused to lay the motion on the table, and the question recurred on the motion to grant the petitioner leave to withdraw, and on motion of Mr. PIKE of Topsfield, the House ordered that when the question be taken, it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the House voted to grant said petitioner leave to withdraw, by yeas 68, nays 23, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Arnold, Babbidge, Bailey, Bicknell, Bowen, Buck, Bunker, Case, S. J. Chadbourne, Chick, Clements, Conant, Deane, J. H. Drummond, R. R. Drummond, Dunn, Fuller, Gilkey, Goodale, J. E. Hall, Hanson, Hale, Hersey, Hobbs, Johnson, Judkins, G. A. Kimball, I. C. Kimball, S. Kingsbury, T. R. Kingsbury, Leighton, Loring, Maddocks, Marcyes, Marshall, McGlauffin, Milliken, J. L. Moor, Morrison, T. Parkes, Parsons, Pattee, Percy, Perkins, Pettengill, F. A. Pike, S. R. Porter, Prentiss, Rackliffe, Ranney, Rice, Roak, Rowell, Sally, Sargent, Sawyer, Sherman, Skinner, Snow, Stanley, Stockbridge, Tillson, Wasson, Waterhouse, Whitney, Wing, Woodman and York.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Andrews, Balch, Batchelder, Blaisdell, Brown, Buxton, E. Clark, Cunningham, Comstock, Ingalls, C. E. Libbey, J. Libbey, Mayberry, Nutting, J. Palmer, W. H. Palmer, Pierce, H. Pike, J. B. Pike, Rideout, Rogers, A. B. Shaw and Trussell.

Bill, an act to amend the act incorporating the Trustees of Oak Grove Academy in Falmouth, approved April 15, 1857, taken from the table on motion of Mr. HALL of Gorham.

Read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Preachers' Aid Society of the Maine Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

This bill having had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Claim of the town of Robbinston, for bounty on bears, presented by Mr. PIKE of Calais, and on his motion referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MORRISON of Farmington,

Ordered, That the Joint Standing Committee on the Judiciary be requested to inquire into the expediency of providing a salary for members and officers of the Legislature, instead of per diem pay, as a measure tending to shorten legislative sessions, and lessen the incidental expenses of the same.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the propriety of amending chapter 6, section 41, of the

Revised Statutes, so as to make the section conform to the old law upon the subject of the section, and also to inquire into the expediency of amending the law relative to the duty of County Commissioners in giving notice when called upon to lay out roads in unincorporated places.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

#### TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 1858.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. ARMITAGE of Augusta.

On motion of Mr. PIERCE of Kittery,

Ordered, That the petition of George D. Bacon and others, inhabitants of Unity plantation, asking for reduction of State valuation of said plantation, be taken from the files and referred to the Committee on Finance.

# On motion of Mr. PORTER of Sebago,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be and hereby are instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 91 of the Revised Statutes, that provision may be made for operatives in manufacturing establishments to have a lien upon manufactured articles upon which they have worked, and power to enforce the same, and report by bill or otherwise.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. KINGSBURY of Bradford,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so altering or amending chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes, that settlements subjecting towns to pay for the support of persons on account of their poverty or distress, may be limited to three years instead of five.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MILLIKEN of Camden,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Militia be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending section 7 of chapter 10 of the Revised Statutes, limiting the number of active militia in this State, by striking out the word "four" before "thousand," and inserting therein instead thereof, the word "two."

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. TILLSON of Rockland,

Ordered, That the Committee on the State Prison be directed to inquire into the expediency of enacting a law whereby all persons who are now, or shall be sentenced to a term of years in the State Prison, shall have stricken from their term of servitude, two days for each month that they shall so conduct themselves as to meet the approbation of the Warden and Prison Inspectors, and report by bill or otherwise.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Moses L. Appleton and others, in aid of the petition of Amos M. Roberts and others.

Referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Sent up for concurrence.

A message was received from the Governor through the Secretary of State, transmitting to the House the Report of the Commissioner on Claims at Washington, and on motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais, it was laid upon the table.

Bill, an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Trustees of Oak Grove Academy in Falmouth, approved April 15, 1857.

Reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and having had three several readings, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 50 of the Public Laws of 1857. Laid on the table by Mr. DEANE of Portland, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Claim of the Treasurer of the town of Livermore, for bounty; Claim of the Treasurer of Plantation Letter B, for bounty;

Claims of the Treasurers of Lincoln plantation, Bethel, and account of Masters & Smith, were severally referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Winslow Hunt and others of Pittston, for aid to the East Maine Conference Seminary;

Petition of Ezekiel Prescott and 17 others, to have the doings of districts Nos. 1, 7 and 10 in Montville and Liberty made valid.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of George F. Patten and 100 others, citizens of Bath, for an insolvent law;

Petition of George W. Pickering and 268 others, for same';

Petition of Luke Brown and 18 others, for same;

Remonstrance of Nathaniel Johnson, against an insolvent law; were severally referred to the Committee having the subject of an insolvent law under consideration.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of John S. Fitzgerald, for change of name. Referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Petition of Hiram Norton and others, to be set off from Orono and annexed to Bangor;

Remonstrance of inhabitants of Orono, against the petition of Hiram Norton and others;

Remonstrance of George E. Hodges and 10 others, against the petition of Ansel Powers and others to be set off from Bowdoinham and annexed to Richmond.

The above petition and remonstrances were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

Claim of M. W. Burnham and others, for services and expenses in taking care of a State pauper.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Amza Doe and others of Aroostook county, in relation to pauper tax.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Moses Lincoln and others, for restrictions on seines, nets and weirs for taking herring in Cobscook bay in Lubec, Eastport and Perry. Referred to the Committee on Fisheries. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Asa Smith and 13 others, for aid to build a railroad from Milford to some point in the valley of the Aroostook;

Petition of C. C. Proctor and 40 others, for, an appropriation for a bridge across the north branch of the Dead river.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. PIKE, from the Committee on Finance, on order relating to a State loan, reported a resolve, entitled a resolve authorizing the renewal of a portion of the State debt.

Report accepted. Resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for a second reading.

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Judiciary Committee, on order relating to publications of intentions of marriage, reported a bill, entitled an act to amend chapter 59, relating to marriage and its solemnization.

Report accepted, bill read twice, and on motion of Mr. BICK-NELL of Augusta, it was laid upon the table, and 350 copies of the bill ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. KINGSBURY of Bradford, moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House yesterday granted leave to Seth Norcross to withdraw his petition.

The House by a vote of 71 to 34 refused to reconsider the vote granting leave to withdraw.

Petition of John Lamson, for pension. Referred to the Committee on Military Pensions. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Benaiah Pratt and others of Presque Isle, for an appropriation to open the State road from Presque Isle to Van Buren.

Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence. Petition of Sanford Noble and others, to refund certain moneys by him paid to the State.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Sent up for concurrence.

Claim of the Treasurer of Monticello, for bounty paid on wild animals.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BUCK of Oldtown, the House referred the papers accompanying the Message of the Governor in relation to the Commissioner of Claims at Washington, to the Joint Select Committee having that subject under consideration.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. BUCK of Oldtown, laid upon the table bill, an act concerning the commencement of suits against certain officers.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of Ira Fish and 52 others, for appropriation for survey of railroad route from Mattawamkeag to the Aroostook river;

Petition of Joseph B. Hall and 87 others, for same.

These petitions came from the Senate, having been referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Referred in concurrence.

Order relating to government buoys and other aids to navigation;

Order relating to building and repairing roads in Aroostook county;

Order requesting the Secretary of State to lay before the Legislature the account of James Walker.

These orders came from the Senate, having been read and passed, and they were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Resolve in relation to printing certain documents.

This resolve came from the Senate amended as per sheet A annexed, and as amended, passed to be engrossed, and sent down for • concurrence. The House refused to concur in the Senates amendment, reconsidered its vote whereby it passed the resolve to be engrossed, amended the resolve as per sheet B annexed, and as amended passed the resolve to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

# GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. DILLINGHAM of Augusta.

A communication was received from the Treasurer of State, relating to certain notes due for timber cut upon lands belonging to the Passamaquoddy Indians, and the same was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve authorizing a renewal of a portion of the State debt, reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and having had two several readings, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Trustees of the South Bridgton High School.

Reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and having had three several readings, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Judiciary Committee, reported leave to withdraw on petition of W. H. Hemminway and others, and on petition of M. J. Talbot and others. Also on an order accompanied by a bill, entitled an act to prevent difficulty between towns, in regard to paupers, reported the bill, and that it ought not to pass.

Mr. BUXTON, from the same Committee, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Solomon Coy and others;

Mr. BOODY, from the Committee on Education, reported leave to withdraw on petition of J. S. Howes and others;

Mr. BUXTON, from the Judiciary Committee, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to amending section 11, chapter 3, of the Revised Statutes, in relation to the choice of Selectmen and Assessors;

Mr. DAVIS, from the 'Committee on Education, on a statement of facts and a resolve in favor of Limerick Academy, reported the resolve, and that it ought not to pass; Mr. MORRISON, from the Committee on Education, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Arthur McArthur in behalf of Limington Academy. Also same report on petition of Trustees of Limington Academy for an endowment;

Mr. GILBERT, from the Judiciary Committee, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Samuel Smiley and others, relating to prohibiting circuses.

The foregoing reports were severally read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. PIKE, from the Judiciary Committee, on petition of Selectmen of Sebec, reported granting leave to said petioners to bring in a bill, entitled an act to make valid the doings of the town officers of the town of Sebec.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill, an act relating to the city of Bath.

This bill having had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent up to the Senate.

Petition of E. B. Stackpole and others of Kenduskeag, for insolvent law;

Petition of Oliver Nash and others, for same;

Petition of John W. Coffin and others, for same;

Petition of Henry Bailey and others, for same;

Petition of Willard T. Brown and 49 others of Newcastle, for same.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee having the subject of an insolvent law under consideration.

Sent up for concurrence.

Claims of the treasurers of the towns of Sangerville, Kingsbury, Springfield and Columbia, and claim of the treasurer of plantation No. 7, all for bounty paid, were severally referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Benjamin N. Fisk and others, and

Petition of Richard Libbey and 43 others, for a railroad from Milford to the County of Aroostook.

Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of M. J. Talbot and 21 others of East Machias, for aid to the East Maine Conference Seminary.

Referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the inhabitants of Medford, for aid to enable them to build a bridge across the Piscataquis river.

Referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of John Brown and others of Milbridge, asking for leave to build a wharf in tide waters.

Referred to the Committee on Interior Waters. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of A. J. W. Stevens and others, for incorporation of West Piscataquis Agricultural Society.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the Assessors, Treasurer and Collector of Brownfield, to make valid their doings in relation to taxes of non-resident proprietors of said town for the years 1855 and 1856.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Moses L. Wilder and others, for restrictions on seines, weirs and nets for taking herring in the bays in Pembroke and Perry.

Referred to the Committee on Fisheries. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of James Carney, jr. and 60 others, in aid of petition of Ansel Power and others, to be set off from Bowdoinham and annexed to Richmond. Referred to the Committee on Division of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Seth Norcross, making certain charges against the County Attorney of Franklin County, presented by Mr. PIKE of Topsfield, and on his motion laid on the table until to-morrow. On motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, the House reconsidered its vote whereby the House laid the petition on the table. Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, moved to refer the petition to the Committee on the Judiciary, and Mr. PIKE of Topsfield, moved to lay the motion of Mr. Woodman on the table. Mr. PIKE withdrew his motion to lay on the table the motion of the gentleman from Bucksport. Mr. PIKE renewed the motion to lay on the table and the House refused to lay the petition on the table by a vote of 49 to Mr. PIKE of Topsfield moved that the House adjourn. 48.The House refused to adjourn. The House voted to refer the petition to the Committee on the Judiciary. Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, moved an adjournment and the motion was lost. Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, moved to reconsider the vote whereby the petition was referred to the Judiciary Committee. Mr. BUXTON of Warren, moved the yeas and nays. The House refused to order the yeas and nays. The House refused to reconsider the vote referring the petition to the Committee on the Judiciary.

### On motion of Mr. MOOR of Ellsworth,

Ordered, That the Committee on the State Prison be authorized to visit that institution on or before the fifteenth day of February next, for the purpose of examining into the affairs of said prison and make a report thereon during this session of the Legislature.

Sent up for concurrence.

#### On motion of Mr. RIDEOUT of Cumberland,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to consider the expediency of amending chapter 116, section 13, of the Revised Statutes, in regard to fees of witnesses as to allow each witness one dollar and fifty cents per day instead of one dollar and twenty-five cents, as now fixed by law.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law that members of the Legislature shall not be subject to be trusteed for any amount due from them for board during the session thereof.

Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

# GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. BEAN of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of Joshua Folsom and 17 others, praying for an appropriation to build a road from Greenville to Chesuncook lake;

Petition of S. Robinson and 95 others, for a survey of a railroad route from Mattawamkeag to some point on the Aroostook river;

Petition of Oliver Eveleth and 170 others, praying for an appropriation to build a road from Greenville to Chesuncook lake.

These petitions were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, on bill, an act respecting school district No. 4, in Winthrop, reporting the bill, and that it ought to pass. Also, on bill, an act to enlarge the powers of school district No. 4, in Winthrop, reporting the bill, and that it ought to pass.

These' reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the bills passed to be engrossed. Reports accepted in concurrence. Bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for their third reading.

Mr. HOBBS, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Cyrus F. Bryant, reported ordering notice of service of copies upon the Clerks of the towns of Fairfield and Bloomfield.

Mr. PARKER, from the same Committee, reported order of notice on petition of Ansel Powers and others, ordering notice by service of copy upon the Clerks of the towns of Bowdoinham and Richmond.

Mr. PARKER, from the same Committee, on petition of Alvin Staples and others, reported an order of notice by service of copies on the Clerks of the towns of Stockton and Prospect.

The above reports were severally read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the town of Searsport, for a special law to enable said town to call in and pay certain town orders.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to make valid the doings of the town officers of the town of Sebec.

This bill having had three several readings was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

A communication was received from BENJAMIN D. PECK, Esq., signifying his acceptance of the office of Treasurer of the State, and transmitting his bond for the current fiscal year.

This bond came from the Senate referred to the Joint Select Committee on Treasurer's Accounts.

Referred in concurrence.

Mr. STRICKLAND, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on order relating to limiting road districts, reported legislation inexpedient.

Report accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of O. O. Brown and 15 others, for additional legislation in respect to inspection of lime at the kiln.

Referred to the Committee on Manufacturers. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Richard Huston and 124 others, and

Petition of Daniel Smith, jr. and 110 others, and

Petition of James Merrill and others of Whitefield, for an insolvent law.

Referred to the Committee having that subject under consideration.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Caleb Edwards and Oliver Small, praying that a small piece of land may be set off from the town of Poland and annexed to the town of Otisfield.

Referred to the Committee on Division of Towns. Sent up for concurrence. Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, ordering notice on petition of the inhabitants of Elliotsville.

This report came from the Senate, that branch having reconsidered the vote accepting this report and recommitted the same. The House reconsidered the vote whereby it accepted the report, and recommitted it in concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Portland School for Medical Instruction.

This bill having had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in relation to printing certain documents.

This resolve having had two several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, was finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. PRENTISS, from the Judiciary Committee, on bill, an act to abolish imprisonment for debt, made a special report which was read, and on his motion, laid on the table.

Petition of John Pomroy and 35 others, for aid to repair the bridge across the Mattawamkeag in Bancroft plantation.

Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of J. L. Rogers and 20 others, for increase of officers' fees for service of civil process;

Petition of J. L. Rogers and 21 others, in relation to poor debtor disclosures.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Edward Scribner and others, praying that land may be set off from the town of Poland and annexed to Casco;

Remonstrance of Josiah Merrow and 145 others against the petition of Ansel Powers and others. The above petition and remonstrance were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of J. S. Munroe and 62 others, for charter for Agricultural Society;

Petition of John P. Shaw and 27 others, for same.

These petitions were referred to the Committee on Agriculture. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Josiah R. Hallowell, for change of name. Referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. MERRILL of Williamsburg,

Ordered, That the Land Agent be and is hereby required to make out a list of such townships and tracts of land lying within the State as have been sold or granted for other than farming purposes, which, though liable to taxation, has not been assessed for State or county purposes, nor for opening, making and repairing roads, and to report the same to this House at his earliest convenience.

Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education be directed to inquire into the expediency of requesting our Senators and Representatives in Congress to use their efforts to procure a distribution of a portion of the public lands belonging to the United States, among the several states for educational purposes.

Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

## FRIDAY, JANUARY 29, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. INGRAHAM of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Committee on the Treasurer's Bond, came from the Senate, having been read and accepted.

Read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of the Selectmen of Prospect, ordering notice by service of copy upon the Clerks of Stockton and Prospect;

Report of same Committee, on petition of Hiram Norton of Orono, ordering notice by service of copies on the Clerks of the town of Orono and the city of Bangor;

Report of the Committee on the Incorporation of Towns, on petition of John N. Trueworthy and others, ordering notice by publication in the Aroostook Pioneer;

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition of William Woodbury and others, ordering notice by publication in the Portland Advertiser and Eastern Argus.

The above reports came from the Senate, having been read and accepted. Severally read and accepted in concurrence.

A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary, informing the House, that in the absence of the President, the Senate had elected the Hon. E. W. WOODBURY of Oxford, as President pro tem.

Report of Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on petition of the inhabitants of Elliotsville, ordering notice by service of copy on the Clerk of the town of Elliotsville.

This report came from the Senate accepted.

Accepted in concurrence.

Petition of Ira Fish and 100 others, asking to have a railroad route surveyed from Milford to some point in the valley of the Aroostook; Petition of Jabez Dorman and others of Aroostook county, for an appropriation for a survey of a railroad route from Mattawamkeag.

These petitions came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of David Herrick and others, for an insolvent law.

This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee having the subject of an insolvent law under consideration.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of William Somerby and others of Hancock county, for an agricultural society, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Referred in concurrence.

Order, to take from the files the report of Commissioner to Paris Exhibition in 1855, and refer the same back to said Commissioner, came from the Senate, having been read and passed.

Read and passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais,

Ordered, That the Joint Select Committee on Treasurer's Accounts be directed to inquire into the expediency of so altering the charter of the Maine State Seminary, as to pay them ten thousand dollars in money, instead of the scrip provided for in their charter.

Sent up for concurrence.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting for distribution the Annual Report of the Superintendent of Common Schools for the year 1857.

Bill, an act regulating the admissibility of depositions. Laid on the table by Mr. PRENTISS of Bangor.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. GILBERT, from the Judiciary Committee, on bill, an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Charity Funds of the Maine Convention of Universalists, reported the bill, and asked to be discharged from its further consideration, and recommending its reference to the Committee on Education.

Report accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on statement of the Land Agent respecting the condition of a bridge near the Forks of the Mattawamkeag, reported a resolve, entitled resolve in aid of the bridge at Mattawamkeag Forks.

Report accepted. Resolve read once, and Wednesday, February 3d, assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition of Hersey Fletcher & Co. and others, reported leave to said petitioners to bring in a bill, entitled an act to amend chapter 38 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the inspection of beef and pork.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Petition of Julia A. Haskell and others of Steuben;

Petition of Almira Blanchard and 1,932 others, women of Maine, for an enactment of a law prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Referred to the Committee having under consideration so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of S. S. Starbird and others, for an act of incorporation. Referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Judiciary Committee, reported legislation inexpedient on an order directing inquiry into the expediency of further legislation for certain trespasses on personal property;

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on bill, an act to amend chapter 103, section 4, relating to fees of commissioners to assign dower, reporting the bill, and that it ought not to pass.

These reports were severally accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on bill, entitled an act to amend chapter 50 of the Public Laws of 1857, relating to Municipal and Police Courts, reported the bill, and that it ought to pass.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill, entitled an act to enable the town of Winthrop to pay the Rev. David Thurston for writing and publishing the history thereof.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Petition of the State Agricultural Society, for the adoption of measures for the settlement and sale of the public lands, presented by Mr. MILLER of Portland, and on his motion laid on the table.

Bill, an act to enlarge the powers of School District No. 4 in Winthrop.

This bill having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and having had three several readings, was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Petition of Samuel Tarbox and others, and

Petition of Putnam Simenton and others, and

Petition of William Fisher and others, and

Petition of David P. Thompson and 16 others, asking aid in money or lands for the East Maine Conference.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the Selectmen and Town Clerk of Brunswick, praying for a charter erecting the village district of said town, a city.

Referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of G. B. Jenkins and 18 others, for a railroad from Milford to Aroostook County;

Petition of Henry W. Lyon and 21 others, for same;

Petition of John Pemroy and 15 others, for same.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Eliphalet Greely and 140 others, praying for an insolvent law.

Referred to the Committee having the subject of an insolvent law under consideration.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of David Talbot of Camden, asking for the passage of an act to legalize and allow him to extend his wharf.

Referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve to procure a statue of Major General Henry Knox. Laid on the table by Mr. GILBERT of Bath, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of inhabitants of Richmond against petition of Ansel Powers and others;

Remonstrance of citizens of West Gardiner, against the petitions of certain citizens of West Gardiner to be set off from said town and annexed to Gardiner.

Referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

Order from the Senate in relation to the accounts of James Walker, came from the Senate having been read and passed.

Read and passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HALL of Gorham,

Ordered, That a Joint Special Committee of five on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, be appointed to examine the unrepealed acts and parts of acts named on pages 752, 753, and 754 of the Revised Statutes, (but not contained in the volume,) and report to the Legislature such as are now in force.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MILLIKEN of Camden,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to

inquire into the expediency of so amending section 5, 13 and 14, of chapter 141 of the Revised Statutes, so that the expenses attending the commitment of persons to houses of correction and their support and employment therein, where such prisoners are not able to pay such expenses, shall be borne in the same manner as the expenses of persons convicted before the Supreme Court for an offense punishable by imprisonment or fine, as provided in section 16 of this chapter, instead of being charged upon the town where such prisoner may belong, thus making them paupers.

Sent up for concurrence.

#### On motion of Mr. PATTEE of Fort Fairfield,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of renewing the appropriations made by the last Legislature for the promotion of schools in Van Buren, Madawaska, and Hancock plantations, and also inquire whether further legislation is necessary respecting schools in the County of Aroostook.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. WEEKS of Vassalborough,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education be directed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law what books shall be used in our common schools that there may be a uniform system throughout the State. Also, inquire into the expediency of enacting a general law whereby towns may have the power to grade their schools and in such towns where there is an academy located, the said towns may have the power to appropriate a portion of their school money to defray the expense of educating a portion of their scholars at said academy. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education be directed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law that any school district may raise money for the support of its schools in addition to what it receives from the town, and also to inquire and report by bill or otherwise whether any legislation is necessary or practical to secure a system of graded schools in the large towns of this State.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HAGAR of Richmond,

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee examine the laws, (if any,) relative to owners of buildings when used for public assemblies, and report what further security, (if any,) in such matters is necessary, and if expedient, report a bill providing, that when the life of any person in the exercise of care and diligence is lost, or any bodily injuries are done to such persons by reason of the insufficiency of such building or other cause attributable to the neglect or carelessness of its owner. Whether such owner be an individual or corporation, a servant or agent in the care of his or their business, the person injured or in case of his or her death, the representative of such person shall have adequate remedy by due course of law.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending section 13 of chapter 141 of the Revised Statutes, relating to houses of correction so that the overseers of the poor of the town where the prisoner was found when arrested, may be called upon for his support.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend an act to incorporate the Trustees of Oak Grove Academy, in Falmouth, approved April 15, 1857.

This bill having had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 59 of the Revised Statutes, relating to marriage and its solemnization, taken from the table on motion of Mr. DEANE of Portland, read the third time, and Tuesday next assigned for its consideration.

Mr. TAPLEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill, an act for the support of paupers in unincorporated places, reported the bill, and that it ought not to pass.

Report accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the State Agricultural Society for adoption of measures for the settlement and sale of the public lands.

This petition was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. MIL-LER of Portland, and on his motion, 3,000 copies thereof were ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Petition of David Brown and 45 others, asking aid of the State for injuries sustained by the wife of said Brown at the South Kennebec Agricultural Fair at Gardiner, in September, 1857;

Petition of David Brown and 10 others, for same;

Petition of David Brown and 33 others, for same.

These petitions were presented by Mr. HAGAR of Richmond, and on his motion, laid on the table.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

### GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 30, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. BARTLETT of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate.

Order in relation to further legislation for lien on any vessel building or undergoing repairs;

Order referring reports of Warden and Inspectors of the State Prison to the Committee on the State Prison;

Order for Special Committee to consider the expediency of amending the Constitution as to time of State election, and appointing on said Committee on the part of the Senate, Messrs. Hoyt of Franklin, Plaisted of Penobscot, Lothrop of Somerset, Wing of Kennebec, Hobart of Washington, Sargent of Hancock, and Davis of Cumberland.

These orders came from the Senate, having been read and passed. They were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of J. B. Wooster and others of Hancock, in relation to taxable property.

This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill, an act authorizing the County Commissioners of Oxford county to reassess certain taxes, reporting the bill in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence, bill read twice, and February 1st assigned for its third reading.

The House appointed Messrs. Hall of Gorham, Wasson of Brooksville, Longfellow of Whitefield, Tibbetts of Lovell, and Bunker of Corinna, as the Committee on the part of the House, as contemplated by the order passed yesterday, on motion of Mr. HALL of Gorham.

Mr. PIKE, from the Joint Select Committee on Treasurer's Ac-

counts, on order in relation to altering the charter of the Maine State Seminary, reported legislation thereon inexpedient.

Report accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on petition of Josiah P. Bean, reporting leave to said petitioner to withdraw.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted. On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, the report was laid on the table.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 38 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the inspection of beef and pork.

This bill having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and having had three several readings, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Counties, on petition of the inhabitants of Greenfield and township No. 1, praying that they may be set off from Hancock and annexed to Penobscot.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted. The House amended the report as per sheet A annexed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. SPOONER of New Portland, moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House yesterday ordered 3,000 copies of the petition of the State Agricultural Society to be printed. The gentleman from New Portland moved that the question be taken by yeas and mays. The motion was rejected, and by a vote of 43 to 51 the House refused to reconsider the vote.

Petition of Ephraim Francis and others, in favor of a railroad from Penobscot to Aroostook;

Petition of Augustus Bunker and others, for same.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

Claim of Treasurer of the town of Greenbush, for bounty paid on wild animals.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of P. T. Whitney and 90 others of Orono, for aid in building a railroad from Milford to the county of Aroostook.

Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve authorizing the renewal of a portion of the State debt. On motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais, the vote whereby this resolve was passed to be engrossed, was reconsidered, and the resolve was laid on the table.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Trustees of the South Bridgton High School.

This bill having had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. KINGSBURY, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition of S. S. Starbird and others, reported leave to said petitioners to bring in a bill, entitled an act to incorporate the State of Maine Company.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and Monday next assigned for its third reading.

Bill, an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Maine State Seminary. Laid on the table by Mr. PIKE of Calais.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Corinna Union Academy. Laid on the table by Mr. BUNKER of Corinna, and under the rule lies over until Monday.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on petition of Josiah P. Bean, was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, and recommitted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. DAVIS, from the Committee on Education, on resolve in

favor of Corinna Union Academy, reported the resolve, and that it ought not to pass. On motion of Mr. BUNKER of Corinna, the report was laid upon the table.

Petitions of S. W. Miller and 43 others, inhabitants of town of Swanville, of Abagail Nickerson and others of same town, severally praying for a more efficient liquor law, were referred to the Committee on Liquor Law.

Sent up for concurrence.

Claims of the treasurer of Eddington, for bounty paid on Wild Animals, were referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of John Rand and 45 others, of the Cumberland Bar, for the repeal or essential modification of section 18 of chapter 82 of Revised Statutes, in relation to specifications of defence in civil actions;

Petition of Bradford Cummings and others, in relation to unincorporated places supporting their own paupers; and

Bill, an act additional relating to review of actions;

Were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Daniel Winslow and others, to be incorporated by the name of the Portland Hydraulic Company, for the purpose of introducing pure water into the city of Portland, and

Petition of the Directors of the Gardiner and Pittston Bridge Company, for increase of tolls;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of John B. Trafton and others, in favor of incorporation of Letter D, first range, was referred to Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Elbridge Knight and others, asking that the public lands of Letter D may be set apart as a permanent School Fund, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Philander Fletcher, for increase of bounty on wolves and bears.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of School District No. 5, in Atkinson, and bill accompanying same, authorizing collection of tax, and petition of S. L. Carney and others, of Newcastle, in aid of East Maine Conference Seminary,

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of Committee on Fisheries, reporting orders of notice on petition of Ebenezer Brown and others, for preservation of fish in Eastern river. Also, on petition of Moses Lincoln and others, for restrictions on seines, nets and weirs, taking herring in Cobscook bay, in Eastport, Lubec and Perry. Also, on petition of Moses L. Wilder and others, praying for restrictions on weirs, seines and nets, for taking herring in the towns of Penobscot and Perry, came from the Senate, and they were severally accepted in concurrence.

Mr. SNOW, from the Committee on Education, on petition of Trustees of Oak Grove Academy, for aid to same, reported "leave to withdraw."

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

ATTEST :

## GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1858.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. FELCH of Hallowell.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of Paul S. Merrill and others, for an appropriation to build a road from Greenville to Chesuncook lake;

Petition of Joseph B. Packard and others, for an appropriation to build a road from Kingsbery to Shirley;

Petition of John Gardner and others, for deed of lot of land in township No. 8, range 5.

These petitions came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of H. C. Hall and others, for an insolvent law, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on an Insolvent Law. Referred in concurrence.

Order relating to the expediency of limiting the amount of bills in circulation of the several banks in this State, came from the Senate having been read and passed.

Read and passed in concurrence.

The House joined to the Committee on the Senate order relating to change of time for holding the State election, Messrs. Woodbury of Houlton, Knapp of East Livermore, Whitney of Raymond, Parsons of Eustis Plantation, Babbidge of Deer Isle, Clark of Pittston, Cunningham of Edgecomb, Bean of Brownfield, Palmer of Exeter, Nutting of Parkman, Oliver of Georgetown, Sally of Madison, Kingsbury of Waldo, Hersey of Pembroke, Crowell of Lebanon.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 50 of the Public Laws of 1857.

This bill was read three times, and on motion of Mr. PORTER of Lowell, was laid upon the table.

Bill, an act authorizing the County Commissioners of Oxford county to reassess certain taxes;

Bill, an act to enable the town of Winthrop to pay the Rev. David Thurston for writing and publishing the history of said town.

These bills having been severally reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and each having had three several readings, were passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill, an act respecting School District No. 4, in Winthrop.

This bill was read three times, and on motion of Mr. MILLIKEN of Camden, was laid on the table.

Bill, an act to incorporate the State of Maine Company, reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and having had three several readings, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill in relation to mortgages of personal property and their redemption. Laid on the table by Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. COMSTOCK, from the Committee on Fisherics, on petition of David Godfrey and Oliver M. Guptill of Lubec, reported an order of notice by publication of a copy in the Eastport Sentinel.

Report accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act respecting School District No. 4 in Winthrop, taken from the table on motion of Mr. MILLIKEN of Camden, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

An act to enlarge the powers of School District No. 4 in Winthrop.

This bill having had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 50 of the Public Laws of 1857, taken from the table on motion of Mr. PORTER of Lowell, and passed to be engrossed. On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, the vote passing the bill to be engrossed, was reconsidered, and the bill laid upon the table. On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, the bill was amended in its title as per sheet A annexed, and as amended, passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of A. H. Pendleton and 154 others, ladies of Livermore Falls and vicinity, for a prohibitory liquor law.

Referred to the Committee on the Liquor Law. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of A. R. Knapp and 46 others, for protection of fish in Howard's pond in Hanover.

Referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of W. P. Spofford and others, that the Legislature will compel the Penobscot & Kennebec and the Somerset & Kennebec railroads to connect their trains at Kendall's Mills.

Referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the Selectmen of Milo, for an amendment to chapter 155, section 8 of the Acts and Resolves of 1848.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of James L. Child and 50 others, citizens of Augusta, for the establishment of a judicious and effective insolvent law.

Referred to the Committee having the subject of an insolvent law under consideration.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Anna Hinds of Madison, for a donation of land or money.

Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent up for concurrence.

Claim of Treasurer of the town of Greenville, for bounty paid on bears.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts. Sent up for concurrence. On motion of Mr. KNAPP of East Livermore,

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee be instructed to inquire into the propriety of permitting libellants to testify in cases of divorce.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PATTEE of Fort Fairfield,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture inquire into the expediency of paying Enoch Hoyt, who was elected a member of the State Board of Agriculture and not allowed to take his seat.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Daniel Neal and others, inhabitants of No. 9, range 3, Washington county, to be incorporated into a town by the name of Jackson Brook.

Referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

### GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. BUTTERFIELD of Hallowell.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of Silas W. Turner and 110 others, praying for an appropriation to build a road from Kingsbery's Mills to Shirley Corner; Petition of John F. Pike and 71 others, for same.

These petitions came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of D. A. Fairbanks, for pay while acting as a member of the Board of Agriculture, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Rufus W. Brackett and 56 others, inhabitants of the town of Acton, in aid of the petition of the Trustees of Lebanon Academy for aid.

This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

Referred in concurrence.

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Judiciary Committee on order relating to increasing the fees of witnesses, reported a bill, entitled an act relating to fees of witnesses.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on order relating to the expediency of amending section 22 of chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes, reported a bill, entitled an act to repeal section 22 of chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes, relating to paupers.

The above reports were severally accepted, the bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for their third reading.

Mr. FRENCH, from the Judiciary Committee, reported leave to withdraw on the petition of Charles Lowell and others, praying that women may have the right to vote; Mr. BUXTON, from the same Committee, on bill, an act to amend the 27th section of chapter 18, of the Revised Statutes, reported the bill, and that it ought not to pass.

The foregoing reports were severally accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Eleanor B. Paine, for change of name.

Referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Mr. BOODY, from the Committee on Education, on order directing said Committee to inquire into the expediency of establishing one or more Normal Schools, reported a bill entitled an act to provide for a State Normal School. Report accepted, bill read twice, and on motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, it was laid upon the table and 350 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. PRATT of Oxford,

Ordered, That the petition of Henry Upton and the accompanying papers be taken from the files of the Legislature and referred to the Committee on Military Pensions.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. RICE of Hampden,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the 6th section of the 6th chapter of the Revised Statutes that the polls of seamen may be exempted from taxation.

Sent up for concurrence.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State transmitting for distribution 151 copies of the 41st annual report of the Directors of the American Asylum, for the education and instruction of the deaf and dumb.

Mr. PIKE, from the Judiciary Committee, reported legislation inexpedient on an order relative to amending the pauper law so as to require a term of three years instead of five to fix a pauper settlement.

Report accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of E. A. Davis and 61 others, citizens of Lubec,

against the petition of David Godfrey and O. M. Guptill, for a right to extend their weirs into tide waters of Lubec.

Referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of John W. Perry and others of Brunswick, to be incorporated under the name of the Brunswick Saving Bank;

Petition of Edmund Smith and others, for extension of time in which to put into operation the Lowell Bank, at Lewiston.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of K. N. Meservey and 22 others, in favor of East Maine Conference.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Joseph Badger and 168 others, legal voters of the village district in Brunswick, in aid of the petition of the town of Brunswick.

Referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 59, relating to marriage and its solemnization.

This being the day assigned for consideration of this bill, it was, on motion of Mr. DEANE of Portland, taken up. Mr. DEANE of Portland, moved to amend the bill as per sheet A. Mr. WOOD-MAN of Bucksport, moved to recommit the bill with instructions to strike out all but the 4th section. On motion of Mr. TAPLEY of Saco, the bill was laid on the table and to-morrow assigned for its consideration.

Mr. PRENTISS, from the Judiciary Committee, giving operatives a lien for their wages on articles they have manufactured, reported legislation inexpedient. Also, same report on order relative to obliging towns to make suitable provision for the mental and physical necessities of all vagrant children.

Reports accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of Isaac Benner and 14 others, against the petition of Ezekiel Prescott and 17 others, to have the doings of Districts No. 1 and 7, in Liberty, and No. 10, in Montville, made valid.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. SPOONER of New Portland,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be and hereby are instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending the Constitution so that the Legislature shall meet once in two years instead of annually, as now provided. And that all State officers be chosen for that time, and to report by bill or otherwise.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Thomas Boyd and 369 others of Boothbay, praying for a prohibitory liquor law;

Petition of Daniel Cameron and 249 others of Southport, for same.

Referred to the Committee having the subject of a Liquor Law under consideration.

Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. MOORE of Hallowell.

Papers from the Senate.

Claim of the Treasurer of the town of Patten, for bounty paid for wild animals;

Claim of the County Commissioners of Penobscot county, for reimbursement of expenses incurred on account of J. C. Stedman, a prisoner, who died in jail.

These petitions came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Austin Mero and 60 others, for alteration of law in relation to mill dams;

Petition of Thomas Lowell and 33 others, for same;

Petition of Nath'l Bryant and 119 others, for same.

These petitions came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Robert Mowe, jr. and others of Eastport, for an insolvent law;

Petition of S. G. Pike and others of Calais, for same;

Petition of Joshua Frye and 37 others, for same.

These petitions came from the Senate referred to the Committee on an Insolvent Law, and they were severally referred in concurrence.

Petition of Romeo Michaud, for reimbursement of money paid for land, and for a deed of six lots more.

This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of E. Chenery and 31 others, for aid to the East Maine

Conference Seminary, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Stephen Whitehouse, Jr., and three others, to have a part of their farms set off from Jefferson and annexed to Newcastle.

This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Referred in concurrence.

Order directing Committee on Reform School to inquire into the propriety of cities, towns and plantations to pay a portion of the expenses of the inmates.

This order came from the Senate, having been read and passed. On motion of Mr. FRENCH of Damariscotta, the order was laid on the table.

Order requesting Committee on the Liquor Law to report at an early day.

This order came from the Senate, having been read and passed. On motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, the order was laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on Education on bill, an act to incorporate the West Hampden High School, reporting the bill, and that it ought to pass.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted; and the bill passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill, an act to repeal section 22 of chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes, relating to paupers.

This bill having had three several readings, and reported by th Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting legislation inexpedient on order directing inquiry into the expediency of amend ing section 18 of chapter 66 of the Revised Statutes, relating t claims not presented against insolvent estates.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted.

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On motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, the report was recommitted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolution of Citizens Temperance Association of Augusta, against the enactment of a law which shall sanction the establishment of distilleries.

Referred to the Committee on the Liquor Law. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act relating to fees of witnesses.

This bill being under consideration, on motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PRENTISS of Bangor,

Ordered. That the Judiciary Committee be instructed to inquire whether sections 5 and 6 of chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes give any bounty on bears and wolves killed in any unincorporated place, and to report such amendments as they think necessary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve for the repair of the bridge over and near the Forks of Mattawamkeag river.

This resolve having been twice read, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of Solomon Coy and others, against petition of Asa Hamilton and others, for a bridge company;

Petition of Asa Hamilton and others, for incorporation by the name of the Proprietors of Middle Landing Bridge, were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of L. Gott and others, to be set off from the town of Orland and annexed to the town of Ellsworth;

Petition of Perley Haynes and Brigham Haynes, to be set off from the town of Dedham and annexed to Ellsworth.

Referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

An act to enable the town of Winthrop to pay the Rev. David Thurston for writing and publishing the history of said town;

An act authorizing the County Commissioners of the county of Oxford to reassess certain taxes.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, were severally passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Claim of the Treasurer of the town of Kingfield, for bounty paid on bears.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. FLYE, from the Committee on Accounts on account of Glazier, Masters & Smith, made a report asking to be discharged from its further consideration, and recommending its reference to the Committee on Claims.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Judiciary Committee, on order in relation to exempting members of the Legislature from the trustee process, reported a bill, an act additional to chapter 86 of the Revised Statutes, relating to trustee process. Report accepted, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Petition of John Plaisted and 111 others, citizens of Gardiner praying that a railroad connection may be enforced at Kendall's Mills.

Referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HALL of Gorham,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture be instructed to report a resolve providing for the payment of Messengers of the Board of Agriculture at their late session.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of David Wasgatt, 2d, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Petition of Directors of Kennebec Log Driving Company for a charter for a boom at Brown's Island, in Kennebec river.

This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of N. McClure and others, for bounties on the manufacture of iron, slate, sugar, molasses, &c., made in this State.

Referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of H. Chadbourne and 13 others, for aid to build a railroad from Milford to the valley of the Aroostook;

Petition of Patrick Farmer and 65 others, for same;

Petition of T. C. S. Berry and 20 others, for same.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of B. F. Osgood and 18 others, against the incorporation of township No. 7 Range 3;

Request of James Cooper and 14 others, to have their names taken from the petition for the incorporation of No. 7 Range, 3.

The above remonstrance and request were referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Henry Upton, for pension on account of services rendered the State;

Petition of Selectmen and 102 citizens of the town of Washington, that the pension of Spencer G. Bowes may be increased.

The above petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Military Pensions.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the Directors of the Pejepscot Bank, asking for a reduction of their capital stock;

Petition of the President and Directors of the City Bank at Biddeford, for increase of capital stock. These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Joseph Merrill and others, in aid of the Maine Medical School.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. FRENCH, from the Judiciary Committee, on order relating to amending section 10, chapter 122 of Revised Statutes, reported a bill, entitled an act to amend section 10, chapter 122 of the Revised Statutes. Report accepted, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 59 of the Revised Statutes, relating to marriage and its solemnization, was taken up and considered, and on motion of Mr. BUXTON of Warren, was laid on the table.

Petition of David C. Elliot, for divorce, presented by Mr. BUR-BANK of Lewiston, referred to a Joint Select Committee, and sent up for concurrence. Messrs. Burbank of Lewiston, Buckman of Yarmouth, Buxton of Warren, Bicknell of Augusta, Sweat of Limington, Stanley of Dixfield, nad Sargent of Brookline, were appointed said Committee, on the part of the House.

Mr. KIMBALL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of John Brown and others, reported an order of notice by publication in the Machias Republican. Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting the annual Report of the Bank Commissioners of the State of Maine for the year 1857.

The report was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Cornelius Turner and 38 others, of Wiscasset, in aid. of the East Maine Conference Seminary.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

ATTEST :

## GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Young of Hallowell.

Petition of E. F. Beal and 27 others, citizens of Norway, in aid of the petition of Henry Upton, for pension.

Referred to the Committee on Military Pensions. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Abbie C. Smith, for change of name. Referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Petition of Aretas Chapin and 42 others, citizens of Monson, praying for the charter of an Agricultural and Horticultural Society to be called the West Piscataquis Agricultural Society.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Addison Martin and 151 others, praying for an alteration of the Constitution so that the Legislature shall meet biennially instead of annually.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of John Attean and others, for support of Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the Penobscot Indians;

Petition of John Attean and others, for schools for the Penobscot Indians;

Remonstrance of John Attean and others, against a change in the treaty with the Penobscot Indians.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Sent up for concurrence.

Claim of the Treasurer of the town of Charleston, for bounty paid on wild animals.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Sent up for concurrence.

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Bill, an act additional to preserve the harbor of Portland. Laid on the table by Mr. BOWEN of Portland.

Petition of Sally Mayberry, for change of Probate laws respecting wife's dower.

The aforesaid bill and petition were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of S. D. Sprague and 7 others, for an act to prevent the destruction of pickerel in Meadow pond in the town of Islesborough.

Referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Henry Williams, Agent of Augusta Water Power Company, for a law authorizing said Company to collect tolls on logs passed through the locks of said Company.

Referred to the Committee on Interior Waters. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Joseph W. Dyer and 5 others, to be incorporated under the name of the Portland and New York Steamship Company.

Referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the West Hampden High School.

This bill having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend section 10 of chapter 122 of the Revised Statutes, relating to offenses against public justice.

This bill having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and having had three several readings, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Credentials of Peol Sockis, as Representative of the Penobscot Indians. Laid on the table by Mr. BUCK of Oldtown.

Referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. FOSS, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Perley Haynes and Brigham Haynes to be set off from Dedham and annexed to Ellsworth, reported an order of notice by service of copies upon the Clerks of the towns of Dedham and Ellsworth;

Mr. HOBBS, from the same Committee, reported an order of notice on petition of Caleb Edwards and others, by service of copy on Clerks of the towns of Poland and Otisfield;

Mr. PARKER, from the same Committee, reported an order of notice on petition of L. Gott and others, by service of copies on the Clerks of the towns of Orland and Ellsworth;

Mr. KINGSBURY, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition of David Talbot, reported an order of notice by service of copy upon the Clerk of the town of Camden, and to be posted in two or more conspicuous places in the village of Rockport, in said town of Camden.

The above reports were severally accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act additional to the Revised Statutes, relating to the trustee process.

This bill having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and being on its passage to be engrossed, Mr. PIKE of Topsfield, moved that when the question is taken it be taken by yeas and nays, and the House so ordered; and upon being taken, the House refused to pass the bill to be engrossed, by yeas 54, nays 63, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Andrews, Bailey, Balch, Buck, Burbank, H. M. Chadbourne, Cunningham, Comstock, E. Davis, J. H. Drummond, R. R. Drummond, Estes, Fisher, Flye, French, Fuller, Goodale, J. Hall, Jr., Hersey, Hobbs, Holt, Johnson, Jones, Judkins, G. A. Kimball, I. C. Kimball, H. Kingsbury, C. E. Libbey, Loring, Marcyes, Mc-Glauflin, Merrithew, Miller, Parker, Pattee, F. A. Pike, Plummer, Prentiss, Quint, Rackliffe, Rice, Rideout, Roak, Sargent, A. Shaw, Spooner, Stanley, Strickland, M. E. Sweat, Walsh, Wasson, Woodbury, Woodman, York.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Arnold, Babbidge, Banks, Bicknell, Blaisdell, Boody,

Bowen, Brackett, Brown, Buxton, Case, S. J. Chadbourne, A. H. Clark, Cowell, Clements, Coffin, Conant, J. Davis, Deane, Dunn, Field, Foss, Gilbert, Gilkey, Hagar, J. E. Hall, Hanson, Hale, Keene, C. A. Kimball, S. Kingsbury, T. R. Kingsbury, Knapp, Lane, J. Libbey, Maddocks, Mayo, Milliken, Mitchell, Oliver, J. Palmèr, B. F. Parks, Percy, Perkins, H. Pike, J. B. Pike, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Rogers, Rowell, Sally, Sanborn, A. B. Shaw, Sherman, Skillin, Skinner, B. Smith, Stockbridge, Tibbets, Tillson, Trussell, Wadlin, Wing.

Mr. BICKNELL, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reported an order of notice on petition of Daniel Winslow and others, by a publication in the "State of Maine" and by service of copy upon the City Clerk of Portland.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. PIKE of Calais, presented the credentials of Lewey Benauit as a Representative of the Passamaquoddy Indians.

Referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Jeremiah Hacker and 22 others of Portland, for a law to tax church edifices and the salaries of clergymen the same as other incomes and salaries:

Petition of E. G. Flanders and 10 others, for same;

Petition of C. R. Black and 28 others, for same;

Petition of Paul Hussey and 86 others, for same;

Petition of R. F. Kinsell and 21 others, for same;

Petition of Calvin Collins and 109 others, for same.

The above petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Sumner Whitney and others of Presque Isle, for an appropriation to change location of State road in Letter G.

Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of L. N. Burr and others of the town of Mercer, for an act authorizing towns to pay for the ringing of church bells.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Charles Farley and 42 others of Portland, for an insolvent law.

Referred to the Committee on an Insolvent Law. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act respecting School District No. 4, in Winthrop.

This bill had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PRENTISS of Bangor,

Ordered, That the petition of S. L. Boulter and others, with the accompanying papers, be taken from the files of the last Legislature and referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BRACKETT of Westbrook,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education be instructed to inquire if any change of the law is necessary or expedient in relation to the location of school houses as especially to apply to cities and villages, and report by bill or otherwise.

Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

ATTEST :

# GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

# FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. PRINCE of Searsport.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of Robert Thompson and 73 others of Gardiner.

This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on an Insolvent Law.

Referred in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Joseph B. Hall, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Claims.

Referred in concurrence.

Order to Committee on State Lands and State Roads, relating to survey of line between Maine and New Hampshire.

This order came from the Senate having been read and passed. Read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Edward Scribner and others, ordering notice by service of copies on the clerks of the towns of Poland and Casco;

Also, reporting an order of notice on petition of Stephen Whitehouse, jr. and others, by service of copy upon the clerks of the towns of Jefferson and Newcastle;

Also, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of S. H. Parsons and others.

. The above reports were severally received from the Senate, having been read and accepted.

They were severally accepted in concurrence.

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order directing inquiry into the expediency of exempting certain property of widows from taxation, reported a bill, entitled an act exempting the real and personal estate of widows from taxation in certain cases.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading;

The same gentlemen, from the same Committee, reported legislation inexpedient on order in relation to taking deposition in criminal cases;

Mr. BUXTON, from the same Committee, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to providing a salary for members of the Legislature, instead of a per diem.

The above reports were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. FRENCH, from the Committee on Judiciary, on petition of Martha J. Bowker, for divorce, reported asking to be discharged from its further consideration, and recommending the reference of the petition to the Joint Select Committee, to which was referred the petition of David C. Elliot, for divorce. On motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath, the report was recommitted with instructions to the Committee to report whether or not in their opinion petitions for divorce are a proper subject of legislative action.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. KIMBALL, from the Committee on Change of Names, on petition of sundry persons for change of name, reported a bill, entitled an act to change the names of certain persons.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill, an act to incorporate the State of Maine Company;

Bill, an act to make valid the doings of the town officers of the town of Sebec.

These bills, having had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, were severally passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HALL of Gorham,

Ordered, That the Senate concurring, the hour of nine o'clock in the morning be fixed as the time of meeting of the Legislature, on Saturdays, until otherwise ordered.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to provide for a State Normal School.

This bill being under consideration, and on its passage to a third reading, on motion of Mr. BOODY of Brunswick, it was laid upon the table, and Wednesday next assigned for its further consideration.

On motion of Mr. PRENTISS of Bangor,

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee be instructed to inquire whether section 15, chapter 5 of the Revised Statutes, requires the State Treasurer to pay compound interest on moncy received from the public lots which the State is required to keep until the township is settled and organized, and report such amendment as they deem advisable.

Sent up for concurrence.

#### On motion of Mr. PRATT of Oxford,

Ordered, That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges be requested to inquire into the expediency of establishing a Board of Railroad Commissioners, and report by bill or otherwise.

Sent up for concurrence.

#### On motion of Mr. FOSS of Leeds,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law that cities and towns shall in all cases pay interest on their State and county taxes when not paid within thirty days from the time specified in the assessors warrant for collecting and paying the same, and report by bill or otherwise.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve authorizing the renewal of a portion of the State debt. This resolve was taken up on motion of Mr. PIKE, of Calais, and passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. FRENCH of Damariscotta,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law, that the reports of judicial decisions shall be prepared and published by the Supreme Judicial Court.

Sent up for concurrence.

# On motion of Mr. BOWEN of Portland,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education be directed to inquire into the expediency of providing that the proportion of money to be divided by towns among the several districts, shall hereafter be apportioned and paid out on the basis of attendance by pupils in such districts, during the preceding year.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 59 of the Revised Statutes relating to marriage and its solemnization.

This bill was taken from the table on motion of Mr. MAYO of Orono, and on his motion, it was laid upon the table, and Tuesday next assigned for its consideration.

Mr. PIKE from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order to inquire into the expediency of passing an act relative to the Assessors of Jackson and Unity plantations, reported a bill, entitled an act to authorize the Assessors of Eustis and Jackson plantations to settle with former Treasurers.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its, third reading.

Claims of the Treasurer of the town of Orland for bounty paid on wild animals.

Account of M. L. Appleton as Bank Commissioner, and account of Joseph Dane, Jr., as Bank Commissioner, and were severally referred to the Committee on Accounts

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of W. H. Winslow and 60 others, citizens of Houlton, praying for the survey and location of a railroad from Milford to the Aroostook;

Petition of C. J. Fay and 31 others, for same;

Petition of S. G. Ward and 80 others, of Linneus, for same;

Petition of Geo. W. Smith in relation to land and mills on the St. John river;

Petition of Asa Smith and 17 others, for aid to re-build the sunken bridge on the Military road in Indian township, No. 1. These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of B. Brookins for divorce, referred to the Committee to which was referred the petition of David C. Elliot.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the Trustees of the Methodist Society in Portland for change of name, and asking liberty to hold real estate to the value of sixty thousand dollars;

Petition of Alfred McCorrison and 23 others, for an alteration in the Constitution;

Petition of William White and 118 others, praying for an alteration in the Constitution.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Jeremiah Page and others, of Charleston, for an insolvent law.

Referred to the Committee on Insolvent Law.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Clara C. Plummer and 32 other women, praying for the passage of a law prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors;

Petition of Sarah W. Leach and 29 others, for same.

These petitions were referred to the Committee having the subject of a liquor law under consideration.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Abijah Crosby and others, for a fishway through the Kennebec dam, at Augusta.

Referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Joel Bean for remuneration for loss of an ox while building State road.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Sent up for concurrence.

Order, requesting Governor and Council to furnish documents to Committee on Indian Affairs.

This order came from the Senate, having been read and passed. Read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Counties, ordering notice on petition of John Bird and others, by publication in the Rockland Gazette, United States Democrat, and also in the Thomaston Journal and Lincoln Democrat;

Report of the same Committee on petition of Isaac Reed and others, ordering notice by publication in the Rockland Gazette and United States Democrat, and also in the Thomaston Journal and Lincoln Democrat.

These reports came from the Senate, having been read and accepted. Read and accepted in concurrence.

Bill, an act exempting the real and personal estate of widows from taxation in certain cases.

This bill was taken from the table, and on motion of Mr. WOOD-MAN of Bucksport, the vote whereby the House assigned to-morrow for the third reading of the bill, was reconsidered and the bill read the third time.

On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, the bill was amended as per sheet A, and as amended the bill was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of John Covill and others, ordering notice by a publication in the Northern Home Journal;

Also, reporting order of notice on petition of the Kennebec Log Driving Company, by a publication in the Skowhegan Clarion, in the Kennebec Journal, and in the Northern Home Journal.

These reports came from the Senate, having been read and passed. Read and passed in concurrence.

Bill, An act additional to chapter 86 of the Revised Statutes, relating to trustee process.

This bill came from the Senate amended as per sheet A annexed, and as amended, passed to be engrossed. The House refused to concur with the Senate in amendment A, and on motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath, the bill was laid on the table. Mr. GILBERT moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House nonconcurred with the Senate in amendment A, and to lay said motion on the table and assign Tuesday next for its consideration.

Adopted.

Bill, an act exempting the real and personal estate of widows from taxation. On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, the House reconsidered the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed, amended the bill as per sheet B annexed, and as amended, passed the bill to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. PATTEE, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, reported an order of notice on the petition of Daniel Neal and others, by a publication in the Calais Advertiser.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of incorporated plantations. Laid on the table by Mr. DUNN of Milton plantation, and under the rule lies over until to-morrow.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. HANSON of Gardiner.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of H. Waugh and 235 others, for the incorporation of a new town, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Referred in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Greenleaf Wing and 211 others, against the petition of Thomas J. Haines to be set off from the town of Levant. This remonstrance came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns. The House nonconcurred in referring the remonstrance to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, and referred it to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of Nathaniel Bryant, against the petition of John Glidden and others, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Joseph B. Packard and 24 others of Blanchard and vicinity, for an agricultural society, to be called the West Piscataquis Agricultural and Horticultural Society, came from the Senate referred to the Committeé on Agriculture.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of H. G. O. Barrows and 87 others, for a law to prevent the killing of moose and deer in this State.

This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Mrs. A. M. Hopkins and 780 other women, praying for a prohibitory liquor law, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on a Liquor Law.

Referred in concurrence.

Claim of the Treasurer of Alton, for bounty paid on wild animals; and

Claim of Treasurer of town of Springfield, for same; Were severally referred to the Committee on Accounts. Sent up for concurrence.

Claim of Sheriff of Washington county. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Stephen L. Goodale, for payment of arrearage due him for service as Secretary of the Board of Agriculture in 1856.

This petition was referred to the Committee on Agriculture. Referred in concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 116 of the Revised Statutes.

This bill came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Judiciary, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Amzi Doe and others.

Also, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Bradford Cummings and others.

These reports came from the Senate, having been read and accepted.

They were read and accepted in concurrence.

Petition of Calvin Hamlin and 38 others, for a law to prevent the destruction of pickerel in certain ponds.

Referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of D. W. Pillsbury and 28 others, citizens of Maine, praying for an act to incorporate a company under the name of the State of Maine Improvement Company, for the purpose of developing the resources of the State.

Referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Amory Battles and 45 others, for alteration of the Constitution so as to give women a right to vote, (presented by Mr. PRENTISS of Bangor,) was received and read. Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, moved the reference of the petition to the Committee on the Judiciary. This motion the Chair ruled to be out of order, for that, the Committee on the Judiciary have hitherto during this present session, considered petitions praying for the same object, and reported to the petitioners leave to withdraw, which report was accepted by the Legislature. From the decision of the Chair, Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport took an appeal to the House, and on the question, "Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the House?" the House voted that it should so stand. On motion of Mr. BUCK of Oldtown, the petition was laid upon the table.

Petition of John L. Turner, to set apart certain public lots for sale and settlement;

Petition of S. Stevens and others, for an appropriation to repair the bridge near the mouth of Fish river;

Petition of D. Page and 16 others, in favor of a railroad from Milford to some point in Aroostook county.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 38 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the inspection of beef and pork;

Resolve authorizing a renewal of a portion of the State debt.

The foregoing bill having had three several readings, and the resolve having had two readings, and having each been passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bill was passed to be enacted, and the resolve was finally passed, and they were signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of incorporated plantations.

This resolve was read once, and Monday next assigned for its second reading.

Resolve to prevent unnecessary legislation. Laid on the table by Mr. BUCK, and under the rule lies over until Monday.

On motion of Mr. FRENCH of Damariscotta,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to

inquire into the expediency of changing provisions of section 17 of chapter 80 of the Revised Statutes, relating to executions against Sheriffs.

Sent up for concurrence.

Account of A. D. White, Sheriff of Oxford county, for distributing tax warrants, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Referred in concurrence.

Bill to amend chapter 609 of Private and Special Laws of 1856, relating to the Biddeford Fire Insurance Company. Laid on the table by Mr. TAPLEY of Saco.

Referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of John McClusky, relative to conveyance of land. Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of B. L. Hodgdon and others of Levant, for an insolvent law.

Referred to the Committee on an Insolvent Law. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to authorize the Assessors of Eustis and Jackson plantations to settle with former Treasurer;

Bill, an act to change the names of certain persons.

The above bills having had three several readings, were severally passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. DAVIS, from the Committee on Education, on petition of Jeremiah Hacker and 22 others, and on petitions numbered 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 accompanying the report, reported leave to withdraw;

Mr. MORRISON, from the Committee on State Printing, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to Heads of Departments contracting for their printing.

The above reports were severally read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. MORRISON, from the Committee on Education, on bill, entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Maine State Seminary, approved March 16, 1855, reported the bill and that it ought to pass.

Report accepted, bill read twice, and Monday next assigned for its third reading.

Petition of Ammi Mitchell, for change of name.

Referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1858.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. WEBB of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate.

Order referring the message of the Governor relating to the law concerning capital punishment, to the Committee on the Judiciary, came from the Senate, having been read and passed.

Read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of William Dickey and 533 others, for a new County, called Madawaska, to be taken from Aroostook county.

This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Division of Counties.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Edwin Fernald and others, Proprietors of Maine Wharf, Portland, for an act of incorporation.

This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Amasa Goding and others, for a railroad from Milford to Aroostook.

This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Nathan Reynolds and others, for an act of incorporation, with bill accompanying, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Referred in concurrence.

Bill, an act in relation to conveyances of real estate, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting reference to the next Legislature on petition of the Trustees of the Lebanon Academy, for aid. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted. Read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on petition of William Fisher and others, reporting a bill, entitled an act to prevent the destruction of alewives in Sewall pond or its outlet.

This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the bill amended as per sheet A annexed, and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of Martha J. Bowker, for divorce, reporting reference of said petition to the Joint Select Committee, having under consideration the petition of David C. Elliot, for divorce.

This report came from the Senate, that branch refusing to concur with the House in recommitting the report with instructions as per sheet A, and accepting the report. On motion of Mr. TAPLEY of Saco, the report was laid upon the table.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to defining the Northern Aroostook Registry District, reporting a bill, an act to define intelligibly the Northern Registry District of Aroostook County.

This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed. Bill read twice, and on motion of Mr. WOODBURY of Houlton, it was laid upon the table.

Bill, an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Maine State Seminary, approved March 16, 1855.

This bill, having been reported by the Committee on Bills in their Third Reading, and having had three several readings, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of incorporated plantations.

This resolve was read twice. Mr. PARSONS of Eustis plantation, moved to amend as per sheet A, annexed. The amendment was rejected, and on motion of Mr. PORTER of Lowell, the resolve was laid upon the table. The order introduced by Mr. HANSON of Gardiner, on January 9th, in relation to instructing the Committee on Printing, was taken from the table and considered. On motion of Mr. MILLI-KEN of Camden, the order was indefinitely postponed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 50 of the Public Laws of 1857, relating to the salaries of Judges of Municipal and Police Courts;

Bill, an act to incorporate the West Hampden High School;

Resolve for the repair of the bridge over and near the forks of the Mattawamkeag river.

The foregoing bills, having each had three several readings, and the resolve having had two readings, and each having been passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were passed to be enacted, and the resolve was finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Public Printing, reporting a contract with Stevens & Sayward, came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the contract approved.

The report was accepted, and the contract approved in concurrence.

Mr. TAPLEY, from the Committee on Elections, on remonstrance of Stephen S. Gerrish, against the right of Alonzo B. Shaw, to a seat in this House, reported that said Alonzo B. Shaw is entitled to his seat.

Report accepted.

Mr. HANSON of Gardiner, introduced the following order, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on the Pay Roll:

Ordered, That each member of this Legislature shall render to the Committee on Pay Roll the exact number of days he has been in attendance here, and that no member's name shall be entered on the pay roll until his account shall be given.

Resolve to prevent unnecessary legislation.

This resolve was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Remonstrance of Nathaniel Wilson and forty others of the town of Orono, against the petition of Abraham Waterhouse, to be set off from Orono and annexed to Oldtown.

Referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Moses Thomes and Sarah A. Thomes, for change of name.

Referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Petition of Asa Smith and others, for the repair of the Mattawamkeag bridge.

Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of J. B. Chase and 55 others of Orono, for a law to prevent the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Referred to the Committee on a Liquor Law.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of George Guptill and 60 others, citizens of Gouldsborough, for a law to prevent the destruction of menhaden in the rivers and harbors of this State.

Referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Z. H. Spinney and 80 others, citizens of Georgetown, praying for abatement in town valuation in the assessment of State taxes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Petition of Lewey Benauit, for a school house to be built at Pleasant Point and one at Lewey's Island.

Referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of J. W. North and others, commissioners of the sinking fund under chapter 379 of the Special Laws of 1850, asking for further powers.

Referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges. Sent up for concurrence. Mr. TAPLEY of Saco, introduced the following order which Mr. COMSTOCK of Lubec, moved to lie on the table :

Ordered, That the Committee on the Pay Roll be instructed to make up the pay of S. S. Gerrish, the contestant from the district composed of the towns of Troy, Unity, and Burnham, to and including February 9, 1858.

The question pending when the House adjourned was on Mr. COMSTOCK'S motion.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. COLBY of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of J. T. Merrill and 27 others, citizens of Concord, Solon, Bingham and Moscow, praying for a law to protect pickerel in the Jackson pond, so called, in the town of Concord, in the county of Somerset.

This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of John N. Knowlton and others, for a railroad from Milford to Aroostook county.

This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on petition of Sanford Noble and others, asking to be discharged from its further consideration, and recommending its reference to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and it was read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of E. Fox and others, for increase of salary of Recorder of Municipal Court of Portland, reporting a bill, entitled an act to increase the salary of the Recorder of the Municipal Court of the city of Portland.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Report of the Committee on Claims on petition of Daniel Winslow, reporting a resolve in favor of Daniel Winslow.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Resolve read once, and Wednesday, February 17th, assigned for its second reading.

The order introduced yesterday by Mr. TAPLEY of Saco, in relation to paying S. S. Gerrish, was taken up, and the House refused to lay the order on the table. On motion of Mr. BICKNELL of Augusta, the House indefinitely postponed the further consideration of the order.

Remonstrance of C. S. Pennell and 297 others, citizens of Brunswick, against the incorporation of the Village District of said town as a city.

Referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Henry A. Small and 50 others, citizens of the town of Stoneham, for division of the town of Stoneham.

Referred to the Committee on Division of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolutions of citizens' Temperence Association of Orland. Referred to the Committee on Liquor Law. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Willard P. White and others, citizens of Orland, asking for an act to enable the town to pay further compensation to said White, for building bridge.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, introduced the following order :

Ordered, That the Committee on Pay Roll ascertain the number of days S. S. Gerrish was necessarily present contesting the right of the member from Troy to a seat in the House, and that they make up his travel and pay accordingly.

This order, being on its passage, on motion of Mr. BUXTON of Warren, the House ordered that the yeas and nays be taken on its passage, and being so taken the order was refused a passage by a vote of yeas 36, nays 72, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Arnold, Banks, Boody, A. H. Clark, Cowell, Coffin,

J. Davis, Deane, J. H. Drummond, R. R. Drummond, Estes, Field, Flye, Foss, Gilbert, J. Hall, Jr., Hill, Hobbs, Johnson, Jones, Longfellow, Milliken, Nutting, W. H. Palmer, Parker, B. F. Parks, Pattee, Plummer, J. Porter, S. R. Porter, Rice, Rowell, Skinner, B. Smith, Tapley, Weeks.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Babbidge, Bailey, Balch, Batchelder, Bean, Bicknell, Bowen, Brackett, Buck, Buckman, Bunker, Burbank, Buxton, Case, Chick, Clements, Comstock, E. Davis, Dunn, Fuller J. E. Hall, Hale, Hersey, Ingalls, Keene, G. A. Kimball, I. C. Kimball, H. Kingsbury, S. Kingsbury, T. R. Kingsbury, Knapp, Lane, C. E. Libbey, Loring, Maddocks, Marcyes, Mayo, McGlauffin, Merrithew, Mitchell, Morrison, Oliver, Parsons, Percy, Perkins, H. Pike, Pratt, Prentiss, Quint, Ranney, Rideout, Roak, Sally, Sanborn, Sawyer, A. B. Shaw, Sherman, Skillin, Stanley, Stockbridge, Strickland, M. E. Sweat, Tibbets, Tillson, Trussell, Wadlin, Walsh, Waterhouse, Whitney, Wing, Woodbury, Woodman.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Maine Universalist Missionary Society. Laid on the table by Mr. HANSON of Gardiner.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Mount Hope Cemetery Corporation. Laid on the table by Mr. PRENTISS of Bangor.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of J. W. K. Norwood and others, citizens of Camden, asking that the Selectmen of said town be authorized, when so directed by a vote of the town, to sell certain lands given to said town of Camden, for the benefit of its public schools.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor requesting him to return to this House, if not signed by him, the engrossed bill, entitled an act to amend chapter 38 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the inspection of beef and pork. Read and passed, and the Clerk was charged with and conveyed the message.

On motion of Mr. LORING of Guilford,

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending the Constitution of this State so that the Governor and Senators shall be elected by a plurality vote, and in case of vacancies occurring in the Senate by death or otherwise, they shall be filled by the people in the same manner that members of the House of Representatives now are.

Sent up for concurrence.

A message was received from the Governor, through the Secretary of State, returning to the House engrossed bill, an act to amend chapter 38 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the inspection of beef and pork.

Petition of James S. Rowe and 61 others members of the Penobscot Bar in aid of the petition of the Cumberland Bar, for a repeal or essential modification of the Statutes, requiring specifications of defence.

Bill, an act to amend section 11, of chapter 77, of the Revised Statutes, relating to the return of writs and processes issued from the Supreme Judicial Court. Laid on the table by Mr. DEANE of Portland.

The above petition and bill were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Claim of the treasurer of the town of Gilead, for bounty.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of R. L. Robinson, that provisions for the sale of malt liquors shall be made in the liquor law.

Referred to the Committee on the Liquor Law. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Davis R. Stockwell, to be indemnified for the nonconveyance by the Land Agent of certain Lands.

Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of W. P. Lancaster and 59 others, citizens of Topsham, asking for bounty for the destruction of crows.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of the legal voters of South Thomaston, against the petition of J. L. Copeland and others, to be set off from South Thomaston and annexed to Thomaston;

Petition of inhabitants of Glenburn, to be set off from said town and annexed to Levant;

Petition of inhabitants of Levant, to be set off from said town and annexed to Kenduskeag.

The above remonstrance and petitions were referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Jason Davis and others of Union, that Waldoborough may be made the shire town of Lincoln County, and remonstrating against making Rockland a half shire town for said County;

Petition of Cyrus Robbins, jr. and others, of Union for same;

Petition of Christian Bornheimer and others, for same;

Petition of Alexander K. Bond and 64 others, for same;

Petition of Charles Gilpatrick and others, for same;

Petition of Enos Maddox and others, for same;

Petition of Joseph Irish and others, for same;

Petition of N. D. Payson and others, for same;

Petition of John R. Studley and others, for same.

The above petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Counties.

Petition of Noah Woods and 226 others, legal voters of the city of Gardiner, and 174 ladies, inhabitants of said city, for a prohibitory liquor law, and against the establishment of distilleries.

This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on a Liquor Law.

Referred in concurrence.

Bill, an act in addition to chapter 71 of the Revised Statutes, in relation to the sale of land warrants by executors or administrators. This bill came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Referred in concurrence.

Mr. BOODY, from the Committee on Education, on resolve to procure a statue of Major General Henry Knox, reported the resolve and that it ought to pass.

Report accepted. Resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 59 of the Revised Statutes, relating to marriage and its solemnization.

This bill, having come up for consideration by assignment, Mr. DEANE of Portland, withdrew all the amendments offered by him excepting to strike out section 6, and insert therein instead "section 7." The question being on a motion to recommit the bill with instructions, Mr. BUCK of Oldtown, moved the previous question and the House refused to second the motion, and on motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath, the bill was laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta,

The House took up the Message of the Governor, returning bill, an act to amend chapter 38 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the inspection of beef and pork. Mr. JOHNSON moved to suspend the rule so as to allow a motion to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was passed to be enacted, and pending the question, the House adjourned.

Adjourned.

ATTEST :

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. DEXTER of Augusta.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 38 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the inspection of beef and pork.

The House resumed the consideration of this bill, and on motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, the motion made by him yesterday was laid upon the table.

Remonstrance of F. J. Piper and 45 others, against the petition of David Talbot of Rockport, to extend his bridge into tide waters.

This remonstrance came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of James Webster, in aid of the petition of Isaac M. Bragg, to build a dam across the east branch of Mattwamkeag river.

This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of G. L. Boynton and others, asking for an amendment of the city charter of Bangor.

This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Henry Wyman and others, for an appropriation to build a road from Kingsbury to Shirley Corner.

This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Otis W. Means and 25 others of Machiasport, for an insolvent law, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on an Insolvent Law.

Referred in concurrence.

Claim of Robert Martin, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Claims.

Referred in concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 66 of the Revised Statutes, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Insane Hospital, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of the overseers of the poor of the town of Blanchard;

Report of the Committee on Claims, on claim of the Sheriff of the County of Washington, asking leave to be discharged from its further consideration, and recommending its reference to the Committee on Accounts.

The above reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted.

Read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Military Pensions, on petition of Henry Upton and others, reporting a resolve in favor of Henry Upton.

This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Resolve read once and Wednesday, February 17, assigned for its second reading.

Bill, an act to amend section 10 of chapter 122, of the Revised Statutes, relating to offences against public justice.

This bill, being on its passage to be enacted, on motion of Mr. BUCK of Oldtown, it was laid on the table.

Bill, an act in relation to Trustees of Railroads. Laid on the table by Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta.

Referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 38 of the Revised Statutes, relating . to the inspection of beef and pork.

This bill was taken from the table, and on motion of Mr. JOHN-SON of Augusta, the House reconsidered the vote whereby it passed the bill to be enacted, and also reconsidered the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed, and recommitted the bill to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. MORRISON of Farmington, introduced the following order, which, on his motion, was laid on the table :

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that Wednesday, the 10th day of March, be assigned for the final adjournment of this Legislature.

On motion of Mr. PORTER of Lowell,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that there be delivered to the Trustees of the Maine State Agricultural Society, 500 copies of their memorial, for the adoption of measures to promote the sale and settlement of the public lands of the State, be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. DEANE, from the Committee on Education, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Ezekiel Prescott and others;

The same gentlemen, from the same Committee, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to school houses;

Mr. BUXTON, from the Judiciary Committee reported, leave to withdraw on petition of L. N. Burr and others;

Mr. FLYE, from the Committee on Accounts, reported on the accounts of Joseph Dane, Jr., M. L. Appleton, asking to be discharged from the consideration thereof, and recommending their reference to the Committee on Claims.

The above reports were severally read and accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to change the names of certain persons;

Bill, an act to authorize the assessors of Eustis and Jackson plantations to settle with former treasurers.

The above bills, having each had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, were passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. GILBERT, from the Judiciary Committee, on bill, an act

additional to chapter 12 of the Revised Statutes, relating to parishes and religious societies, reported the bill amended as per sheet A, and as amended, that the bill ought to pass.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and on motion of Mr. PREN-TISS of Bangor, the bill was laid upon the table and 350 copies of the bill and amendment were ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. KIMBALL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of Henry Williams, reported an order of notice by a publication in the Kennebec Journal.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. DEANE, from the Committee on Education, on order relating to a distribution of the Public Lands of the United States, reported a resolve in relation to the distribution of a portion of the United States Public Lands.

Report accepted. Resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading;

Mr. MORRISON, from the same Committee, on bill, an act to incorporate the Maine Universalist Missionary Society, reported the bill and that it ought to pass;

Mr. FISHER, from the Committee on Fisheries, on petition of J. T. Merrill and others, reported a bill, an act to prevent the destruction of fish in Jackson pond, so called, in the town of Concord;

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Judiciary Committee, on order relating to inserting the words "or Christmas day," in section 22, chapter 77 of the Revised Statutes, reported a bill, an act additional to chapter 77 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Supreme Judicial Court;

Mr. TAPLEY, from the same Committee, on bill, an act an additional act to preserve the harbor of Portland;

The same gentlemen, from the same Committee, on bill, an act to amend section 18, of chapter 66, of the Revised Statutes of 1857, relating to insolvent estates;

Mr. WOODMAN, from the same Committee, on bill, an act concerning the commencement of suits against certain officers. The foregoing bills came from the Committee with the report of ought to pass.

The reports were severally accepted. Bill read twice, and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

Mr. HALL, from the Committee on Agriculture, on order relating to the payment of Enoch Hoyt, as a member of the Board of Agriculture, asking that the same be referred to the Committee on Claims.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act exempting the real and personal estate of widows from axation in certain cases.

This bill came from the Senate, that branch non-concurring with the House in adopting amendment B, and then refused a passage to the bill. The House voted, on motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, to insist on the vote passing the bill to be engrossed, and proposed a conference with the Senate, and appointed Messrs. Woodman of Bucksport, Boody of Brunswick, and Rowell of Hallowell, conference on the part of the House. The bill was returned to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of Hiram Norton of Orono, to be annexed to Bangor, came from the Senate recommitted to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Recommitted in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of incorporated plantations.

This resolve, having had two several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Eunice T. Barker and 58 others, ladies of Mariaville, for a liquor law.

Referred to the Committee on the Liquor Law. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 59 of the Revised Statutes, relating to marriage and its solemnization. This bill being under consideration, and the pending question being to recommit with instructions to strike out all but the fourth section of the bill, the House refused to recommit, and on motion of Mr. BOODY of Brunswick, the bill was laid on the table.

Petition of the President and Directors of the Gardiner Bank, for leave to reduce its capital stock.

Referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Moses Mason and others, for an act to incorporate Pine Hill Cemetery, in Bethel.

Referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of George W. Spratt and others, for change of law relative to assessments on unincorporated townships, for roads;

Petition of John Gardiner and others, for incorporation of the Maine Granite Company;

Petition of the inhabitants of the town of Falmouth, praying that any persons residing in any town in this State one year shall gain a settlement in said town.

The above petitions were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of George R. Davis and others of Portland, for an insolvent law;

Petition of Mark H. Dunnell and others, for same.

The above petitions were severally referred to the Committee on an Insolvent Law.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Wingate Bradbury, praying for abatement on a note given for stumpage on public lands;  $\cdot$ 

Petition of H. Chadbourne and 20 others, citizens of Molunkus, for an appropriation to rebuild a bridge in the township of Molunkus.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

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Resolve to procure a statue of Major General Henry Knox.

This resolve being under consideration, was, on motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais, amended as per sheet A, and on motion of Mr. BUCK of Oldtown, it was laid on the table.

Mr. BICKNELL of Augusta, moved a reconsideration of the vote of the House of yesterday whereby it refused to pass an order allowing pay to S. S. Gerrish as a contestant of the seat of A. B. Shaw, and to lie his motion on the table, and assign to-morrow for its consideration, and the House so voted.

Adjourned.

**ATTEST**:

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

# THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1858.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. ARMITAGE of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of Henry T. Knowles and others, for a railroad from Milford to Aroostook.

This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of E. D. Prescott and others, praying to be incorporated into a company for the purpose of removing obstructions and running logs and lumber upon the head waters of the Sandy river.

This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Ephraim Alley, second, and others, for an act to make valid the doings of School Districts Nos. 3 and 6, in Dresden.

This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Referred in concurrence.

Petitions of W. B. Weed and 196 others, and O. E. Lane and 294 others, women of Deer Isle, for a law more effectually to suppress the traffic in intoxicating liquors.

These petitions came from the Senate referred to the Committee on a Liquor Law.

Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Insane Hospital, on order relating to amending section 13, of chapter 143, of the Revised Statutes, providing for the support of paupers, reporting legislation inexpedient;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting leave to withdraw, on the petitions of William White and 118 others, and Alfred McCorrison and 14 others, praying for an alteration in the Constitution; Report of the Committee on Education, reporting legislation inexpedient, on an order relating to the distribution of school money.

These reports came from the Senate, having been read and accepted. Read and accepted in concurrence.

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Bill, an act to prevent the destruction of alewives in Sewall's pond or its outlets.

This bill having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and amended in concurrence as per sheet  $\mathbf{A}$ , was, as amended, passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Petition of Louis Connier, Francis Thibedeau and 62 others, inhabitants of No. 18, Range 3, for legislation that will protect the interest of settlers in said township.

Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act relating to suits against Sheriff's and certain other officers;

Bill, an act additional to chapter 77, of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Supreme Judicial Court;

Bill, an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Maine Universalist Missionary Society;

Bill, an act to prevent the destruction of fish in Jackson pond, so called, in the town of Concord;

Bill, an additional act to preserve the harbor of Portland.

The foregoing bills, having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and having had three several readings, were passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act relating to suits against Sheriff's and certain other officers. On motion of Mr. DEANE of Portland, the House reconsidered the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed, and laid it on the table.

Mr. FOSS, from the Committee on Division of Towns, reported leave to withdraw on the petition of John L. Copeland and others.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in relation to the distribution of a portion of the United States public lands.

This resolve having had two several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to increase the salary of the Recorder of the Municipal Court in the city of Portland.

This bill having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. PARKER, from the Committee on Division of Towns, reported an order of notice on the petition of H. Waugh and others, by service of copies on the clerks of the towns of Levant, Kenduskeag and Glenburn.

Report accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, ordering notice upon the petition of the inhabitants of Glenburn, by service of copies upon the clerks of the towns of Glenburn and Levant.

This report came from the Senate, read and accepted.

Accepted in concurrence.

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Judiciary Committee, made a special report, on the petition of Seth Norcross, granting said petitioner leave to withdraw;

Mr. MAYO, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reported leave to withdraw on petition of William Lowder and others;

Mr. HOBBS, from the Committee on Division of Towns, reported an order of notice on petition of Henry A. Small and others, by service of copy upon the clerk of the town of Stoneham;

Mr. BANKS, from the Committee on Manufactures, reported legislation inexpedient on sundry petitions for standard gas meter;

Mr. FOSS, from the Committee on Division of Towns, reported an order of notice on petition of inhabitants of Levant, by a service of copy upon the clerks of the towns of Levant and Kenduskeag.

The above reports were severally read and accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Edward Scribner.

This report came from the Senate, that branch having reconsidered the vote accepting the report, and amending the same by striking out the word "ten" and inserting the word "eight," and by striking out "twenty-second" and inserting "twenty-fourth," and as amended accepting the report. The House reconsidered its vote accepting the report, amended and accepted it in concurrence.

A message was received from the Governor, through the Secretary of State, transmitting to the House the information that, on the 10th instant, he had approved bill, entitled an act to amend chapter 50, of the public laws of 1857, relating to the salaries of municipal and police judges; and the same was entered on the Journal of the House, and information thereof transmitted to the Senate by message from the House through the Clerk.

Bill, an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government. Laid on the table by Mr. PIKE of Calais, and lies over one day under the rules of the House.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of James W. North and others, ordering notice by a publication in the Kennebec Journal and The Age;

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on petition of the selectmen and town clerk of Brunswick, ordering notice by a publication in the Brunswick Telegraph.

The foregoing reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted. Read and accepted in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Peol Sockis and Lewy Bewwit. Laid on the table by Mr. BUCK of Oldtown.

Rules suspended. Resolve read once and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill, an act to amend section 18, of chapter 66, of the Revised Statutes, relating to insolvent estates.

This bill was read three times, and on motion of Mr. BICKNELL of Augusta, it was laid on the table.

Mr. FIELD, from the Committee on Agriculture, on order re-

lating to the payment of Messengers of the Board of Agriculture at their late session, reported a resolve in favor of L. T. Boothby and Charles Turner.

Report accepted. Resolve read once, and Wednesday, February 17th, assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath,

Ordered, That the Joint Standing Committee on Fisheries be and hereby are instructed to inquire into the expediency of repealing the 47th, 48th, 49th, 50th and 51st sections of the 40th chapter of the Revised Statutes, and report by bill or otherwise.

Read and passed.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. RANNEY of Winn,

Ordered, That the Land Agent be required, at his earliest convenience, to report to this House the amount of timber and grass sold from lands appropriated by this State for the support of schools in the different townships in the county of Penobscot since the year 1840, together with the amount now standing to the credit of each township together with the expense of setting off the same.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath,

Ordered, That the Joint Standing Committee on the Judiciary be and hereby are instructed to inquire into the expediency of an alteration of the law relating to the rights of sureties of coroners, and report by bill or otherwise.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Arno Wiswell and others, to be incorporated as a Gas Company, with a bill accompanying;

Petition of Ephraim Maxham and others, for an Insurance Company;

These petitions were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Samuel Gibson and 14 others, asking for the incorporation of the Master, Wardens and Members of Vassalborough Lodge; Petition of J. J. Perry and 25 others, praying for additional laws in relation to the inspection of lime.

Referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Trustees of Foxcroft Academy, for aid to said institution;

Petition of Abraham Plummer and 11 others, asking for aid in behalf of East Maine Conference Seminary.

These petitions were referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Thomas Seabury and others, of Parkman, for aid in construction of road from Greenville to Chesuncook lake;

Petition of A. J. W. Stevens and others, of Parkman, for same; Petition of A. W. Johnson of Belfast, for an act to enable him to redeem from the State one undivided half of township No. 15, Range 9;

Petition of William M. Sweat and others, for a railroad from Milford to the valley of the Aroostook.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Mark Shepherd and others, of Sullivan, for an insolvent law;

Petition of John Mower and 269 others, of Vassalborough and vicinity, for same.

These petitions were referred to the Committee on an Insolvent Law.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of J. C. Carpenter and 40 others, of Aroostook county, for a division of said county;

Petition of G. B. Page and 138 others, citizens of Houlton and vicinity, for same;

Petition of David Genthner and others, of Nobleborough, that Waldoborough may be made the shire town of Lincoln county, and remonstrating against making Rockland a half shire town for said county; Petition of Alden Winchenbach and others, of Friendship, for same;

Petition of Lyman H. Winslow and others, of Nobleborough, for same.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Counties.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 59 of the Revised Statutes, relating to marriage and its solemnization.

This bill being under consideration, the amendments marked B, C, D and E were adopted, and the question being on its passage to be engrossed, Mr. GILBERT of Bath, moved the indefinite postponement of the bill and the motion was lost. Mr. HANSON of Gardiner, moved the previous question, and the motion was seconded by the House, and the question pending when the House adjourned was, "Shall the main question now be put."

Adjourned.

ATTEST :

### GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. DILLINGHAM of Augusta.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting for distribution an abstract of the semi-annual returns of the several banks in this State, for January, 1858.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Abraham Waterhouse, granting said petitioner leave to withdraw;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill, an act to amend chapter 116 of the Revised Statutes, reporting the bill and that it ought not to pass;

Report of same Committee, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Addison Martin and 151 others.

The foregoing reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted.

Read and accepted in concurrence.

Petition of 94 citizens of Nobleborough, for an insolvent law;

Petition of David Silsby and others of Aurora, for same;

Petition of A. P. Scammon and 30 others of Eastbrook, for same; These petitions came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Insolvent Law.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Phineas P. Jones and 161 others, for a law in relation to mill dams.

This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of William R. Ayer and 105 others, for a railroad from Milford to Aroostook river, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Referred in concurrence.

Bill, an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government. Read three times, and on motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath, the bill was laid on the table. Report of the Committee on Education, on petition of Moses Rose and others, reporting bill, an act to incorporate the Trustees of Presque Isle Academy.

This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice, and on motion of Mr. BOODY of Brunswick, it was referred to the Committee on Bills in their Third Reading, with instructions to report the same in a new draft.

Resolve in favor of Peol Sockis and Lewy Bewwit.

This resolve having had two several readings was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. BOODY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Sanford Noble, reported a resolve in favor of Sanford Noble.

Report accepted. Resolve read once, and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

Mr. BANKS, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on petition of the President and Directors of the City Bank at Biddeford, reported a bill, an act to increase the capital stock of the City Bank at Biddeford.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Mr. MORRISON, from the Committee on County Estimates, reported a resolve relating to County Estimates.

Report accepted. Resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Hiram Norton and others, reporting an order of notice by service of copy on the Clerks of the town of Orono and the city of Bangor;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of E. D. Prescott and others, ordering notice by publication of copy of petition and order of notice in the Farmington Chronicle, returnable to the present Legislature.

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These reports came from the Senate, having been read and accepted.

Read and accepted in concurrence.

Mr. LORING, from the Committee on Claims, on petition of Columbus Crockett, reported a resolve in favor of Columbus Crockett.

Report accepted. Resolve read once, and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

Mr. KINGSBURY, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill, an act to amend chapter 38 of the Revised Statutes, relating the inspection of beef and pork, reported the bill in a new draft.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill, an act to amend section 18 of chapter 66 of the Revised Statutes, relating to insolvent estates.

This bill having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. KINGSBURY, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition of Joseph W. Dyer and others, reported an order of notice by publication in the "State of Maine;"

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, reported an order of notice on petition of Edwin Fernald, by a publication in the State of Maine;

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, or order relating to the expediency of enacting a law for the preservation of government buoys and other aids to navigation in this State, reported legislation inexpedient.

The above reports were severally read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act relating to witnesses on trials of indictments. Laid on the table by Mr. PORTER of Lowell.

Read once, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence. Mr. TAPLEY, from the Judiciary Committee, on order relating to amending the 6th section of the 6th chapter of the Revised Statutes, concerning the taxation of seamen, reported legislation inexpedient.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. TAPLEY of Saco,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire what further legislation is necessary, if any, to secure the payment of fines and costs in criminal cases into the treasury of the State.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be and hereby are instructed to inquire into the expediency of an amendment of the 77th chapter of the Revised Statutes, relating to the jurisdiction of the Supreme Judicial Court sitting as a court of law, and report by bill or otherwise.

Also, to inquire whether there is need of any alteration of the law relating to the filing of offers of default in pending actions.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of John Brown and 126 others, that Waldoborough may be made the shire town of the county of Lincoln, and remonstrating against making Rockland a half shire of said county:

Petition of Ambrose Davis and others, for same;

Petition of Samuel Stone and others, for same;

Petitions of Amos M. Lash and others, for same.

These petitions were referred to the Committee on Division of Counties.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Albert Jewett, for change of name;

Petition of Ellen F. Bowers, for change of name.

These petitions were referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Petition of the County Commissioners of the county of Piscata-

quis, for the use of the jails in Penobscot and Somerset counties for five years;

Petition of Charles H. Thompson and 31 others, for an alteration in the law in regard to the settlement of boundaries.

These petitions were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Charles Pool of Bath, for appointment as agent of the State to increase the population, and enhance the resources, and encourage the settlement of the lands of the State;

Petition of B. W. Chandler and 15 others, for an appropriation to repair road in township B, R. 2, west from the east line of the State.

These petitions were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

Claim of the Treasurer of the town of Waltham, for bounty paid on wild animals;

Claim of the Treasurer of the town of Burlington, for bounty paid on wild animals.

These claims were referred to the Committee on Accounts. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the Selectmen of Eastbrook to reduce their State tax; Petition of the town of Scarborough, praying for a reduction of their State valuation.

These petitions were referred to the Joint Select Committee on Treasurer's Accounts.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the Mayor of Bath, for an appropriation to grade and fence the enclosure of the King Monument, with accompanying papers.

Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Arthur L. Grant, for pension.

Referred to the Committee on Military Pensions. Sent up for concurrence. Petition of Elkanah Spear and others, praying to be incorporated into a Religious Society.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Stephen Gould and others, praying for additional laws in relation to the inspection of lime.

Referred to the Committee on Manufactures. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Walter Foss and others of Leeds, to be incorporated into a Steam Mill and Manufacturing Company.

Referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Samuel B. Hunter and others, for an insolvent law. Referred to the Committee on Insolvent Law. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Caroline Ricker and 125 others, women, for a liquor law.

Referred to the Committee on a Liquor Law. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of George K. Jewett and others, to be incorporated into a company by the name of the Aroostook Railroad Company.

This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Réferred in concurrence.

Mr. FRENCH, from the Judiciary Committee, on petition of John Ruggles and others, reported a bill, entitled an act to change the time of holding the May term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the county of Lincoln.

Report accepted, rules suspended, bill read three times, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve to procure a statue of Major General Henry Knox. On motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais, the resolve was amended as per sheet marked B. The amendment proposed by the same gentleman as per sheet C, was rejected. The motion to amend marked D, made by Mr. BOODY of Brunswick, was rejected. On motion of Mr. BUCK of Oldtown, the House indefinitely postponed the further consideration of the resolve. Mr. DEANE of Portland moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House indefinitely postponed the resolve, and the motion was refused a passage.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 59 of the Revised Statutes, relating to marriage and its solemnization. Mr. RACKLIFFE of Wesley, moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House adopted amendments marked B and D, which motion was rejected, and the bill as amended having had three several readings, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act exempting the real and personal estate of widows from taxation.

This bill came from the Senate, that branch adhering to its vote refusing to pass the bill to be engrossed. The House adhered to the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed.

Adjourned.

ATTEST :

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. BEAN of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of John Attean and others, members of the Penobscot tribe of Indians, for a road and ferry;

Petition of the Selectmen of Lincoln, in aid of the petition of John Attean and others.

These petitions came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Henrie Dionne and others, for aid to schools in District No. 9, in Madawaska plantation, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

Referred in concurrence.

Claim of the Treasurer of the town of Eastbrook, for bounty paid on wild animals, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of William Dickey and others, for a grant of land at Fort Kent for the erection of a church and parsonage, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Henrie Dionne and 537 others, for the repeal of that part of the act incorporating Hancock plantation, in the county of Aroostook, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Referred in concurrence.

Bill, an act in addition to an act to establish the Cumberland and Oxford Canal Corporation.

This bill came from the Senate referred to the Committee on ' Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Joint Select Committee on public printing on order relative to the expediency of printing certain documents, journals, &c.;

Report of Committee on Military Pensions, granting leave to withdraw on petition of Benjamin Chadbourne and others.

These reports came from the Senate, having been read and accepted.

Accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on petition of Nathaniel Reynolds and others, reporting bill, an act to incorporate the Lewiston Works Company.

This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice, and Monday next assigned for its third reading.

Mr. STRICKLAND, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reported an order of notice on petition of George K. Jewett and others, by a publication in the Daily Whig and Courier.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. MORRISON, from the Committee on State Printing, made a report that they had contracted with Hartford & Smith of Augusta, to do the binding and stitching of the State for the present political year.

Report accepted. Contract approved. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. HOBBS, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Cyrus Bryant, reported leave to said petitioner to bring in a bill, entitled an act to set off Cyrus Bryant from Fairfield to Bloomfield;

Mr. DAVIS, from the Committee on Education, on bill, an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Charity Fund of the Maine Convention of Universalists, reported the bill and that it ought to pass.

Reports accepted. Bills read twice, and Monday next assigned for their third reading.

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Bill, an act to prevent the destruction of alewives in Sewall's pond or its outlets;

Bill, an act to increase the salary of the Recorder of the Municipal Court of the City of Portland;

Bill, an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Maine State Seminary, approved March 16, 1855;

Resolve in favor of Peol Sockis and Lewy Bewwit;

Bill, an act to amend section 10, of chapter 122, of the Revised Statutes, relating to offences against public justice.

The above bills, having each had three several readings, and the resolve two readings, and having severally been passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were passed to be enacted, the resolve finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill, an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government, taken from the table on motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais, read the third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in relation to the distribution of a portion of the United States public lands. On motion of Mr. DEANE of Portland, the House reconsidered the vote whereby it passed the resolve to be engrossed, and it was laid upon the table.

Resolve relating to County Estimates, read twice, and on motion of Mr. MILLER of Portland, it was laid on the table.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 38 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the inspection of beef and pork;

Bill, an act to increase the capital stock of the City Bank, at Biddeford;

Bill, an act to incorporate the Trustees of Presque Isle Academy, amended as per sheet A annexed, by substituting a new draft.

The above bills having each had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

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Mr. BICKNELL, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and

Bridges, reported an order of notice on petition of John Jewett and others, by a publication in the Tri-Weekly Kennebec Journal.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to define intelligibly the Northern Registry District of Aroostook county.

This bill having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HAGAR of Richmond,

Ordered, That the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture be and hereby are instructed to inquire into the expediency of repealing sections 35, 36 and 37, of chapter 38, of the Revised Statutes.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of the same gentleman,

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee examine and report the propriety and justice of altering section 30, chapter 81, of the Revised Statutes, relating to the time when a lien on real estate is ereated by attachment on mesne process, so that such attachment shall create a lien only from the time when the attested copy of the attachment is received and filed in the office of Register of Deeds.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. STRICKLAND, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of John Gardner and others, reported leave to said petitioner to bring in a resolve in favor of Samuel Clark.

Report accepted. Resolve read once, and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

Mr. KINGSBURY, from the Committee on Military Pensions, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Peter S. Folsom;

Mr. SPOONER, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Elbridge Knight.

The above reports were accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the Directors of the Long Reach Bank of Bath, for

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extension of payment of last half of stock, and for reduction of stock.

Referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Sent up for concurrence.

Claims of the Treasurers of the towns of Clifton and Greenfield, and claim of the city of Calais for bounty paid on wild animals, and accounts of the city of Bangor, were severally referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolutions of the inhabitants of Calais, relative to a liquor law; Petition of Mrs. R. W. Atwell and 190 others, of the town of Orono, for a law to prevent the sale of intoxicating liquors.

These petitions were referred to the Committee on a Liquor Law. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Richard Libbey and John Lane, on account of Land Agent's deed for land in 1856;

Petition of D. F. Adams, for survey of road from Letter H west to the Fish river road;

Petition of Joel Knights, in reference to conveyance of lands;

Petition of John Parent and others, for a grant of land to aid in erection of mill on Letter G, first range.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act relating to trustee process, additional to chapter 86 of Revised Statutes.

This bill was taken from the table, and on motion of Mr. PIKE of Topsfield, Tuesday next was assigned for its consideration.

Resolve in relation to a distribution of a portion of the public lands of the United States.

This resolve was taken up, and on motion of Mr. DEANE of Portland, the resolve was amended as per sheet A, and as amended the resolve was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve providing for the distribution of the Annual Report of

the Superintendent of Common Schools. Laid on the table by Mr. MORRISON of Farmington, and under the rules, lies over until Monday next.

Bill, an act relating to suits against Sheriff's and certain other officers.

This bill was taken up, amended as per sheet A annexed, on motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, and as amended, passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais,

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of further legislation in regard to actions of review.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. FISHER of Boothbay,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Prison be directed to examine and report upon the accounts of the State with William Bennett, Esq., late Warden of the State Prison; also to report whether a settlement has been made between said Bennett and the State since his removal from the wardenship, in the years 1855 and 1857, and that the Committee be authorized to send for persons and papers, for that purpose.

Sent up for concurrence.

The motion made by Mr. BICKNELL of Augusta, on February 10th, to reconsider the vote whereby the House refused to pass the order referring the subject of the pay of S. S. Gerrish to the Committee on the Pay Roll, was taken up, and the House refused to reconsider the vote whereby it refused the order a passage.

Bill, an act establishing a State Normal School.

This bill was taken up, and Mr. HANSON of Gardiner, moved to amend by striking out section 11 of the bill and insert therein instead thereof, the words on paper A; and the bill and amendment were laid upon the table and Tuesday next assigned for their consideration.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill, an act to

abolish imprisonment for debt, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. PRENTISS of Bangor, it was laid on the table and Wednesday next assigned for its consideration.

Mr. FRENCH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to the use of check lists in the election of town officers, reported a bill, entitled an act additional to chapter 4 of the Revised Statutes, relating to elections.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and Monday next assigned for its third reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Martha J. Bowker for divorce. The House reconsidered its vote recommitting the report with instructions, and concur with the Senate in accepting the report.

Petition of Ephraim Otis and 200 others, for an alteration of the town lines of York, Kittery and Elliot.

Referred to the Committee on Division of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of William Butler and others, for an appropriation to build a bridge over Flag Staff stream.

Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Charles Simmons and 60 others, asking for a law regulating circusses.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Isaac P. Tibbetts and 53 others, for alteration of present law regulating the catching of salmon, shad and alewives in the Kennebec river.

Referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Cherryfield Boom Company, for extension of charter. Referred to the Committee on Interior Waters. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves of the city of Rockland, in relation to making Rockland a half shire town, and furnishing rooms for the use of the Court. Referred to the Committee on Division of Counties. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Cyrus Dunn and others of Peru, for re-enactment of law of 1840, in relation to the inspection of hops.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of J. G. Blaine and others, for authority to construct a line of telegraph between Augusta and Skowhegan, connecting with other lines.

Referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Bangor, Oldtown and Milford railroad, for extension of charter.

This petition was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Joel Bean and 24 others, inhabitants of Letter G, for an act of incorporation.

Referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

ATTEST :

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

# MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1858.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker and presided during the choice of the Speaker pro tem.

On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta,

Ordered, That in the absence of the Speaker, Ezra B. French be appointed Speaker pro tem. of this House.

Read and passed.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. INGRAHAM of Augusta.

A message was transmitted to the Governor and Council by Mr. BUXTON of Warren, and also a message to the Senate by Mr. MILLIKEN of Camden, informing those branches of government that on the absence of the Speaker, the House had elected Ezra B. French Speaker *pro tem*.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of Samuel Guild and another, for leave to sell a school house, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of the Directors and Stockholders of the Skowhegan Bank to change their location, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of E. B. Hinckley and 59 others, members of Engine Company "State of Maine," in the town of Thomaston, for compensation for services, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Claims.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Edward Guy, for aid to erect carding machinery at Fort Kent, in the county of Aroostook;

Petition of Henry Dionne and others, in aid of the petition of Edward Guy.

These petitions came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Reform School, on order directing them to inquire what reductions may be made in the expenses of said institution, and also in relation to charging the expense of the inmates on the several cities and towns from which they are sent, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order as they have embraced the subject matter in a former report to this Legislature.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the proprietors of the Wildwood Cemtery Corporation, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on account of Joseph Dane, Jr. and Moses L. Appleton, for services as Bank Commissioners, reporting a resolve in favor of Joseph Dane, Jr. and Moses L. Appleton.

This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Charity Funds of the Maine Convention of Universalists;

Bill, an act to set off Cyrus Bryant from the town of Fairfield, and annex the same to the town of Bloomfield.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Lewiston Works Company.

This bill having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

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Resolve providing for the distribution of the Annual Report of the Superintendent of Common Schools.

This resolve, having been read twice, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 4 of the Revised Statutes, relating to elections.

This bill was read three times, and on motion of Mr. BUXTON of Warren, it was laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on the Reform School, on bill, an act additional to an act to establish the State Reform School, referred from the last Legislature to the present, reporting the bill and that it ought not to pass.

This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted. Read and accepted in concurrence.

Mr. PIKE, from the Judiciary Committee, reported legislation inexpedient on order relative to allowing plantations to raise money for highway uses by a two thirds vote of the electors present at their annual meeting;

Mr. HOBBS, from the Committee on Education, reported legislation inexpedient on order in relation to the expediency of re-enacting the law of 1855, requiring the Superintending School Committees of towns to apportion ten cents of the sixty cents among the small districts;

Mr. BUXTON, from the Judiciary Committee, reported legislation inexpedient on order for inquiring into the expediency of further legislation in order to give married women the right to testify in suits in which their husbands are interested.

The above reports were severally read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. FISHER, from the Committee on Fisheries, on petition of A. K. Knapp, and 46 others, reported leave to said petitioners to bring in a bill, entitled an act to prevent the destruction of trout in Howard's pond and its tributary waters in the town of Hanover.

Report accepted. Bill read, twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading. Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on petition of Joel Bean and others, ordering notice by a publication in the Aroostook Pioneer.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted. Read and accepted in concurrence.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 4 of the Revised Statutes, relating to elections.

On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, this bill was taken from the table, and to-morrow assigned for its consideration.

Petition of Charles Everett and others, for an examination of the slate, iron, and other minerals in the county of Piscataquis, and for explorations and survey of railroad route from Belfast or Frankfort through the mineral region of Piscataquis to Aroostook, and for an appropriation for the same. Presented by Mr. MERRILL of Williamsburg, and on his motion laid upon the table.

Petition of Robert P. Chase of Frankfort, for compensation for injuries received while in service of the State.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Mary Prentiss and 85 other women of Oxford county, for legislation to suppress the traffic in intoxicating drinks.

Referred to the Committee on the Liquor Law.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of S. A. Morse and others, members of Machias Log Driving Company, for amendment of the act of incorporation;

Petition of B. S. Cilley and 65 others, for a law to prevent the destruction of fish in Sebec pond.

These petitions were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Levi L. Lowell and others, for act of incorporation of Union Gas Company;

Petition of H. Boynton and others, for an act to incorporate a Fire Insurance Company in the town of Detroit.

These petitions were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of H. P. Blood and 37 others, for aid to the East Maine Conference Seminary;

Petition of O. R. Wilson and 57 others of Eastport, for same. . These petitions were referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of A. S. Hill and others, praying for repeal or change in the present pauper law.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of Henry A. Harriman and others, against the petition of Ebenezer Brown and others.

Referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Achorn Lime Rock Company, for change in charter. Referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of G. W. Pickering and others, for relief of part of their taxes on township No. 6, in the 4th range, in Aroostook county;

Petition of. Phillis Russell, for a deed of lot number 38 in township No. 4, Indian purchase.

These petitions were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Josiah Bruce and others of Patricktown, that Waldoborough may be made the shire town of Lincoln county, and against making Rockland a half shire town of said county;

Petition of Samuel Little and others, for same;

Petition of James Fossett and others, for same;

Petition of Eliphalet Pettingill and others of township No. 2, Hancock county, to be set off from Hancock county and annexed to Penobscot county;

Petition of S. G. Ward and 56 others, citizens of Aroostook county, for division of said county.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Counties.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Samuel Libbey and 52 others, to have that part of Orono situated on Marsh Island incorporated into a separate town;

Petition of Leonard C. Cook and 21 others, citizens of York, to be set off from said town and annexed to the towns of Elliot and Kittery.

These petitions were referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais,

Ordered, That the Joint Standing Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of making changes in the present Statutes relating to the collection of executions against towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. ROGERS of Stetson,

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee inquire into the expediency of repealing section 38, chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BUXTON of Warren,

Ordered, That the Joint Committee on the Judiciary be requested to inquire into the expediency of amending the third section of chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the survey of wood and bark.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. DEANE of Portland,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House be and hereby is directed to procure from the State Library a copy of the Revised Statutes, and deliver the same to the Journal reporter for his own use in the discharge of his professional duties, conditioned that said reporter return the same to the Library at the adjournment of the Legislature.

Read and passed.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

# GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1858.

### Prayer by Rev. Mr. BARTLETT of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of D. H. Northey and others, of Jefferson, praying that Patricktown plantation may be incorporated;

Petition of Peter Dunton and others, for same;

Petition of E. S. Weeks and others, for same;

Petition of Erastus F. Weeks and others, for same.

These petitions came from the Senate referred to the Committee • on Incorporation of Towns.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of George Woods and 70 others, of Yarmouth, for a Normal School, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Albion J. Potter and 72 others, of Bath for an increase of fees allowed officers for travel and service of precepts in civil cases, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, on order in relation to appropriation for schools in Madawaska, Hancock and Van Buren, reporting a resolve in favor of Madawaska, Hancock and Van Buren plantations.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Petition of Freeman Grover and 21 others, for a Mutual Marine Insurance Company;

Bill, an act granting cities and towns the privilege of forming themselves into Mutual Fire Insurance Companies.

This petition and bill were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Joseph Dane, Jr. and Moses L. Appleton.

This resolve having had two several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Resolve in relation to the distribution of a portion of the United States public lands.

This resolve came from the Senate, that branch nonconcurring with the House in amending the resolve as per sheet A, and then recommitted the resolve to the Committee on Education. The House receded from its vote amending the resolve, and the vote whereby the House passed the resolve to be engrossed, and concurred with the Senate in recommitting the report.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Trustees of Presque Isle Academy.

This bill came from the Senate, that branch refusing to concur with the House in substituting sheet A as a new draft of the bill, and insisting on its vote passing the bill to be engrossed. The House reconsidered the vote whereby it adopted sheet A as the substitute for the original bill, and passed the bill to be engrossed, in goncurrence.

Bill, an act to prevent the destruction of trout in Howard's pond and its tributary waters, in the town of Hanover;

Bill, an act additional to chapter 4 of the Revised Statutes, relating to elections.

These bills having each had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act for the suppression of certain common nuisances. Laid on the table by Mr. TAPLEY of Saco, and referred to the Committee on the Liquor Law.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act additional to an act to incorporate the City of Portland. Laid on the table by Mr. MILLER of Portland. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act for the preservation of certain useful birds. Laid on the table by Mr. DEANE of Portland.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. PIKE of Calais, introduced the following order, which, on motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath, was indefinitely postponed:

Ordered, That members and Committees of the House who have taken the copies of the Revised Statutes belonging to the House, whether feloniously or otherwise, be requested to return them to the Clerk's desk forthwith.

Bill, an act to amend sections 50 and 54 of chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes, relating to Banks and Banking. Reported by Mr. MARSHALL, from the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Petition of William H. Wood and 111 others, teachers in Franklin county, in favor of a Normal School;

Petition of W. F. Moody and 18 others, for same;

Petition of David F. Noyes and 27 others, for same;

Petition of N. C. Harris and 20 others, for same;

Petition of Warren Brown and 20 others, for same;

Petition of John Elliot and 8 others, for same;

Petition of William J. Robinson and others, asking for aid to East Maine Conference Seminary.

The above petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of David Brown and 45 others, asking aid of the State for injuries sustained by the wife of said Brown at the South Kennebec Agricultural Fair at Gardiner in September, 1857;

Petition of David Brown and 10 others, for same;

Petition of David Brown and 33 others, for same.

The above petitions were taken from the table on motion of Mr. HAGAR of Richmond. Petition of Levi E. Marble and 14 others, asking increase of fees to officers for service of precepts in civil matters;

Petition of Charles E. White and 12 others, for same;

Petition of Charles E. White and 16 others of Topsham, for a repeal of so much of the 113th chapter of the Revised Statutes as authorizes an officer holding a debtor under arrest, upon execution, to take such debtor before a magistrate for disclosure without bond;

Petition of Elias H. Witham and 19 others, for same;

Petition of David Bronson and 14 others, members of the Bar in Sagadahoc county, for repeal of so much of the 18th section of chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes as relates to specifications of defence, or so amend it as to cure existing evils under its rule.

The foregoing petitions were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of Abram Rich and 83 others of the town of Farmingdale, against the petition of David Wing and others to be reannexed to the city of Gardiner;

Remonstrance of Augustus Ballard and 52 others, against the same;

Remonstrance of Nathaniel Kimball, against the same.

These remonstrances were referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Andrew Sturtevant and 105 others of the town of Fayette, for a Mutual Fire Insurance Company, with a bill accompanying, were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of John B. Blood and 48 others, praying that the law respecting moose and deer may be so altered as to prevent their being hunted with dogs at any season of the year.

Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Almira A. Kimball and others, in aid of the petition of the Achorn Lime Rock Company.

Referred to the Committee on Manufactures. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Joel Foss and 48 others, in aid of the petition of S. G. Ward and others, for a division of Aroostook county.

Referred to the Committee on Division of Counties. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of President and Directors of Richmond Bank, for leave to reduce its capital stock.

Referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking. Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of Edmund Bowker and others, against the petition of Martha J. Bowker for divorce.

Referred to the Committee to which was referred the petition of David C. Elliot for divorce.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. FISHER, from the Committee on Fisheries, on petition of S. D. Sprague and 7 others, reported leave to said petitioners to bring in a bill, entitled an act to prevent the destruction of pickerel in Meadow pond or its tributary waters, in the town of Islesborough.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill, an act to provide for a State Normal School, was taken up. Mr. HANSON of Gardiner, withdrew the amendment offered by him, and on motion of Mr. BOODY of Brunswick, the bill was laid on the table.

Order directing the petition of Darius Forbes, Thomas Mabry and others, corporators of the Maine State Agricultural Society, to be taken from the files and placed before the Committee on Agriculture, came from the Senate having been read and passed.

Read and passed in concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Maine Universalist Missionary Society;

Bill, an act additional to chapter 77 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Supreme Judicial Court;

Bill, an act additional to an act to preserve the harbor of Portland; Bill, an act to incorporate the Lewiston Works Company.

These bills, having each had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, were severally passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill, an act relating to trustee process, additional to chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes.

This bill was taken up, and the question being upon reconsidering the vote whereby the House refused to concur in the amendment of the bill as made by the Senate. Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, moved that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and the House so ordered, and upon being taken the House refused to reconsider its vote by yeas 45, nays 66.

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Bailey, Buck, Bucknam, Buxton, Cunningham, Comstock, E. Davis, J. H. Drummond, R. R. Drummond, Estes, Flye, French, Gilbert, Goodale, Hersey, Hill, Holt, Johnson, Judkins, H. Kingsbury, Leighton, C. E. Libbey, Marcyes, Marshall, Mayberry, McGlauffin, MerritLew, Miller, J. L. Moor, Parker, Parsons, Pattee, Pettengill, Pike, J. Porter, Prentiss, Rice, B. Smith, Stanley, Tapley, Walsh, Weeks, Wheeler, Woodbury, Woodman. Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Babbidge, Banks, Batchelder, Bean, Bicknell, Blaisdell, Boody, Bowen, Brown, Bunker, Case, S. J. Chadbourne, Chick, A. H. Clark, Cowell, Clements, Conant, Deane, Dunn, Field, Fuller, Gilkey, Hagar, J. Hall, Hanson, Hale, Hobbs, Keene, C. A. Kimball, S. Kingsbury, T. R. Kingsbury, Knapp, Lane, J. Libbey, Longfellow, Maddocks, Merrill, L. S. Moore, Morrison, Nutting, Oliver, T. Parkes, Percy, Perkins, Palmer, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Rackliff, Ranney, Rogers, Rowell, Sally, Sawyer, Sherman, Skillin, Skinner, W. C. Smith, Snow, W. H. Sweat, Tibbets, Tillson, Trussell, Waterhouse, Whitney, Wing, York.

On motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath, the House voted to adhere to its vote by which it refused to pass the bill to be engrossed, and the bill was returned to the Senate.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

# GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. FELCH of Hallowell.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of John West and 110 others, citizens of Franklin, for an insolvent law, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on an Insolvent Law.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Osgood E. Fuller and 58 others, teachers in Oxford county, for a Normal School;

Petition of George M. Gage and 113 others, teachers in Cumberland county, for same.

These petitions came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

Referred in concurrence.

Remonstrance of the Atlantic and St. Lawrence Railroad Company, against the petition of F. O. J. Smith, President of Portland and Oxford Central Railroad Company.

This remonstrance came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims upon the petition of John K. Killsa, reporting a resolve in favor of John K. Killsa.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted and the resolve indefinitely postponed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Resolve read once, and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill, an act in addition to an act to establish the Cumberland and Oxford Canal Corporation, reporting an order of notice by publication in the Portland Advertiser and Eastern Argus.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted. Read and accepted in concurrence. Resolve in favor of Sanford Noble;

Resolve in favor of Samuel Clark;

Resolve in favor of L. T. Boothby and Charles Turner.

The above resolves having each had two several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Henry Upton;

Resolve in favor of Daniel Winslow;

The foregoing resolves having each been read twice, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. FIELD, from the Committee on Agriculture, on petition of Stephen L. Goodale, reported a resolve in favor of Stephen L. Goodale.

Report accepted. Resolve read once, and Wednesday, February 24th, assigned for its second reading.

Resolve in favor of Columbus Crockett, was read twice, and on motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, it was laid on the table.

Resolve in favor of Madawaska, Hancock and Van Buren plantations. The House non-concurred with the Senate in passing the resolve to be engrossed, and recommitted it to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Southport Mutual Fishing Insnrance Company, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of the State Agricultural Society, for the adoption of measures for the settlement and sale of the public lands, was taken from the table on motion of Mr. MILLER of Portland, and referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported legislation inexpedient on an order instructing said Committee to inquire into the expediency of defining the jurisdiction of towns and county commissioners over roads, the right to which has been acquired by user.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. TAPLEY, from the Committee on the Liquor Law, reported a bill, entitled an act for the suppression of certain common nuisances.

This bill was read twice, and on motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, the bill was laid on the table and 350 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. COMSTOCK of Lubec, the memorial accompanying the petition of Charles A. Everett and others, relating to an examination of the mineral resources of the county of Piscataquis, and for a railroad route from said county to Belfast or Frankfort, was taken from the table and 3000 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. PORTER of Lowell,

Ordered, That the petition of Charles K. Miller and others, presented to the last Legislature, and upon which notice was ordered returnable to the present Legislature, be taken from the files and referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. SPOONER of New Portland,

Ordered, That the Committee on Accounts be and hereby are directed to ascertain the number of Clerks and all other persons at present employed in and about the Capitol at the expense of the State, not chosen by the people, or by the Legislature, for what purposes, and at what salaries, whether any reduction can be made in the same so as to reduce the expenditures, and report to this House on or before the first day of March next.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. BROWN of Wilton, introduced the following order, which, on motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath, was laid on the table:

Ordered, That after February 17th, the hour of meeting for this House be fixed at 9 o'clock A. M., except on Monday. Mr. WOODMAN, from the Judiciary Committee, on bill, an act in addition to chapter 71 of the Revised Statutes, in relation to the sale of land warrants by executors and administrators, reported the bill in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. MORRISON from the Committee on Education, on bill, an act to incorporate the First Universalist Church in Rockland, reported the bill, and that it ought to pass.

The above reports were severally accepted. Bills each read twice, and to-morrow assigned for their third reading.

Mr. PRENTISS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of G. L. Boynton and others, reported leave to said petitioners to bring in a bill, entitled an act to amend the City Charter of Bangor, so that aldermen and councilmen shall not hold subordinate offices.

Report accepted, rules suspended, bill was read three times, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. BUXTON, from the Judiciary Committee, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to the expediency of granting a right of appeal from the action of two or more joint Boards of County Commissioners in the laying out of ways.

On motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath, the report was laid upon the table.

Bill, an act to amend sections 50 and 54 of chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes, relating to Banks and Banking, was recommitted to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on bill, an act to abolish imprisonment for debt, was taken up, and to-morrow assigned for its consideration.

Bill, an act to increase the capital stock of the City Bank at Biddeford;

Bill, an act to incorporate the Trustees of Presque Isle Academy;

Bill, an act to define intelligibly the Northern Registry District of Aroostook county;

Bill, an act to change the time of holding the May Term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the county of Lincoln; Bill, an act to prevent the destruction of fish in Jackson pond, so called, in the town of Concord;

Resolve in favor of incorporated plantations.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and the resolve read twice, and having severally been passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were passed to be enacted, and the resolve was finally passed. The bills and resolve were signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of Joseph Dane, Jr., and Moses L. Appleton.

On motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais, the House reconsidered the vote whereby it passed the resolve to be engrossed, and recommitted it to the Committee on Claims, with instructions to consider the claim and report thereon.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Charles H. Adams and 133 others, citizens of Portland, in aid of the petition of Daniel Winslow and others, to be incorporated to introduce pure water into the city of Portland;

Petition of S. Myrick and others, for same;

Petition of O. G. Cook and others, for same.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on the petition of Samuel Guild and another, ordering notice.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted. Read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries on petition of Işaac P. Tibbetts and others, ordering notice by publication in the "American Sentinel."

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted. Read and accepted, in concurrence.

#### On motion of Mr. TAPLEY of Saco.

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee be instructed to inquire

what amendments, if any, are necessary to be made to chapter 105 of the Revised Statutes, and report by bill, or otherwise.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. FLYE, from the Committee on Accounts, on the accounts of the city of Bangor for support of State paupers at Maine Insane Hospital, reported, asking to be discharged from their further consideration, and recommending that they be referred to the Governor and Council.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Wm. P. Lamson and 75 others, in aid of petition for geological examination of the mineral resources of the county of Piscataquis, and for an exploration and survey of a railroad route from Belfast or Frankfort through the mineral regions of Piscataquis to Aroostook;

Petition of Cyrus Hill and 56 others, for same;

Petition of C. H. B. Woodbury and others, for same;

Petition of Joseph Chase and others, for same;

Petition of T. S. Pullen and others, for same.

The above petitions were presented by Mr. MERRILL of Williamsburg, and on his motion, they were laid on the table.

Petition of B. D. Metcalf and 42 others, for a State Normal School;

Petition of M. L. Whitten and 38 others, of Etna, for same;

Petition of E. G. Carpenter and 24 others, of Newcastle, for same;

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of Robert Hanley and 240 others, against the petition of Stephen Young and others.

Referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Charles W. Lowell and 88 others, in aid of the petition of R. S. Sibley and others, for preservation of fish in Sebec pond.

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Referred to the Committee on Fisheries. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of William Willis and others, citizens of Portland, in aid of the memorial of the State Agricultural Society, for the promotion of the settlement and sale of the public lands of Maine.

Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of H. Clay Smith and 4 others, to be incorporated under the name of the Plumbago Mining Company.

Referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance. Sent up for concurrence.

The House reconsidered the vote whereby it assigned to-morrow for the consideration of the report of the Committee on the Judiciary on the bill, entitled an act to abolish imprisonment for debt, and it was taken up. Mr. PORTER of Lowell, moved to recommit the report with instructions to the Committee to report the bill accompanying the report, and Mr. RANNEY of Winn, moved that that question be taken by yeas and nays, and the House so ordered. On motion of Mr. HANSON of Gardiner, the report was laid on the table and Friday next assigned for its consideration.

Bill, an act to provide for a State Normal School. On motion of Mr. BOODY of Brunswick, this bill was taken up and to-morrow assigned for its consideration

Bill, an act to prevent the destruction of pickerel in Meadow pond or its tributary waters in the town of Islesborough.

This bill having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

ATTEST :

#### GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. BUTTERFIELD of Hallowell.

Papers from the Senate.

Resolutions of Citizens' Temperance Society of Orland, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Liquor Law.

Referred in concurrence.

Bill, an act accepting the surrender of the charter of the Mariners' Bank.

This bill came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. On motion of Mr. HAGAR of Richmond, the bill was laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on petition of D. A. Fairbanks for pay as a member of the Board of Agriculture, reporting leave to withdraw.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted. On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, the report was laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Philander Fletcher and others, for increase of bounty on wolves and bears;

Report of the same Committee, reporting legislation inexpedient on order relating to increase of bounty on wolves and bears;

Report of same Committee, reporting legislation inexpedient on order to amend the law relating to Agricultural Societies;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting legislation inexpedient on order in relation to amending section 3, of chapter 41, of the Revised Statutes.

These reports came from the Senate, having been read and accepted. They were severally read and accepted in concurrence.

Petition of William R. Hersey and others, in aid of sundry petitions for a railroad from Milford to Aroostook, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of James Erskine and 46 others, for aid to East Maine Conference Seminary, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Sumner Burnham and 24 others, of Harrison, for a law requiring conditional notes, usually known as Holmes' notes, to be recorded same as mortgages of personal property, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Referred in concurrence.

Remonstrance of William H. Mills and 25 others, of the city of Bangor, against the annexation of any portion of the town of Orono to the city of Bangor, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Referred in concurrence.

Mr. ARNOLD, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of Amos M. Roberts and others, reported granting said petitioners leave to bring in a bill, entitled an act to secure the safety and convenience of travelers on railroads.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and on motion of Mr. MOR-RISON of Farmington, the bill was laid on the table and 350 copies of the bill ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. PIKE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred sundry orders relating to liens on vessels, reported a bill, an act to provide for enforcing liens on vessels.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and on motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais, the bill was laid on the table and 350 copies of the bill ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. KINGSBURY, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill, an act granting to cities and towns the right to form themselves into Mutual Fire Insurance Companies, reported the bill and that it ought not to pass;

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, reported leave to withdraw on petition of N. McClure and others;

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on bill, an act to amend chapter 609 of the private and special laws of 1856, entitled an act to incorporate the Biddeford Fire Insurance Company, reported the bill and that it ought not to pass:

Mr. PATTEE, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on petition of Erastus F. Weeks and others, reported an order of notice by service of copy on the clerk of Patricktown plantation.

The above reports were severally read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the First Universalist Church in Rockland.

This bill having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. KINGSBURY, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition of Arno Wiswell and others, reported granting leave to said petitioners to bring in a bill, entitled an act to incorporate the Ellsworth Gas Light Company.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

On motion of Mr. PRENTISS of Bangor,

The House reconsidered the vote whereby it passed the order yesterday, directing the petition of Charles K. Miller and others, to be taken from the files and referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, and the order was laid on the table.

Resolve in favor of Parker P. Burleigh. Laid on the table by Mr. DAVIS of Fairfield.

Rules suspended, resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Petition of John Wakefield and 460 others, to make Rockland a half shire town of Lincoln county;

Petition of Robert Robinson and 73 others, of Waldoborough, that Waldoborough may be made the shire town of Lincoln county, and remonstrating against making Rockland a half shire town;

Petition of William Bradford and 49 others, for same;

Petition of Samuel T. Hinds and 32 others, for same;

Petition of Samuel Kalloch and 63 others, for same;

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Petition of Nathaniel Tobey and others, for same;

Petition of Reuben Orff and others, for same.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Counties.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Nathaniel Wilson and others, for a Normal School;

Petition of T. F. Hovey and others, for same;

Petition of J. W. Smith and 72 others, for same.

The above petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of William Baker and 29 others, for alteration of law regulating mills.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of Christopher Cushing and 21 others, against the petition of Isaac P. Tibbetts and others, for a law to regulate the salmon, shad and alewive fishery in the Kennebec river.

Referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to provide for a State Normal School.

This bill being under consideration, Mr. MOOR of Ellsworth, moved to amend the bill as per sheet A, and Mr. HANSON of Gardiner, moved to amend as per sheet B, and on motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath, the bill was laid upon the table.

Bill, an act to set off Cyrus F. Bryant, together with certain real estate, from the town of Fairfield and annex the same to the town of Bloomfield;

Bill, an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Charity Funds of the Maine Convention of Universalists;

Resolve providing for the distribution of the Annual Report of the Superintendent of Common Schools;

Resolve in favor of Henry Upton.

The foregoing bills, having each had three several readings, and the resolves having had two several readings, and each passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were passed to be enacted, and the resolves finally passed, and they were signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

The order which passed the House yesterday, on motion of Mr. SPOONER of New Portland, in relation to instructing the Committee on Accounts to make inquiry concerning the number of clerks now employed about the capitol, came from the Senate amended as per sheet A, and, as amended, passed.

The order being under consideration, on motion Mr. COMSTOCK of Lubec, the order was amended as per sheet B, and, as amended, passed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

## GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Young of Augusta.

Mr. SARGENT, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Ephraim Otis and others, reported an order of notice by service of copy upon the clerks of the towns of York, Elliot and Kittery. On motion of Mr. HOBBS of Waterford, the report was recommitted with instructions as on sheet A annexed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Godfrey Lydick, reporting order of notice;

Report of same Committee, granting leave to withdraw on petition of Stephen Young and others. Also, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of John Davis and others;

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of David Talbot.

The above reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted.

Read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, on resolve recommitted to said Committee entitled, resolve in relation to the distribution of a portion of the public lands belonging to the United States, reporting the resolve and that it ought to pass.

Report accepted. Resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Trustees of West Gardiner Academy;

Bill, an act to divide the Congregational Parish in the town of Sanford, in the county of York.

These bills came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. HAGAR of Richmond, these bill were laid on the table. Petition of H. Clay Smith and 4 others, to be incorporated under the name of the Plumbago Mining Company.

This petition came from the Senate, that branch refusing to concur with the House in referring it to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, and referring the same to the next Legislature.

On motion of Mr. HAGAR of Richmond, the petition was laid on the table.

Resolve in favor of Joseph Dane, Jr., and Moses L. Appleton.

This resolve came from the Senate, that branch insisting on the vote whereby it passed the resolves to be engrossed, and proposing a conference of the two Houses, and appointing Messrs. Woodbury of Oxford, Carleton of Lincoln, and Burbank of Cumberland, as conferences on the part of the Senate.

The House voted to insist on the vote recommitting the report; agreed to the proposition of a conference, and appointed Messrs. Pike of Calais, Johnson of Augusta, and Woodman of Bucksport, as conferences on the part of the House.

Order from the Senate in relation to actions founded on breach of promise of marriage, came from the Senate having been read and passed.

Read and passed in concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Lewiston Works Company,

This bill came from the Senate, that branch having reconsidered the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed, and amended the bill as per sheet  $\Lambda$ , and, as amended, passed the bill to be engrossed.

The House refused to concur with the Senate in adopting amendment A, and insisted on its former vote passing the bill to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on petition of Josiah P. Bean, reporting a resolve in favor of Josiah P. Bean.

This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the resolve indefinitely postponed. Report accepted in concurrence. Resolve read once, and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

Mr. KINGSBURY, from the Committee on Military Pensions, reported leave to withdraw on petition of John Lamson;

Mr. CHICK, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reported leave to withdraw on petition of the inhabitants of Medford;

Mr. PARSONS, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported leave to withdraw on petition of William Dickey and others.

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Judiciary Committee, reported an order of notice on petition of Ephraim Alley, 2d, and others, by publication in the Tri-Weekly Journal;

Mr. BEAN, from the Committee on Military Pensions, reported reference to the next Legislature on petition of Arthur L. Grant for pension;

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to the expediency of altering section 16, chapter 91, of the Revised Statutes, reporting legislation inexpedient.

The foregoing reports were severally read and accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act concerning exemptions of parties and witnesses from arrest and imprisonment, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Litchfield,

Ordered, That the joint order of this Legislature providing that all petitions asking for private legislation should be referred to the next Legislature, the Senate concurring, be and hereby is rescinded.

The rules were suspended, and the order read and passed.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MILLIKEN of Camden,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Militia be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so altering section 88, of chapter 10, of the Revised Statutes, that when any tumult or riot shall occur, that the Selectmen of the town and Mayor and Aldermen of the city where such disturbance shall take place, may notify the commanding officer of any military company, who shall be at liberty to call out his company to suppress such violence, without an order from the Commander-in-Chief.

Read and passed.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MERRILL of Williamsburg,

Ordered, That the Land Agent be directed to embrace in his report under the order of the House of Representatives of the 28th ultimo, a list of all such townships and tracts of land in this State as are under permits from the Land Agents of Massachusetts or Maine, having more than ten years to run.

Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. WASSON of Brooksville,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be directed to lay before the Committee on Accounts the claims of the Treasurer of Orland, for bounty on wild animals for the year 1856.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PRATT of Oxford,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary to be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 91, section 1, of the Revised Statutes, by striking out the word "thirty," before "dollars" in the second line, and substituting the word "five," and report by bill or otherwise.

Sent up for concurrence.

The order directing the Committee on Accounts to ascertain the number of clerks and other persons employed in and about the capitol, not elected by the people or by the Legislature, came from the Senate, that branch refusing to concur with the House in adopting amendment B, and insisting on the vote passing the order amended as per sheet A.

The House reconsidered the vote amending the order as per sheet B, and concurred with the Senate in passing the order as amended by sheet  $\Lambda$ .

Resolve in favor of Parker P. Burleigh.

This resolve having had two several readings, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. FLYE, from the Committee on Accounts on claim of the city of Calais, reported that a part of said claim was provided for in Roll of Accounts No. 38, and recommending the balance of six dollars to be referred to the next Legislature, as it was for claims for bounty on animals killed in 1858.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. PRENTISS, from the Judiciary Committee, on bill, an act to incorporate Mount Hope Cemetery Corporation, reported the bill and that it ought to pass.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Mr. FLYE, from the Committee on Accounts, on sundry accounts referred to them, report in part, a resolve providing for the payment of Roll of Accounts No. 38.

Report accepted. Resolve read once, and Wednesday, February 24th, assigned for its second reading.

Resolve in favor of Daniel Winslow;

Bill, an act to prevent the destruction of trout in Howard's pond . and its tributary waters, in the town of Hanover;

Bill, an act to amend chapter 38 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the inspection of beef and pork;

Bill, an act additional to chapter 4 of the Revised Statutes, relating to elections.

The above resolve having had two several readings, and the bills having had three several readings each, and each passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the resolve was finally passed, the bills passed to be enacted, and they were signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. BEAN, from the Committee on Military Pensions, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Nath'l Hanscom. Report recommitted. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. GILBERT, from the Judiciary Committee, on orders directing inquiry into the expediency of altering sections 30 and 33 of chapter 18, and section 41 of chapter 6, and on order relating to the expediency of amending the law relating to the duty of County Commissioners in giving notice when called upon to lay out roads in unincorporated places, reported a bill entitled an act to amend chapters 6 and 18 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the location and repair of roads in unincorporated places.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and on motion of Mr. MAYO of Orono, it was laid on the table and 350 copies of the bill ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. FISHER, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported leave to withdraw on petition of George Guptill and another.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. WEEKS, from the Committee on Manufactures, on petition of Samuel Gibson and others, reported granting leave to said petitioners to bring in a bill entitled an act to incorporate the Master, Wardens and Members of Vassalborough Lodge.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Mr. BOODY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petitions of H. Sibberman and Charles Pool, reported a resolve in relation to the settlement of the public lands.

Report accepted. Resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Mr. TAPLEY, from the Judiciary Committee, reported legislation inexpedient on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to costs in criminal prosecutions.

On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, it was laid on the table.

Bill, an act for the preservation of trout and pickerel in Sebago

lake, Long pond, Brandy pond, and Crooked river. Laid on the table by Mr. DEANE of Portland.

Referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Ellsworth Gas Light Company.

This bill having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of John C. Willard and 58 others, in aid of the petition of Charles A. Everett and others for geological examination of the mineral region of Piscataquis, and for exploration and survey of railroad route from Belfast or Frankfort through the mineral region of Piscataquis to Aroostook. Presented by Mr. MERRILL of Williamsburg, and on his motion, laid on the table.

Petition of S. B. Harriman and 13 others, to be set off from Glenburn and annexed to the town of Kenduskeag;

Remonstrance of George Stetson and others, against the prayer of the petition of H. Waugh and others for the incorporation of a town from a part of Levant, Glenburn and Kenduskeag.

The above petition and remonstrance were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the inhabitants of Orland, for the control of the fisheries in Eastern river.

Referred to the next Legislature.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of B. A. Watson and others, citizens of the town of Gorham, for a change of the law relating to the location of school houses;

Remonstrance of Samuel M. Bradley and others of the town of Limington, against the establishment of a State Normal School.

The above petition and remonstrance were referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of B. Shaw and others, in aid of petition of Henry Boynton and others for an act of incorporation of a Fire Insurance Company in Detroit.

Referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of A. K. P. Lunt and 18 others of Islandport, for a repeal of their act of incorporation.

Referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Ephraim Otis and others, came from the Senate, with notice ordered by a service of copy upon the Clerks of the towns of York, Elliot and Kittery ten days before the 10th of March next, and by publication in the Saco Democrat and the Union and Journal.

Mr. JOIINSON of Augusta, moved to recommit the report with instructions as per sheet A.

Mr. PIKE of Calais, moved that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and the House so ordered, and being so taken, the House voted so to recommit, by yeas 72, nays 45, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Arnold, Babbidge, Bailey, Bean, Bicknell, Blaisdell, Boody, Bowen, Brown, Buck, Bunker, Buxton, Chick, A. H. Clark, E. Clark, Cowell, Clements, Comstock, E. Davis, J. Davis, Deane, J. H. Drummond, R. R. Drummond, Dunn, Field, French, Gilkey, Goodale, Hagar, J. Hall, J. E. Hall, Hill, Holt, Johnson, Judkins, C. A. Kimball, S. Kingsbury, Leighton, Maddocks, Marcyes, Marshall, Mayo, MerritLew, Merrill, Miller, J. L. Moor, Morrison, Parsons, Perkins, Pettengill, F. A. Pike, Plummer, J. Porter, Pratt, Prentiss, Quint, Rackliffe, Ranney, Roak, Rogers, Sherman, Spooner, Stanley, Strickland, Tillson, Wadlin, Walsh, Waterhouse, Weeks, Wing, Woodbury, Woodman, York.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Andrews, Batchelder, H. M. Chadbourne, S. J. Chadbourne, Cunningham, Fisher, Flye, Fuller, Gilbert, Hanson, Hersey, Hobbs, Ingalls, Jones, Keene, Knapp, C. E. Libbey, J. Libbey, Longfellow, Mayberry, McGlauflin, Milliken, Oliver, J. Palmer, W. H. Palmer, Parker, T. Parkes, Pattee, Percy, Pierce, H. Pike, J. B. Pike, S. R. Porter, Rideout, Sawyer, A. Shaw, B. Smith, W. C. Smith, Snow, Stockbridge, W. H. Sweat, Tibbets, Trussell, Wheeler, Whitney.

Adjourned.

ATTEST :

# GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

#### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. MOORE of Hallowell.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill, an act to incorporate the Southport Mutual Fishing Insurance Company.

This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Rules suspended, bill read three times and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Robert Martin. Also, reporting legislation inexpedient on order in relation to paying Enoch Hoyt;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on resolves for change of the Constitution relating to removals from office by impeachment and address, reporting the resolves and that they ought not to pass;

Report of the Joint Select Committee to which was referred the petition of David C. Elliot for divorce, reporting leave to withdraw. Also, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Benjamin Brookings;

Report of the Penobscot delegation on bill, an act to provide for the transcribing conveyances, recorded in Lincoln and Hancock, of lands lying in Penobscot county, reporting the bill and that it ought not to pass.

The above reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted.

They were severally read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on petition of A. M. Tolman and others, reporting a bill entitled, an act to incorporate the town of Prentiss.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice. Amendment

as on sheet A, moved by Mr. PORTER of Lowell, and Monday next assigned for the third reading of the bill.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Master, Warden and Members of Vassalborough Lodge;

Bill, an act to incorporate Mount Hope Cemetery Corporation; Resolve in relation to the settlement of the public lands:

Resolve in relation to the distribution of a portion of the public lands belonging to the United States.

The above bills, having each had three several readings, and the resolves having had two several readings each, and bills and resolves reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, they were severally passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

The order introduced by Mr. BROWN of Wilton, on February 17, in relation to meeting at 9 o'clock A. M., was taken up, amended by striking out "17th" and inserting "22d," and, as amended, the House refused to pass the order.

Mr. PARSONS, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Richard Libbey and John Lane.

Report accepted. \* Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HALL of Gorham,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the propriety of so amending sections 19 and 20 of chapter 83 of the Revised Statutes, as to allow a Justice of the Peace, who by reason of age, infirmity, or any other good and sufficient cause, may wish so to do, to deposit the papers pertaining to his office with the Clerk of the Courts, in the same manner as is provided in case of death or removal from the State.

Also to inquire into the propriety of amending section 21 of the same chapter, by striking out the word "two" in the second line, and inserting "six."

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of Ephraim Otis and others, ordering notice;

Also reporting leave to withdraw on petition of David Wing and others.

These reports came from the Senate, having been read and accepted. They were severally read and accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. ROWELL of Hallowell,

Ordered, That the first hour of each morning session be set apart for the disposal of morning business, and that whenever any matter shall be taken up during the morning hour on which any member may express a desire to speak, it shall be laid aside without debate or motion until the hour expire, or until the undebateable matters be disposed of.

Read and passed.

Petition of Jeremiah Hall and 103 others, for a law to tax church edifices and the salaries of clergymen; and

Petition of Enoch Haskell and others, for same.

Presented by Mr. BOWEN of Portland, who moved their reference to the Committee on Education.

The Speaker held the motion out of order, as the Legislature had definitely acted on the subject matter of these petitions during the present session.

On motion of Mr. PORTER of Lowell, the petitions were laid on the table.

Bill, an act relating to the Harbor Commissioners of Portland harbor. Laid on the table by Mr. MILLER of Portland.

Rules suspended. Bill read three times, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. HOBBS, from the Committee on Division of Towns, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Thomas J. Haines and others.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Edward Ulmer and others, in aid of petitions praying that Rockland may be made a half shire town for Lincoln county; Petition of L. C. Pease and others, for same; Petition of E. W. Pendleton and others, for same; Petition of S. G. Dennis and others, for same; Petition of Calvin Hall and others, for same; Petition of O. J. Conant and others, for same. These petitions were severally referred to the Con

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Counties.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. PRENTISS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to payment of compound interest on school money in unincorporated townships, reported a bill, entitled an act to amend section 15th of chapter 5th of the Revised Statutes, relating to lands reserved for public uses.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and on motion of Mr. RAN-NEY of Winn, the bill was laid on the table.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Lewiston Works Company.

This bill came from the Senate, that branch insisting on its vote passing the bill to be engrossed amended as per sheet A, and proposing a conference of the two Houses, and appointing Messrs. West, Sargent and McClusky as conference on the part of the Senate.

The House reconsidered the vote whereby it non-concurred with the Senate in adopting amendment A, concurred with the Senate in adopting amendment A, and as amended, passed the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Petition of A. B. Robinson and 5 others, citizens of Maine, praying for an act of incorporation for the purpose of establishing an agricultural school.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of James Spear, Jr., and others, citizens of Thomaston and Rockland, that Waldoborough may be made the shire town of Lincoln county;

Petition of George W. Kennedy and others, for same;

Petition of Wm. H. Little and others, for same;

Petition of Archibald Robinson and others, for same.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Counties.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to prevent the destruction of pickerel in Meadow pond or tributary waters, in the town of Islesborough;

Resolve in favor of Sanford Noble;

Resolve in favor of L. T. Boothby and Charles Turner;

Resolve in favor of Samuel Clark.

The above bill having had three several readings, and the resolves having been read twice, and having each been passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bill was passed to be enacted, the resolves finally passed, and they were signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on bill, an act to abolish imprisonment for debt; and the question being on a motion to recommit, with instructions to report a bill, and the House having ordered that the question be taken by yeas and nays, it was so taken, and the House refused to recommit, by yeas 26, nays 75, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Batchelder, Blaisdell, Bowen, Buxton, S. J. Chadbourne, Cunningham, Comstock, French, Hanson, Keene, C. E. Libbey, J. Libbey, Mitchell, J. L. Moor, J. Palmer, B. F. Parks, H. Pike, J. Porter, S. R. Porter, Ranney, Rice, Rideout, Rogers, Sawyer, Wadlin, Woodbury.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Andrews, Bailey, Bean, Bicknell, Brown, Buck, Bunker, A. H. Clark, E. Clark, Cowell, Clements, E. Davis, J. Davis, J. H. Drummond, R. R. Drummond, Dunn, Field, Gilbert, Gilkey, Goodale, J. Hall, J. E. Hall, Hersey, Hill, Hobbs, Ingalls, Johnson, Jones, C. A. Kimball, G. A. Kimball, I. C. Kimball, S. Kingsbury, T. R. Kingsbury, Knapp, Leighton, Maddocks, Marcyes, Mayberry, McGlauflin, Merrill, Nutting, W. H. Palmer, Parker, T. Parkes, Parsons, Pattee, Percy, Perkins, Pettengill, F. A. Pike, J. B. Pike, Pratt, Prentiss, Roak, Rowell, Sally, Sargent, A. B. Shaw, Skinner, W. C. Smith, Snow, Spooner, Stanley, Strickland, Tibbetts, Tillson, Trussell, Walsh, Wasson, Waterhouse, Weeks, Wheeler, Whitney, Woodman, York.

The report was then accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Salome H. Dodge, for change of name.

Referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Bill, an act relating to the sale of land warrants by executors and administrators.

This bill having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

# GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. MOORE of Hallowell.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of John H. Kimball and others, inhabitants of the town of Brunswick, in aid of the petition of Directors of Kennebec Log Driving Company;

Petition of William Sargent and 20 others, for same.

These petitions came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Calvin Berry and 47 others, citizens of Hancock, for an insolvent law, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on an Insolvent Law.

Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Delegation of the county of Penobscot, on petition of the Judge of Probate for the county of Penobscot for increase of salary, reporting a bill entitled an act to establish the salary of the Judge of Probate of the county of Penobscot.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on order in relation to witnesses in cases of bastard children, reporting legislation inexpedient; and

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting reference to the next Legislature on petition of Romeo Michaud.

These reports came from the Senate, having been read and accepted. Read and accepted in concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend the city charter of Bangor, so that Aldermen and Councilmen shall not hold subordinate offices; Bill, an act to incorporate the First Universalist Church in Rockland.

These bills having each had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, were severally passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. SNOW of Atkinson,

Ordered, That the report of the Committee and accompanying papers in relation to the removing of the capital, be taken from the files of the last Legislature and referred to a Joint Special Committee of one from each county on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join.

Read and passed, and Messrs. Snow of Atkinson, Pattee of Fort Fairfield, Parks of South Berwick, Case of Readfield, Chadbourne of Dixmont, Hill of Sullivan, Brown of Wilton, Shaw of Troy, Percy of Woolwich, Leighton of Steuben, Dunn of Milton, Bailey of Auburn, Smith of Otisfield, Balch of Waldoborough, and Andrews of Pleasant Ridge, were appointed said Committee on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath,

Ordered, That the delegation in the House of Representatives representing the towns in Sagadahoc county, with such as the Senate may join, be and hereby are constituted a Joint Select Committee to inquire into the expediency of an increase of the salary of the Judge of Probate for said county, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. BUXTON of Warren, moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House on Saturday voted to concur with the Senate in accepting the report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of David Wing and others, and to lay said motion on the table and assign Wednesday next' for its consideration; and the House so ordered.

Mr. PIKE, from the Committee on Finance, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Z. H. Spinney and others, for abatement in valuation of the town of Georgetown.

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On motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath, the report was laid on the table.

Pétition of A. K. P. Lunt and 18 others, of Islandport, for a repeal of their act of incorporation.

This petition came from the Senate, that branch refusing to concur with the House in referring the petition to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, and referring it to the next Legislature.

On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, the House insisted on the vote referring the petition to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, and proposed a conference of the two Houses, and appointed Messrs. Johnson of Augusta, Wasson of Brooksville, and Sargent of Brooklin, as conferences on the part of the House.

Petition of Enoch Haskell and others, and petition of Jeremiah Hall and others, were taken from the table on motion of Mr. BOWEN of Portland, and the petitioners were granted leave to withdraw.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of J. H. Conant and others, of Monmouth, to make valid the doings of the First Congregational Parish of Monmouth. Presented by Mr. SMITH of Litchfield, and on his motion laid on the table.

Petition of Samuel Kelley and others, citizens of Calais, for a law to suppress the traffic in liquors. Presented by Mr. PIKE of Calais, and on his motion was ordered to be filed with the papers and report of the Committee having under consideration the subject of a Liquor Law.

Bill, an act to make valid the doings of the First Congregational Parish of Monmouth. Laid on the table by Mr. SMITH of Litchfield, and under the rules lies over one day.

Petition of Wm. S. Cochran and 143 others, in aid of petitions to make Waldoborough the shire town of Lincoln county.

Referred to the Committee on Division of Counties.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on petition of D. A.

Fairbanks, was taken from the table, and on motion of Mr. JOHN-SON of Augusta, it was recommitted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the town of Prentiss.

This bill was read the third time, and on motion of Mr. BUCK of Oldtown, it was laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath, The House adjourned.

ATTEST: GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. BEAN of Augusta:

Order from the Senate directing the Secretary of State to lay before the Senate the number of townships, their description or designation, together with the number of inhabitants in each, as required by an act to promote the incorporation of towns in new settlements, approved April 15, 1857, came from the Senate, having been read and passed.

Read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of William Singer and others of Thomaston, in aid of petitions praying for Rockland to be a half shire town.

Referred to the Committee on Division of Counties.

Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of E. F. Crane and 172 others of the town of Kenduskeag, against the petition of H. Waugh and others, for a new town;

Remonstrance of Nath'l Smith, against the same;

Remonstrance of S. B. Harriman and others, against the same;

Remonstrance of Moses Parsons and 78 others, against the same. These remonstrances were severally referred to the Committee on

Division of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Samuel Walker, Jr., and 76 others, for a law to prohibit the taking of trout and pickerel from the waters of Sebago lake, Long pond, Brandy pond and Crooked river, and their tributaries, by nets seines, spears, traps and boxes, in certain months of the year;

Petition of Samuel A. Lawrence of Lubec, for the privilege of extending his fish weir.

These petitions came from the Senate, having been referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Referred in concurrence.

Remonstrance of S. J. Roberts and 190 others, against the annexation of Stockton to Prospect;

Remonstrance of Stanton Ellis and others, against same; Were severally referred to the Committee on Divison of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the Selectmen of Milbridge and others, for right to purchase a bridge of the Milbridge Company.

This petition came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of William H. Sargent and others, for law to protect inhabitants of Lewy Island against trespassers, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Increase S. Kimball and others, for a division of the Congregational Parish in Sanford, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Fisherics, on petition of Calvin Hamlin and others, reporting a bill entitled an act to prevent the destruction of pickerel in the China and Little ponds.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill, an act to make valid the doings of the First Congregational Parish in Monmouth.

This bill was read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill, an act to divide the Congregational Parish in the town of Sanford, in the county of York;

Bill, an act accepting the surrender of the charter of the Mariner's Bank;

Bill, an act to incorporate the Trustees of West Gardiner Academy. These bills were taken from the table on motion of Mr. HAGAR of Richmond, and referred in concurrence. Mr. BURBANK, from the Joint Select Committee to which was referred the petition of Martha J. Bowker, for divorce, and also on remonstrance of Edmund Bowker and others, reported leave to withdraw.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. BOODY, from the Committee on Education, on order in relation to granting power to school districts to raise money in addition to what they receive from the towns, reported a bill, entitled an act to enable school districts to raise money for the support of schools therein.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on resolve in favor of Madawaska, Hancock and Van Buren plantations, recommitted to said Committee, reported the resolve and that it ought to pass.

Report accepted. Resolve read once, and Wednesday, March 3d, assigned for its second reading.

Bill, an act to establish the salary of the Judge of Probate of the county of Penobscot.

This bill having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Petition of Elihu Hoxie and 56 others, for adopting measures for the sale and settlement of the public lands;

Petition of C. B. Nason and others, for same;

Petition of Caleb Holyoke and others, for same;

Petition of A. B. Sutton and 57 others, in aid of memorial of State Agricultural Society for settlement of public lands.

.These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Walter Brown and 153 others of Bangor, in aid of the Aroostook railroad;

Petition of George W. Merrill and 27 others, for same;

Petition of Josiah Towle and 127 others, for same;

Petition of William Stacy and 55 others, for same.

The above petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Jonathan M. Haynes, for change of name; Petition of Josiah Twitchell, for change of name; Were severally referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Petition of Wm. H. Shailer and 13 others, for a Normal School. Presented by Mr. DEANE of Portland, and on his motion it was ordered to be filed with report and papers of the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Samuel Pratt and others of Oldtown, for an insolvent law. Presented by Mr. Strickland of Bangor, and on his motion ordered to be filed with the report and papers of the Committee on an Insolvent Law.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of G. A. Harlow and others, for re-enactment of hop law of 1840;

Petition of Jonathan Hall and others, for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the Register of Probate for the county of York, for increase of salary.

Referred to the Joint Delegation from York county. Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of James M. Bangs, against the petition of S. A. Lawrence for right to extend jurisdiction over flats in Lubec.

Referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act regulating and restricting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors Laid on the table by Mr. PIKE of Topsfield, who moved that the usual number of copies be printed for the use of the Legislature, and to lay said motion on the table and assign to-morrow at 10 o'clock A. M. for its consideration.

The House so ordered.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 12 of the Revised Statutes, respecting parishes and religious societies, was amended on motion of Mr. PRENTISS of Bangor, as per sheet B. Mr. BOODY moved to amend as per sheet C, and on motion of Mr. HANSON of Gardiner, the bill was laid on the table.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Southport Mutual Fishing Insurance Company;

Bill, an act relating to the Harbor Commissioners of Portland Harbor;

Bill, an act to incorporate the Lewiston Works Company.

These bills having severally had three readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, were severally passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill, an act for the relief of insolvent debtors, came from the Senate recommitted to the Committee on an Insolvent Law.

Recommitted in concurrence.

Resolve in relation to the settlement of the public lands.

This resolve came from the Senate recommitted to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Mr. HOBBS, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Thomas M. Gray and others, reported leave to said petitioners to bring in a bill, entitled an act to set off certain territory from the town of Chelsea and annex the same to the town of Pittston.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill, an act to provide for a State Normal School, was taken up, and the question being on adopting amendment A, offered by Mr. MOOR of Ellsworth, it was moved that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and the House so ordered, and being so taken, the House rejected the amendment, by yeas 49, nays 71, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Babbidge, Batchelder, Bean, Bicknell, Bunker, Case, S. J. Chadbourne, E. Clark, Cunningham, Fuller, J. Hall, Jr., Hill, Holt, Ingalls, Jones, C. A. Kimball, I. C. Kimball, T. R. Kingsbury, Knapp, Leighton, Loring, Maddocks, Marcyes, Milliken, J. L. Moor, Nutting, J. Palmer, Parker, B. F. Parks, Parsons, Pattee, H. Pike, J. Porter, Ranney, Rice, Rogers, Sally, Sargent, Sawyer, Sherman, Skinner, W. C. Smith, Snow, Spooner, M. E. Sweat, Wasson, Wheeler, Whitney, York.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Andrews, Bailey, Balch, Blaisdell, Boody, Bowen, Brackett, Brown, Buck, Bucknam, Burbank, Chick, A. H. Clark, Cowell, Coffin, E. Davis, J. Davis, Deane, J. H. Drummond, Dunn, Field, Flye, Foss, French, Gilbert, Gilkey, Goodale, Hagar, J. E. Hall, Hanson, Hersey, Hobbs, Johnson, Judkins, Keene, S. Kingsbury, Lane, C. E. Libbey, J. Libbey, Longfellow, McGlauffin, Merrithew, Merrill, Mitchell, Morrison, T. Parkes, Percy, Perkins, Pettengill, F. A. Pike, J. B. Pike, Plummer, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Prentiss, Quint, Rideout, Roak, Sanborn, A. B. Shaw, Skillin, B. Smith, Stanley, Strickland, Tibbetts, Tillson, Trussell, Wadlin, Walsh, Waterhouse, Weeks.

Mr. BOODY of Brunswick, moved to amend as per sheet C, and on motion of Mr. BURBANK of Lewiston, the bill was laid on the table.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. WEBB of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of Daniel Billings and others, for the adoption of measures to procure the sale and settlement of the public lands;

Petition of E. H. Hayden and others, for aid to build a road from Shepherd Boody's mill, in No. 9, Range 6, to the Aroostook road.

These petitions came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

And they were referred in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Ira Wadleigh and others, citizens of Oldtown and vicinity, against an insolvent law, came from the Senate ordered to be filed with other papers in the hands of the Committee on Insolvent Law.

And the order passed in concurrence.

Remonstrance of John Madigan, against altering the law in relation to mill dams;

Remonstrance of John Glidden and others, against the same;

Remonstrance of Arnold Blaney and others, against the same.

These remonstrances came from the Senate having been referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to amending section 13, chapter 22, of Revised Statutes, concerning partition fences on common or unimproved lands, came from the Senate reporting legislation inexpedient, and read and accepted.

Read and accepted in concurrence.

Petition of Committee of Stockholders of the Mariners' Bank, for leave to surrender their charter, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill, an act in

relation to conveyances of real estate, reporting the bill and that it ought not to pass.

This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted. Read and accepted in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Parker P. Burleigh, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Claims.

The House reconsidered the vote whereby it passed the resolve to be engrossed, and referred it in concurrence.

Mr. DAVIS, from the Committee on Education, reported leave to withdraw on petition of B. A. Watson and others;

Mr. BUXTON, from the Judiciary Committee, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to change of Constitution to make Governor and Senators elective by a plurality vote;

Mr. GILBERT, from the Judiciary Committee, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Seward Merrill and others, for leave to construct a wharf into tide waters at Portland.

The above reports were severally read and accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve providing for the payment of Roll of Accounts No. 38.

This resolve having had two several readings, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to make valid the doings of the First Congregational Parish of Monmouth.

This bill having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to prevent the destruction of pickerel in the China and Little ponds.

This bill having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on bill, an act addi-17 tional to an act to incorporate the City of Portland, reporting the bill, and that it ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking on petition of President and Directors of Veazie Bank, for renewal and extension of charter, reporting a bill, an act to renew and extend the charter of the Veazie Bank, and that it ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on petition of C. F. A. Johnson and others, on bill, an act to incorporate the town of Bridgewater, reporting the bill and that it ought to pass.

The above reports came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the bills passed to be engrossed; the last bill amended as per sheet A.

Reports accepted in concurrence. Bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of each.

Resolve in favor of Josiah P. Bean.

This resolve having had two several readings, the House refused to concur with the Senate in indefinitely postponing the resolve, and passed it to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. GILBERT, from the Judiciary Committee, on bill, an act concerning exemption of parties and witnesses from arrest and imprisonment, reported the bill, and that it ought not to pass.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. WASSON, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of D. R. Stockwell, reported a resolve in favor of Davis R. Stockwell;

Mr. SPOONER, from the same Committee, on petition of John Parent, reported a resolve in favor of John Parent;

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on petition of Wingate Bradbury, reported a resolve in favor of Wingate Bradbury.

The above reports were severally accepted. The resolves read once, and Wednesday, March 3d, assigned for the second reading of each.

Mr. PRENTISS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on peti-

tion of Commissioners of the county of Piscataquis for right to use jails in Penobscot and Somerset counties, reported a bill entitled an act additional to the several acts establishing the county of Piscataquis;

Mr. DEANE, from the Committee on Education, on petition of School District No. 5, in Atkinson, reported a bill entitled an act to empower the Collector of Atkinson for the year 1856, to close collection of school district tax for District No. 5, in Atkinson, same year.

The above reports were accepted. Bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of each.

Bill, an act to incorporate the town of Prentiss.

The amendment offered by Mr. PORTER of Lowell, was rejected, and the bill having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Petition of Joel Foss and 22 others, for increase of bounty on bears. Presented by Mr. PRENTISS of Bangor, and on his motion laid on the table.

Petition of Oliver Dow and 74 others, in aid of the memorial of the State Agricultural Society;

Petition of J. R. Pearl and 48 others, for same;

Petition of Stephen M. Pratt and others, for same;

Petition of Woodbury Storer and others, for same.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

Claim of the Treasurer of the town of Bingham, for bounty paid on wild animals.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of inhabitants of School District No. 5 in the town of Manchester, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Abby B. Dutton and 120 others, women of Steuben,

for a liquor law, ordered to be filed in the report and papers of Committee on the Liquor Law.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of J. S. Chandler and others of New Sharon, for a charter for an Academy.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Cony Foster and 113 others, in aid of the Aroostook railroad;

Petition of Nathaniel Wilson and 75 others, for same.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of J. K. Killsa.

This resolve having had two readings, was on motion of Mr. GIL-BERT of Bath, indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Mr. HALL, from the Committee on Agriculture, on bill, entitled an act for the preservation of certain useful birds, reported the bill, and that it ought to pass;

Mr. RICE, from the Committee on the State Prison, on order relating to diminution of sentence of convicts for good behavior, reported a bill entitled an act relating to the discipline of the State Prison.

The above reports were severally accepted. Bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for their third reading.

Mr. HALL, from the Committee on Agriculture, on petition of Wm. P. Lancaster and 60 others, praying for a law for bounty on the destruction of crows, reported leave to withdraw.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in relation to the distribution of a portion of the public lands belonging to the United States;

Bill, an act to incorporate the Ellsworth Gas Light Company;

Bill, an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government. The above resolve having had two readings, and the bills having had three several readings each, and having severally passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the resolve was finally passed, the bills passed to be enacted, and they were all signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the matter of costs in criminal prosecutions, was taken from the table on motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, who moved to recommit the report with instructions as per sheet A. On motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais, Friday next, at 12 o'clock, was assigned as the time to take the vote on the motion of Mr. Johnson, and the report was laid on the table.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, saying that no returns have been made to his office as contemplated by the 4th section of an act to promote the incorporation of towns in new settlements, approved April 15, 1857, and that therefore he is unable to give the Legislature the information asked for in the order of the 22d instant.

Report of the Committee on Slavery, reporting resolves relating to Kansas and Slavery.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted. Resolves read twice, and to-morrow assigned for their consideration.

## On motion of Mr. MERRILL of Williamsburg,

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee be instructed to inquire into the expediency of adding to section 10, chapter 135, of the Revised Statutes, the following words: "Any convict who has been liberated by the sheriff upon giving his note as aforesaid, or in any other way except by payment of the fine or costs, and shall be committed to jail again for default of paying a fine or costs for which he was or shall be sentenced for an offence committed within six months after the offence for which he was previously committed and liberated, shall not be liberated as is provided in section 10, till after the expiration of ninety days from the time of his committal.

Sent up for concurrence.

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### On motion of Mr. PLUMMER of Lisbon,

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of prohibiting the practice of lawyers and pettifoggers in the Supreme Judicial Court and courts holden by Justices of the Peace, who have collected money for their clients and converted it to their own use or neglected or refused to pay it on demand. Also, when they shall be paid a fee and requested to commence a civil or criminal suit, and afterwards receive a sum of money from the defendant without the written consent of the plaintiff, and proceed no further with the suit and retain that sum of money.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to provide for a State Normal School.

This bill being under consideration, it was amended as per sheet C, on motion of Mr. HANSON of Gardiner. Mr. MERITHEW of Searsport, moved that the further consideration of the bill be indefinitely postponed, and Mr. FIELD of Danville moved that that question be taken by yeas and nays, and the House so ordered, and on being so taken it was indefinitely postponed by yeas 79, nays 38, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Babbidge, Bailey, Batchelder, Bean, Bicknell, Brown, Buck, Bunker, Case, Chick, A. H. Clark, E. Clark, Cowell, Cunningham, Coffin, J. Davis, Foss, Fuller, Gilkey, Goodale, J. Hall, J. E. Hall, Hanson, Hale, Hersey, Hill, Holt, Judkins, Keene, I. C. Kimball, S. Kingsbury, T. R. Kingsbury, Lane, Leighton, C. F. Libbey, J. Libbey, Loring, Maddox, Mayo, Merithew, Milliken, J. L. Moor, Nutting, Oliver, Parker, T. Parkes, Parsons, Percy, Pettengill, H. Pike, J. B. Pike, J. Porter, Pratt, Prentiss, Ranney, Rice, Rideout, Roak, Rogers, Sally, Sanborn, Sargent, Sawyer, A. B. Shaw, Shearman, Skinner, W. C. Smith, Spooner, Strickland, M. E. Sweat, Tibbetts, Trussell, Walsh, Wasson, Wheeler, Whitney, Wing, Woodbury, York.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Blaisdell, Boody, Bowen, Brackett, Bucknam, Burbank, Buxton, S. J. Chadbourne, Comstock, E. Davis, Deane, J. H. Drummond, Field, Flye, French, Hagar, Hobbs, Johnson, Jones, Marcyes, McGlauffin, Miller, Morrison, J. Palmer, Pattee, Perkins, Pierce, F. A. Pike, S. R. Porter, Rackliff, Skillin, B. Smith, Snow, Stockbridge, Tillson, Wadlin, Waterhouse, Weeks.

And the bill was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Adjourned.

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Attest:

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. COLBY of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of the Selectmen of Blanchard, asking for an abatement of their State tax, came from the Senate referred to the Committee' on Treasurer's Accounts.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Richard D. Starr and 23 others, in aid of the petition of E. B. Hinkley and others, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Claims.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Benjamin Shaw and 88 others, in relation to sale and settlement of public and other lands of Maine;

Petition of R. B. Fuller and others of Wilton, in aid of the memorial of the Maine State Agricultural Society;

Petition of James H. Eaton and others, for railroad from Milford to Aroostook.

These petitions came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of Joseph Meservey and 33 others, praying for a law to prevent the taking of fish in Moosehead lake.

This\_petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, reporting leave to withdraw on petitions of Greenlief Wing and others, of Hiram Norton and others, of H. Waugh and others, of J. Firman and others;

Reports of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting legislation inexpedient on order relating to biennial sessions;

Also on order inquiring into the expediency of amending Revised Statutes, chapter 91, section 1, relating to the recording of mortgages of personal property; The same Committee also reported leave to withdraw on petition of J. B. Wooster and others;

Also reported reference to the Committee on Interior Waters on petition of William Baker and others.

The above reports came from the Senate, having been read and accepted. They were severally read and accepted in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the Committee on the State Reform School.

This resolve came from the Senate passed to be engrossed. Read once, and Wednesday, March 3d, assigned for its second reading.

Bill, an act to renew and extend the charter of the Veazie Bank; .

Bill, an act additional to an act to incorporate the City of Portland;

Bill, an act additional to the several acts establishing the county of Piscataquis.

The above bills having each had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the town of Bridgewater, was amended as per sheet A, in concurrence, and as amended, having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill, an act relating to the discipline of the State Prison.

This bill having had three several readings, and amended as per sheet A, was, as amended, passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. WASSON, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on petition of A. K. P. Lunt and others, reported bill, entitled an act to repeal an act to incorporate the town of Islandport;

Mr. PIKE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of John Rand and others, reported a bill, entitled an act to amend chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes, in relation to filing specifications of defence;

Mr. PATTEE, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on petition of John B. Trafton and others, reported a bill, entitled an act to incorporate the town of Fort Fairfield; Mr. PIKE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to change of present law relating to the collection of executions against towns, reported a bill, entitled an act to amend chapter 84 of the Revised Statutes, in relation to levy of executions against towns.

The above reports were severally accepted. Bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of each.

Bill, an act relating to the sale of land warrants by executors and administrators;

Bill, an act to establish the salary of the Judge of Probate of the county of Penobscot;

Bill, an act to prevent the destruction of pickerel in the China and Little ponds.

The above bills having been severally three times read and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, were severally passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill, an act to secure the safety and convenience of travelers on railroads.

This bill was taken from the table, and on motion of Mr. MOR-RISON of Farmington, Tuesday next was assigned for its consideration.

Bill, an act to restrain the evils of licensed billiard rooms. Laid on the table by Mr. GILBERT of Bath, and under the rules lies over until to-morrow.

Bill, an act to abolish the office of Superintendent of Common Schools and Teachers' Conventions. Laid on the table by Mr. WEEKS of Vassalborough, and on his motion referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. KINGSBURY, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition of Walter Foss, reported reference of the same to the Committee on Manufactures;

Mr. FOSS, from the Committee on Division of Towns, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Ansel Powers and others.

The above reports were accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Bangor, Oldtown and Milford Railroad Company, for right to extend track to tide waters.

Referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of O. W. Jordan and 16 others, for a State Normal School;

Petition of T. C. Rand and 49 others of Canaan, for same;

Petition of O. J. Fernald and 21 others, for same;

Petition of Lyman S. Strickland and 14 others, for same;

Petition of B. P. Young and 17 others for same;

Pelition of Alden Blossom and 20 others, for same;

Petition of Wm. H. Pillsbury and 99 others, for same;

Petition of B. Atkinson and 24 others, for same;

Petition of Jerome B. Keene and 46 others, for same;

Petition of Amos H. Ellis and 15 others, for same;

Petition of Lewis Gilbert and 16 others, for same;

Petition of J. A. D. Blake and 33 others for same.

These petitions were severally ordered to be filed with the report and papers of the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of T. H. Marshall and others, for an act of incorporation for the purpose of manufacturing and selling gas in the city of Belfast.

Referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of William Wheeler and 45 others, citizens of Castine, in favor of the memorial of the State Agricultural Society, relative to constructing a railroad to Aroostook county;

Petition of Nathaniel Groton and others, for same;

Petition of F. Harvey and others, for same;

Petition of J. O. Tilton and others, for same;

Petition of James S. Bedlow and others, for same;

Petition of Nath'l Blake and others, for same;

Petition of Harvey S. Wilson and others of Bradford, to secure the sale and settlement of the public lands;

Petition of Aaron Haynes and others for same;

Petition of Joseph Stickney and others, for same;

Petition of David Collins and others, for aid in building road from Vaughan and Collins' Mills to boundary line;

Petition of J. R. Sawyer and 46 others of Levant, for legislation to secure the sale and settlement of the public lands.

The above petitions were severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Madawaska, Hancock and Van Buren plantations, was taken up, considered, and on motion of Mr. PATTEE of Fort Fairfield, it was laid on the table.

Bill, an act to incorporate the town of Fort Fairfield, was on motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais, recommitted to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves relating to Kansas and slavery.

These resolves being under consideration, Mr. RANNEY of Winn, moved to amend as per sheet A, and on motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath, the resolves and proposed amendment were laid on the table.

Petition of Winslow Staples and 164 others, for the adoption of measures to secure the sale and settlement of the public lands;

Petition of E. G. Buxton and 194 others, for same.

The above petitions came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, and they were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Alvin Staples and others;

Also making same report on petition of the Selectmen of Prospect.

These reports came from the Senate, having been read and accepted. They were severally laid on the table.

Bill, an act regulating and restricting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors.

This bill was taken up, and the question being on the motion

made by Mr. PIKE of Topsfield, on February 23d, to print 350 copies for the use of the Legislature, was considered, and the motion to print was rejected.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 12 of the Revised Statutes, respecting parishes and religious societies.

This bill being under consideration, it was amended as per sheets A and C. Mr. BUCK of Oldtown, then moved the indefinite postponement of the bill. Mr. HALL of Gorham, moved the amendment as per sheet D, and on motion of Mr. SAWYER of Baldwin. the bill and proposed amendment were laid on the table.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. DEXTER of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate.

Remonstrance of A. H. Clark, against any alteration of law relating to mill dams;

Remonstrance of M. C. Jones and others, against same;

Remonstrance of William Sprowl and others, against same;

Remonstrance of Daniel Jones and others, against same.

The above remonstrances came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on petition of William Somerby and others, reporting a bill entitled, an act to incorporate the Hancock Agricultural Society;

Report of the Committee on Education, on petition of Increase S. Kimball and others, reporting a bill entitled, an act to divide the Congregational Parish in the town of Sanford, in the county of York;

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on petition of William H. Sargent and others, reporting bill entitled, an act for the protection of the inhabitants of Long Island against depredations of hunters;

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on petition of Samuel Walker and others, reporting a bill entitled, an act for the prescrvation of trout and pickerel in the water of the Sebago lake, Brandy pond, Long pond and Crooked river, and their tributary streams;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of Cherryfield Boom Company, reporting a bill entitled, an act to extend the charter of the Cherryfield Boom Company.

The above reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the bills passed to be engrossed.

Reports accepted in concurrence. Bills read twice each, and tomorrow assigned for their third reading. Report of the Committee on Education, on petition of G. D. Wakefield and others, reporting a bill entitled, an act to incorporate the Trustees of the West Gardiner Academy.

This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and on motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath, Tuesday next was assigned for its third reading.

On motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the propriety of so changing the proceedings of trials in capital cases as to have the court in such cases held by one judge.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 84 of the Revised Statutes, in relation to levy of executions against towns.

This bill was, on motion of Mr. PORTER of Lowell, laid on the table and 350 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Bill, an act to empower the Collector of Atkinson for the year 1856, to close collection of school district tax for District No. 5, in Atkinson, same year.

This bill having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act regulating and restricting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors.

This bill was taken up, and being on its first reading, on motion of Mr. PIKE of Topsfield, the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. FRENCH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to change of provisions of section 17, of chapter 80, of the Revised Statutes, reported a bill entitled, an act relating to executions against Sheriffs.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Mr. KINGSBURY, from the Committee on Military Pensions, on petition of Spencer G. Bowes, reported a resolve in favor of Spencer G. Bowes. Report accepted. Resolve read once, and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

Mr. HOBBS, from the Committee on Division of Towns, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Stockbridge P. Graves.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Josiah P. Bean.

This resolve came from the Senate, that branch insisting on the vote whereby it indefinitely postponed the resolve.

On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, the resolve was laid on the table.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, laying before the Legislature a statement of the Treasurer of Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad Company, of the net profits of said road for twelve years to November, 1854;

Petition of John M. Wilson and 13 others, for legislation to secure the sale and settlement of the public lands;

Petition of Geo. W. Chamberlain and others, for same;

Petition of I. W. Patten and others, for same;

Petition of H. W. Danforth and others, for same;

Petition of Solomon Dunning and others, for same;

Petition of E. A. Jenks and 50 others, for an appropriation of land or money to build a road from Katahdin Iron Works to Chesuncook.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of citizens of Bucksport, against that provision of the liquor law which allows the manufacture of intoxicating drinks, was ordered to be filed with the report and papers of Committee on Liquor Law;

Retition of Ebenezer Edwards, to set off a certain piece of land from Poland and annex the same to Otisfield.

Referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

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Bill, an act to restrain the evils of licensed billiard rooms.

This bill was read twice, and to morrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill, an act to set off certain territory from the town of Chelsea and annex the same to the town of Pittston.

This bill was read three times, and on motion of Mr. ROWELL, its further consideration was indefinitely postponed.

Sent up for concurrence.

A communication was received from the Land Agent in answer to the orders of the House of January 28th and of February 18th, which on motion of Mr. MERRILL of Williamsburg, was laid on the table and 350 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Petition of County Commissioners of Cumberland county, praying that certain tracts of unincorporated land in said county may be annexed to the adjoining towns.

Referred to the Joint Delegation from Cumberland county.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the town of Prentiss;

Bill, an act to incorporate the Master, Wardens and Members of Vassalborough Lodge;

Bill, an act to incorporate the Mount Hope Cemetery Corporation.

The above bills having each had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, were severally passed to be enacted, and they were signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill, an act for the preservation of certain useful birds.

This bill having had three several readings, amended as per amendments A, B and C, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on so much of the 18 Governor's Message as relates to costs in criminal prosecutions, was taken up, and recommitted with instructions as per sheet A. Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of Alvin Staples and others, reporting leave to withdraw. Also, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Selectmen of Prospect.

These reports were taken from the table on motion of Mr. HOBBS of Waterford, and they were severally accepted in concurrence.

Petition of James W. Cox and others, for an insolvent law, ordered to be filed with the report and papers of Committee on Insolvent Law.

Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of Abraham Jewell and 40 others, against the petition of J. P. Tibbetts and others, relating to the taking of fish in Kennebec river;

Remonstrance of Harvey Preble and 29 others, against same; Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Bangor Mutual Fire Insurance Company. Laid on the table by Mr. STRICKLAND of Bangor.

Referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. CASE, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Stephen Whitehouse, Jr., and others, reported a bill, entitled an act to set off certain inhabitants from the town of Jefferson and annex the same to the town of Newcastle, and the report lies over until to-morrow.

Mr. CASE of Readfield, asked to be excused from further service on the Committee on Division of Towns, but without taking any action thereon the House

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

#### GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1858.

No Chaplain present.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of Alfred G. Lithgow and others, in aid of petition of Ephraim Alley, 2d, and others, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill, an act accepting the surrender of the charter of the Mariners' Bank, reporting the bill and recommending its reference to the Committee on Banks and Banking;

Report of same Committee, reporting legislation inexpedient on order relating to amending sections 19 and 20, of chapter 83, of Revised Statutes, so that Justices of the Peace may avail themselves of its provisions in case of age and infirmity;

Report of the same Committee, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Sumner Burnham.

These reports came from the Senate, having been read and accepted. They were severally read and accepted in concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 59 of the Revised Statutes, relating to marriage and its solemnization.

This bill came from the Senate, that branch having rejected amendments B, D and E, and adopted amendment C, and further amended as per sheet H, and as amended, passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath, the bill was laid on the table, and Wednesday next assigned for its consideration.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on order relating to bounties to vessels in the cod fishing business, reporting resolves relative to bounty on cod fisheries.

This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the resolves passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Resolves read once, and Monday next assigned for their second reading. Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of John Greely and others, reporting a bill, an act to set off certain territory from Mount Vernon and annex it to Readfield.

This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the bill indefinitely postponed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice, and Monday next assigned for a third reading.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on petition of Achorn Lime Rock Company, reporting a bill, entitled an act additional to an act to incorporate the Achorn Lime Rock Company.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice, and Monday next assigned for its third reading.

Bill, an act to provide for a State Valuation. Laid on the table by Mr. GILBERT of Bath, and under the rule lies over until Monday.

Mr. PERKINS, from the Committee on Claims, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Anna Hinds;

Mr. LORING, from the same Committee, reported leave to withdraw on petition of M. W. Burnham;

Mr. FRENCH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Charles E. White and 12 others, and on petition of Levi Marble and 14 others;

Mr. PARSONS, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Israel Davis;

Mr. BICKNELL, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Charles K. Miller and others, for railroad charter;

Mr. MAYO, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reported an order of notice on petition of John W. Veazie, by publication in the Bangor Daily Whig;

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Judiciary Committee, reported legislation inexpedient on order directing inquiry into the expediency of amending section 10 of chapter 135 of Revised Statutes;

Mr. TAPLEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported

legislation inexpedient on order relating to the rights of sureties of Coroners.

The foregoing reports were severally read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to extend the charter of the Cherryfield Boom Company;

Bill, an act for the protection of the inhabitants of Long Island against depredation of hunters;

Bill, an act to incorporate the proprietors of Wildwood Cemetery;

Bill, an act to divide the Congregational Parish in the town of Sanford;

Bill, an act to incorporate the Hancock Agricultural Society.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Petition of H. Clay Smith and others, for an act of incorporation under the name of the Plumbago Mining Company, was on motion of Mr. HAGAR of Richmond, taken from the table, and the House voted to insist on the vote whereby it referred the petition to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Resolve in favor of Stephen L. Goodale.

This resolve being under consideration, it was, on motion of Mr. TAPLEY of Saco, laid on the table.

Bill, an act relating to executions against Sheriffs.

This bill having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of Assessors of Franklin, reported a bill, entitled an act to make valid the proceedings of the town of Franklin;

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on order inquiring into the expediency of amending chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, reported a bill, entitled an act to amend chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to taxes; Mr. CASE, from the Committee on Division of Towns, yesterday reported on petition of Stephen Whitehouse, Jr., and others, a bill, entitled an act to set off certain inhabitants from the town of Jefferson and annex the same to the town of Newcastle.

The above reports were severally read and accepted.

Bills read twice, and Monday next assigned for the third reading of each.

Bill, an act to repeal an act to incorporate the town of Islandport.

This bill being on its passage to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath, laid on the table and Tuesday next assigned for its consideration.

Mr. HERSEY, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, on petition of the Governor and Lieutenant Governor of Penobscot Indians, reported a resolve in favor of John Attean and John Neptune.

Report accepted. Resolve read once, and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

Mr. STRICKLAND, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Edward Guy. Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act relating to the laying out of streets and ways in the city of Portland. Laid on the table by Mr. DEANE of Portland, and under the rule lies over until Monday.

Mr. SKILLIN, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, on petition of Passamaquoddy Indians, reported a resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians.

Report accepted. Resolve read once, and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

Bill, an act to restrain the evils of licensed billiard rooms.

This bill having had three readings, on motion of Mr. WOOD-MAN of Bucksport, the further consideration of the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. BUCK of Oldtown, offered the following order, which, on motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, was laid on the table: Ordered, That a Committee of five on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, be appointed to inquire and report at early convenience, if a great saving to the State, may not be accomplished by abolishing the Bcards of Trustees to Insane Hospital, State Reform School, and Inspectors of State Prison, and institute the Governor and Council to be a Board in their stead.

Also, if an Auditor for the State could be appointed without increasing our State officers, or State expenses, by reason thereof.

On motion of Mr. PORTER of Lowell,

Ordered, That a Committee of five, with such as the Senate may join, be raised to ascertain and report when the Legislature may finally adjourn.

Read and passed, and Messrs. Porter of Lowell, Plummer of Lisbon, Porter of Sebago, Fisher of Boothbay, and Coffin of Shapleigh, were appointed said Committee on the part of the House.

Bill, an act relating to the laying out of streets and ways in the city of Portland, was taken from the table on motion of Mr. DEANE of Portland, and referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. DEANE of Portland,

Ordered, That the Committee on Banks and Banking be directed to inquire what further legislation, if any, is necessary to define more distinctly the duties of Receivers of Banks.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath,

Ordered, That the Joint Standing Committee on the Judiciary be and hereby are instructed to inquire into the expediency of an amendment of the 65th section of the 86th chapter of the Revised Statutes, so as to provide that in trustee process the amount for which the trustee is holden need not be expressed in the judgment.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to renew and extend the charter of the Veazie Bank;

Bill, an act additional to an act to incorporate the city of Portland. The above bills having each had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, were severally passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of G. W. Pickering and others;

Report of Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petitions of John B. Blood and others, and H. G. O. Barrows and others, reporting reference to the Judiciary Committee.

These reports came from the Senate, having been read and accepted. They were read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of Nath'l Coffin and others, reporting a reference of the petition to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted. On motion of Mr. MERRILL of Williamsburg, the report was recommitted to the Judiciary Committee.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Finance, on petition of Z. H. Spinney and others, was taken up and considered, and on motion of Mr. OLIVER of Georgetown, it was laid on the table.

Petition of Joel Wellington and 62 others, citizens of Aroostook county, for the sale and settlement of the public lands;

Petition of M. Currier and 17 others, for same;

Petition of D. L. Campbell and others, for same;

Petition of Daniel Nickerson and 40 others, for same;

Petition of 27 inhabitants of Topsfield, for same;

Petition of Josiah Crosby and others, for same.

The above petitions were severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of James Cutts and others, for an Agricultural Society by the name of Somerset and Franklin Agricultural Society, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Abraham Richardson and 29 others, praying for an insolvent law, ordered to be filed with the report and papers of the Committee on Insolvent Law.

Sent up for concurrence.

The order introduced to-day by Mr. BUCK of Oldtown, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, was taken up and passed, and Messrs. Buck of Oldtown, Sawyer of Baldwin, Shearman of Sidney, Moore of Limerick, and Perkins of Kennebunkport, were appointed said Committee on the part of the House.

Bill, an act for the preservation of trout and pickerel in Sebago lake, Long pond, Brandy pond, and Crooked river, and their tributary streams, in the county of Cumberland, reported by Mr. JOHN-SON, from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, with amendments as per sheet A. On motion of Mr. WHITNEY of Raymond, the bill was laid on the table.

Resolve in favor of Joseph Dane, Jr., and Moses L. Appleton, reported by the Conferees, recommending that the House recede and concur with the Senate in passing the resolve to be engrossed.

The House refused to recede and concur, and voted to adhere to its former vote recommitting the resolve to the Committee on Claims. The resolve was sent to the Senate.

Resolves relating to Kansas and slavery, were taken up, and the question being on the adoption of amendment A, Mr. ROWELL of Hallowell, moved that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and the House so ordered, and pending the question,

The House adjourned.

ATTEST :

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

### MONDAY, MARCH 1, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. DILLINGHAM of Augusta.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, on petition of John Attean and others, for an appropriation to build a road and establish a ferry, reporting legislation inexpedient;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order in relation to the support of poor debtors in prison, reporting legislation inexpedient;

Report of the Committee on Claims, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Joel Bean;

Minority report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Thomas M. Gray and others, reporting leave to withdraw.

The foregoing reports came from the Senate having been severally read and accepted.

They were severally read and accepted in concurrence, except the last, which, on motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, was laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on petition of the Directors and Stockholders of the Skowhegan Bank, reporting a bill, entitled an act to authorize a change in the location of the Skowhegan Bank;

Report of the same Committee, on petition of the Directors of the Eastern Bank, reporting a bill, entitled an act to reduce the capital stock of the Eastern Bank, Bangor;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of the Methodist Society of Portland, reporting a bill, entitled an act to change the name of the Methodist Society in Portland.

The foregoing reports came from the Senate having been severally read and accepted, and the bills passed to be engrossed.

Reports accepted in concurrence. Bills each read twice, and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

On motion of Mr. BICKNELL of Augusta,

The House reconsidered the vote whereby it, on Saturday last,

accepted the report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of Charles K. Miller and others, and recommitted the report.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to renew and extend the charter of the Veazie Bank. On motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, the House reconsidered the vote whereby it, on Saturday last, passed the bill to be enacted, and laid it on the table and assigned to-morrow for its consideration.

Mr. WADLIN, from the Committee on Claims, on petition of H. G. O. Cass and others, reported recommending a reference thereof to the Committee on Treasurer's Accounts.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves relative to bounties on cod fisheries;

Bill, an act additional to an act to incorporate the Achorn Lime Rock Company.

The above resolves having had two readings, and the bill three readings, and each reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, they were severally passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill, an act to set off certain territory from Mt. Vernon and annex it to Readfield.

This bill was read three times, amended in concurrence with the Senate, and, on motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, it was laid on the table.

Bill, an act to provide for a State Valuation, was read twice and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Judiciary Committee, on petition of Willard Walker and others, reported leave to withdraw. On motion of Mr. TAPLEY of Saco, the report was laid on the table.

Resolve in favor of Stephen L. Goodale;

Bill, an act to amend chapter six of the Revised Statutes, relating to taxes;

Bill, an act to set off a part of the town of Jefferson and annex the same to the town of Newcastle; Bill, an act to make valid the proceedings of the town of Franklin.

The above resolve having had two readings, and the bills severally had three readings, and each reported by the Committee on Bills in Third reading, they were severally passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Charles G. Porter, in aid of the memorial of the State Agricultural Society, and petition of Wm. P. Lamson and others, for aid to build a road from Katahdin Iron Works to Chesuncook lake.

These petitions were severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

• On motion of Mr. MERRILL of Williamsburg,

Ordered, That the Joint Standing Committee on the Judiciary be and hereby are directed to inquire into the legality and expediency of taxing all such townships and tracts, the fee of which has passed from the State since 1850.

Also, all such townships and tracts as have been permitted by Massachusetts for an unlimited time, that the same may be embraced in the tax list for the present year, 1858, and report by bill or otherwise.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BRACKETT of Westbrook,

Ordered, That the Committee on Manufactures be directed to inquire if any change in the law is necessary or expedient in relation to the mode of packing and marking paper manufactured in this State, and report by bill or otherwise.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee appointed to ascertain the number of Clerks, &c., employed in and about the Capitol, reporting in part, and asking leave to sit again.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted. Read and accepted in concurrence.

Mr. COFFIN, from the Committee on Division of Towns, was excused from further service on said Committee, and Mr. HALL of North Berwick was appointed in his stead.

Adjourned.

ATTEST :

# GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

### TUESDAY, MARCH 2, 1858.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and presided during the election of a Speaker pro tem.

On motion of Mr. TAPLEY of Saco.

Ordered, That during the absence of the Speaker, WILLIAM T. JOHNSON, Esq., of Augusta, be unanimously declared elected Speaker pro tem.

The order was passed.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. BEAN of Augusta.

A message was sent to the Senate by Mr. BURBANK of Lewiston, that in the absence of the Speaker, the House had elected Wm. T. JOHNSON, Speaker *pro tem*.

A similar message was sent to the Governor and Council by Mr. BANKS of Biddeford.

These gentlemen reported they had discharged themselves of the duty assigned them.

Papers from the Senate.

Order relating to directing the Land Agent to collect the amount due the State for stumpage secured by bonds deposited in the Land Office.

Order directing the Secretary of State to transmit to the Legislature the amount of appropriation to each county for building roads and bridges, and for educational purposes, for each year from 1827 to 1858.

These orders came from the Senate, having been read and passed. They were read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of a Committee of the town of Searsport, reporting leave to withdraw, came from the Senate having been read and accepted.

Read and accepted in concurrence.

A message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Burpee, Senator from Lincoln, informing the House that in the absence of Joseph B. Hall, the Senate had elected James M. Lincoln, Secretary pro tem.

Resclve in favor of Nathaniel Allen. Laid on the table by Mr. SARGENT of Brookline.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Alexander Johnston and 37 others, for an act of incorporation for a new bank to be located at Wiscasset.

Referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves relating to Kansas and slavery.

These resolves were taken up, and the question pending being upon the adoption of amendment as per sheet A, and the House having ordered that this question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the House refused to adopt the amendment, by yeas 26, nays 59, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Balch, Blaisdell, Bunker, Buxton, S. J. Chadbourne, E. Clark, Cunningham, Foss, Goodale, I. C. Kimball, T. R. Kingsbury, Loring, Miller, J. Palmer, J. B. Pike, J. Porter, Rideout, Sanborn, A. B. Shaw, Skillin, B. Smith, Snow, W. H. Sweat, Walsh, Waterhouse, Woodman.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Banks, Batchelder, Bicknell, Boody, Brackett, Brown, Burbank, Chick, Coffin, Conant, Field, Fisher, Fuller, Gilbert, Gilkey, Hagar, J. Hall, Hale, Hersey, Hill, Holt, Johnson, Judkins, G. A. Kimball, H. Kingsbury, S. Kingsbury, Knapp, Lane, Leighton, C. E. Libbey, Longfellow, Maddocks, Marcyes, Marshall, Mc-Glauflin, Merritlew, Merrill, Milliken, J. L. Moor, Oliver, Parker, Parsons, Pattee, Percy, Perkins, H. Pike, Quint, Roak, Rowell, Sargent, Shearman, Skinner, W. C. Smith, Strickland, Tapley, Wasson, Weeks, Wheeler, Whitney.

Mr. TAPLEY of Saco, moved that the House reconsider the vote whereby it refused to amend the resolves, and to lay said motion on the table and assign Thursday next for its consideration; and the House so ordered. Bill, an act to make valid the doings of the First Congregational Parish of Monmouth;

Bill, an act to incorporate the town of Bridgewater;

Resolve providing for the payment of Roll of Accounts No. 38.

The above bills having each had three several readings, and the resolve having had two readings, and each passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were passed to be enacted, the resolve finally passed, and they were each signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill, an act to provide for a State Valuation.

This bill was read three times, and on motion of Mr. MILLER of Portland, it was laid on the table.

A message was received from the Governor, through the Secretary of State, informing the Legislature that a vacancy exists in the office of Major General of the Fourth Division of the Militia of this State, occasioned by the resignation of Major General William S. Cochran.

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order inquiring into the expediency of amending section 16, of chapter 91, of Revised Statutes, reported a bill, entitled an act to amend section 16, of chapter 91, of the Revised Statutes;

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on petition of the Selectmen of Milo, reported a bill, entitled an act additional to an act to authorize the town of Milo to erect and maintain a toll bridge for a limited time, approved August 8, 1848.

The above reports were severally accepted. Bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for their third reading.

Remonstrance of Thomas M. Ratcliff and 14 others, of Georgetown, against the petition of Isaac P. Tibbetts and others for a law respecting fisheries in the Kennebec river;

Remonstrance of James P. Scott and 58 others, of Georgetown, against same;

Remonstrance of Lemuel G. Williams and 33 others, of Georgetown, against same; Remonstrance of R. D. Brown and 150 others, of Bowdoinham, against same.

These remonstrances were severally referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of the government of the city of Portland, against the petition of Daniel Winslow and others.

Referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the Mayor of the city of Portland, for the passage of an act authorizing said city to hold real estate to the amount of two hundred thousand dollars in addition to the sum now authorized by law.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of John L. Bowman and others, of Eastport, for a Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, and was referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order in relation to the support of poor debtors in prison.

Mr. HAGAR of Richmond, moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House yesterday accepted this report, and to lay the motion on the table and assign to-morrow for its consideration. The House so ordered.

Bill, an act additional to the several acts establishing the county of Piscataquis;

Bill, an act to extend the charter of the Cherryfield Boom Company;

Bill, an act to incorporate the Hancock Agricultural Society;

Bill, an act for the protection of the inhabitants of Long Island against depredations of hunters.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, they were severally passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

. Eine Bill, an act to incorporate the Trustees of West Gardiner Academy, Read three times, and on motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath, the further consideration of the bill was indefinitely postponed. Mr. HANSON of Gardiner, moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House indefinitely postponed the bill, and to lay the motion on the table and assign to-morrow for its consideration, and the House so ordered.

Bill, an act to enable school districts to raise money for the support of schools therein. Read three times, and on motion of Mr. ROWELL of Hallowell, laid on the table.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3, 1858.

The Speaker *pro tem.* announced the absence of the Clerk, and On motion of Mr. BICKNELL of Augusta,

Ordered, That during the absence of the Clerk, CHARLES A. MILLER be and hereby is appointed Clerk pro tempore of the House, with authority to appoint his assistant.

Mr. BICKNELL accompanied the Clerk *pro tempore* to the Council Chamber, where he took and subscribed the oaths essential to qualify him for the discharge of his official duties.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. INGRAHAM of Augusta.

A message was sent to the Senate by Mr. ROAK of Durham, that in the absence of the Clerk, the House had elected CHARLES A. MILLER Clerk *pro tempore*. A similar message was sent to the Governor and Council by Mr. MARSHALL of Belfast. These gentlemen subsequently reported that they had discharged the duty assigned them.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of John S. Patten and others, for the State to adopt measures to secure the sale and settlement of the public lands;

Petition of A. W. Huntress and 57 others, for same;

These petitions came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, and were referred in concurrence.

Bill, an act relating to evidence in courts, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and was referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Counties, on petition of inhabitants of Greenfield and Townships Nos. 1 and 2, in Hancock county, reporting leave to bring in a bill, came from the Senate recommitted to Committee on Division of Counties, and was recommitted in concurrence.

Petition of Samuel Bruce and 49 others, in aid of petition of E. <sup>\*</sup> T. Weeks and others, for incorporation of Patricktown plantation. Referred to the Committee on Division of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. BOODY, from the Committee on Education, to which was referred the petition of the Faculty of the Medical School of Maine for aid, reported a resolve in favor of the Medical School of Maine.

Report accepted. Resolve read once, and Wednesday, March 10th, assigned for its second reading.

Mr. BUXTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported legislation inexpedient on order inquiring what amendments are necessary to be made in chapter 44th of the Revised Statutes, in relation to hawkers and pedlers.

Report read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, reported legislation inexpedient on order directing an inquiry into the expediency of prohibiting the practice of lawyers and pettifoggers in the Supreme Judicial and other Courts, under certain circumstances.

Report read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act additional to an act to authorize the town of Milo to erect and maintain a toll bridge for a limited time, approved August 8, 1848;

Bill, an act to amend section 16, of chapter 91, of the Revised Statutes, relating to lien claims.

These bills having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to authorize a change in the location of the Skowhegan Bank;

Bill, an act to change the name of the Methodist Society in Portland;

Resolve in favor of the Committee on the State Reform School.

The foregoing bills having severally had three readings, and the resolve having been twice read, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Resolve in favor of Passamaquoddy Indians.

This resolve, having had two several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was, on motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais, laid on the table.

Resolve in favor of John Attean and John Neptune.

This resolve having had two several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was, on motion of Mr. PORTER of Lowell, amended as per sheet A, and as amended, passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to reduce the capital stock of the Eastern Bank, Bangor.

This bill having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was, on motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais, laid on the table.

Resolve in favor of John Parent.

This resolve having had two several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Wingate Bradbury.

This resolve, having had two several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was, on motion of Mr. MOOR of Ellsworth, recommitted to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

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Bill, an act to incorporate the Proprietors of Wildwood Cemetery; Bill, an act additional to an act to incorporate the Achorn Lime

Rock Company;

Bill, an act to divide the Congregational Parish in the town of Sanford.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, were severally passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill, an act to provide for a State Valuation, taken from the table

by Mr. GILBERT of Bath, and on his motion referred to the Joint Select Committee on Treasurer's Accounts.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Charles A. Everett and others, for an examination of the slate, iron and other minerals in the county of Piscataquis, and for exploration and survey of railroad route from Belfast or Frankfort through the mineral regions of Piscataquis to Aroostook, and for appropriation for the same;

Petition of C. H. B. Woodbury and others, for same;

Petition of William P. Lamson and 75 others, for same;

Petition of Cyrus Hill and 56 others, for same;

Petition of T. S. Pullen and others, for same;

Petition of Joseph Chase and others, for same;

Petition of John C. Willard and 58 others, for same.

These petitions were taken from the table by Mr. MERRILL of Williamsburg, and on his motion referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of Joel Stilphen and others, against the petition of Ephraim Alley, 2d, and others;

Remonstrance of Moses Call, Jr., and others, against same.

These remonstrances came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and were referred in concurrence.

Bill, an act to enable school districts to raise money for the support of schools therein.

This bill having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was amended as per sheet A, and as amended, was refused a passage.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. KIMBALL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported reference to the next Legislature on petition of John Covill and others.

Report read and accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Rufus Dwinel, for the State to refund money taken ... for stumpage from his land by mistake.

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Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Maine Union Mutual Fire Insurance Company. Laid on the table by Mr. CLEMENT of Palmyra, who moved its reference to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Angela M. Rounds of Lisbon, for change of name. Referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Petition of Bion Bradbury and others, for change in law so as to allow one judge to try capital cases.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. PIKE of Calais, introduced the following order, which, on his motion, was laid on the table:

Ordered, That the Committee on Banks and Banking be directed to report a bill to increase the specie in the State by requiring the banks to keep ten per cent. of their capital stock in specie in their vaults, instead of five per cent as now provided in the banking law. And also providing that the deposits of banks in the Suffolk Bank shall not be deemed specie in their vaults for any purpose, and that no bills shall be deemed out of circulation until returned to the banks issuing them.

Mr. SPOONER of New Portland, introduced the following order, which, on motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads:

Ordered That the Land Agent be directed to employ Mark Barker, or some other suitable man, to examine the townships of land belonging to the State. If he finds any one trespassing on any of said lands, to take their teams, remove them from said land and scale all the timber which has been cut without permit from the Land Agent, making his return to the Land Agent. And that he be directed to treat the trespassers, if any may be found, as the law of the State may direct.

On motion of Mr. BATCHELDER of Kenduskeag,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education be directed to inquire

into the expediency of authorizing and empowering the several towns in this State to establish High or Graded Schools, and that they be instructed to report by bill or otherwise.

Read and passed, and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. DEANE of Portland,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be and hereby are instructed to inquire into the necessity and expediency of codifying and publishing the Private and Special Laws of this State from 1821 to and including the Private and Special Laws of the present Legislature.

Read and passed, and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PORTER of Lowell,

Ordered, That from and after this day, the House of Representatives meet at 9 d'clock A. M., until otherwise ordered.

Read and passed.

Adjourned.

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ATTEST: CHARLES A. MILLER, Clerk pro tem. A true transcript.

ATTEST:

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

# THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. BARTLETT of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of G. W. K. Norwood and others;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Abijah Crosby and others.

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, and were accepted in concurrence.

Bill, an act for the preservation of certain useful birds.

This bill came from the Senate, that branch having adopted House amendments B and C, and rejected amendment A, and as amended passed the bill to be engrossed.

The House refused to reject amendment A, and insisted on its vote passing the bill as amended per sheets A, B. C, annexed, to be engrossed.

Report of the Committee on State Prison, reporting no necessity of visiting the Prison, nor for sending for books of the institution in order to obtain the contemplated information as to the condition of the institution, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was, on motion of Mr. BUXTON of Warren, laid on the table.

Resolve in favor of Parker P. Burleigh.

This resolve came from the Senate reported in a new draft and passed to be engrossed.

It was read once, and Wednesday, March 10, assigned for its second reading.

Petition of Asa Smith and others, for the State to adopt measures to secure the sale and settlement of the public lands, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, and was referred in concurrence.

Mr. KIMBALL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported

legislation inexpedient on petition of Leroyd Hill and others, for an act to protect the owners of grass land on the banks of Union river. Report read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of Asahel Goodwin and 160 others, against the division of the town of York;

Remonstrance of Francis Plaisted and 107 others, against same; Remonstrance of John Barrell and 58 others, against same;

Remonstrance of Ebenezer McIntire and others, against same.

These remonstrances were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, and sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Anson P. Bowles and 64 others, inhabitants of Patricktown plantation, to be annexed to a part of Jefferson and incorporated into a town.

Referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, and sent up for concurrence.

Report of Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting a resolve in relation to the settlement of the public lands, came from the Senate read and accepted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Report read and accepted, and rules suspended. Resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Charles A. Clark and 61 others, against the petition of J. P. Tibbetts and others, for regulating the fishing in the Kennebec river.

Referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. KINGSBURY, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Samuel Clements and others.

The same gentleman, from same Committee, reported leave to withdraw on petition of H. Clay Smith and others.

These reports were severally read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on petition of Andrew Sturtevant and 105 others, reported bill, an act to incorporate the Fayette Mutual Fire Insurance Company; Also, reported bill, an act to incorporate the Woodland Cemetery Corporation, on petition of Moses Mason and others.

These reports were severally read and accepted. Bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for their third reading.

Mr. COMSTOCK, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported reference to the next Legislature on petition of Moses L. Wilder and others;

Mr. FISHER, from same Committee, reported reference to next Legislature on petition of Moses Lincoln and others.

These reports were severally read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. PIKE, from the Committee on Finance, reported leave to withdraw on petition of George D. Bacon and others.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

The same gentleman, from same Committee, reported a resolve relating to taxes on Holbrook Island, on order to inquire into the propriety of abating the State tax on Holbrook Island.

Report accepted. Resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill, an act to make valid the proceedings of the town of Franklin;

Bill, an act to authorize a change in the location of the Skowhegan Bank;

Bill, an act to empower the Collector of Atkinson, for 1858, to close collection of school district tax for District No. 5, in Atkinson, same year;

Resolve in favor of the Committee on State Reform School;

Resolve relative to bounty on cod fisheries.

The foregoing bills having severally had three readings, and the resolves having been twice read, passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were passed to be enacted, the resolves finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. WHITNEY, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns,

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reported reference to the next Legislature on petition of Daniel Neal and 21 others.

Report accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. BATCHELDER, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported leave to withdraw on petition of J. B. Marrow and others.

Report read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. BANKS, from the Committee on Manufactures, on petition of Walter Foss and others, reported bill, an act to incorporate the North Leeds Steam Mill and Manufacturing Company.

. Report read and accepted Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order in relation to the support of poor debtors in prison.

The House reconsidered its vote whereby it accepted the report of this Committee, and on motion of Mr. HAGAR of Richmond, the report was recommitted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of Levi Whitman and others, reporting bill, an act to establish salaries for County Commissioners.

This report came from the Senate, read and accepted and the bill committed to Committee of one from each county on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join.

The House, in concurrence, accepted the report of the Committee, and joined on the part of the House to the Committee proposed by the Senate, one from each county, so that the Committee as joined, consist of

Messrs. Goddard, McClusky, Burbank, Hoyt, Sargent, Wing, Burpee, Twitchell, Plaisted, Wiggin, West, Connor, McGilvery, Ring, Dane, on the part of the Senate, and Messrs. Holt of Turner, Pattee of Fort Fairfield, Sawyer of Baldwin, Chick of Madrid, Moor of Ellsworth, Weeks of Vassalborough, Cunningham of Edgecomb, Bean of Brownfield, Porter of Lowell, Nutting of Parkman, Quint of Bowdoinham, Hale of Norridgewock, Wing of Searsmont, Rackliff of Wesley, Tapley of Saco, on the part of the House. Resolve in favor of Davis R. Stockwell.

This resolve was taken from the table, and on motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais, recommitted to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Spencer G. Bowes.

This resclve having had two several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Trustees of West Gardiner Academy.

The House reconsidered the vote whereby it indefinitely postponed the further consideration of this bill, and on motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath, it was laid on the table.

Mr. PATTEE, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, to which was referred an act to incorporate the town of Fort Fairfield, reported the same in a new draft.

Report read and accepted. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 12 of the Revised Statutes, respecting parishes and religious societies. Taken from the table, and on motion of Mr. BOODY of Brunswick, was further amended as per sheet D annexed, and as amended, passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 59 of the Revised Statutes, relating to marriage and its solemnization. Taken from the table on motion of Mr. RIDEOUT of Cumberland, and the question being on receding and concurring with the Senate in rejecting amendments B, D and E, and adopting amendment H. Mr. TAPLEY of Saco, moved the question be taken by yeas and nays, and the House so ordered, and being so taken, the House receded and concurred with the Senate in the proposed amendments by yeas 86, nays 34, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Bailey, Banks, Batchelder, Bicknell, Bowen, Brown, Bucknam, Burbank, H. M. Chadbourne, S. J. Chadbourne, Chick, A. H. Clark, Cunningham, Clement, Coffin, Conant, E. Davis, J. Davis, Deane, R. R. Drummond, Dunn, Estes, Field, Fisher, Flye, French, Goodale, J. Hall, Hanson, Hale, Hersey, Hill, Johnson, Judkins, C. A. Kimball, G. A. Kimball, I. C. Kimball, S. Kingsbury, T. R. Kingsbury, Knapp, C. E. Libbey, Maddox, Marcyes, Marshall, Mayo, Merithew, Merrill, Miller, Milliken, J. L. Moor, J. Palmer, Parker, Parsons, Pattee, Percy, Perkins, Pettengill, F. A. Pike, Plummer, S. R. Porter, Quint, Rackliff, Rice, Rideout, Roak, Rowell, Sally, Sanborn, Sargent, Sawyer, Shearman, Skinner, Stanley, Strickland, M. E. Sweat, W. H. Sweat, Tapley, Tillson, Wadlin, Walsh, Wasson, Waterhouse, Weeks, Whitney, Woodbury, Woodman.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Balch, Bean, Blaisdell, Boody, Brackett, Bunker, Buxton, Case, E. Clark, Comstock, Foss, Fuller, Gilbert, Keene, Lane, Leighton, J. Libbey, Longfellow, Loring, McGlauflin, Nutting, Oliver, H. Pike, J. B. Pike, J. Porter, Pratt, Ranney, A. B. Shaw, Skillin, B. Smith, Snow, Spooner, Wheeler, Wing.

On motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath, the bill was laid on the table.

Remonstrance of town of Bethel, against annexing Hamlin's Grant to Bethel;

Remonstrance of Hiram Day and others, against same;

These remonstrances were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Henry McGuire and others, in aid of the memorial of Maine State Agricultural Society.

Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to divide the Congregational Parish in the town of Sanford;

Bill, an act to change the name of the Methodist Society in Portland.

These bills having each had three several readings, passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, were passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of Josiah P. Bean. Taken from the table by Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, and on his motion the House adhered to its vote passing the resolve to be engrossed.

Order from the Senate.

Ordered, That the State Treasurer be required to report forthwith to this Legislature, the sum remaining in the treasury of that fund commonly denominated the "surplus revenue" belonging to and to which the inhabitants of the Madawaska plantations are entitled, with the amount of annual interest due thereon since the year 1837.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and was passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HILL of Sullivan,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that the Joint Standing Committees be directed to report finally on all business referred to them, on or before the 15th instant.

Read and passed.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MOOR of Ellsworth,

Ordered, That the Committee on Accounts be directed to inquire whether anything has been received, and how much each year, since 1854, for the grass grown on the State lands connected with the Capitol buildings, and report the same to the Legislature as soon as may be.

Read and passed.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PARSONS of Eustis plantation,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be directed to furnish the

House with the items for furniture and repairs, charged "in gross" on page 4 of the Treasurer's Report for 1857.

Also, the items for the same for 1856.

Read and passed.

Adjourned.

ATTEST: CHAS. A. MILLER, Clerk pro tem. A true transcript,

Attest :

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

#### FRIDAY, MARCH 5, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. FELCH of Hallowell.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Darius Forbes and others;

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of David Godfrey;

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of D. A. Fairbanks.

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, and were read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of James Cutts and others, came from the Senate read and accepted, and on motion of Mr. SPOONER of New Portland, was laid on the table.

Report of same Committee, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of A. J. W. Stevens and others, came from the Senate read and accepted, and on motion of Mr. LORING of Guilford, was laid on the table.

Resolve in relation to the settlement of the public lands.

This resolve having had two several readings, passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, was finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Joint Standing Committee on State Lands and State Roads, to which was referred the report of the Land Agent, reporting bill, an act to establish the office of Auditor of Accounts, came from the Senate read and accepted. Bill amended as per sheets A, B, C, and as amended passed to be engrossed.

The report was accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading. Report of the Committee on Judiciary, on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to costs in criminal prosecutions.

This report came from the Senste, that branch having amended as per sheet B, the instructions of the House.

The House insisted on its former vote, and proposed a Conference, and appointed Messrs. Pike of Calais, Woodman of Bucksport, and Tapley of Saco, Conferences on the part of the House.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Walter Haynes and others, for the adoption of measures to secure the settlement of the public lands, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, and was referred in concurrence.

Order from the Senate.

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be requested to lay before the Committee on Accounts the bill of Thomas J. Sherman, Coroner in Washington county.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and was passed in concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Fayette Mutual Fire Insurance Company;

Bill, an act to incorporate the Woodland Cemetery Company;

Bill, an act to incorporate the North Leeds Steam Mill and Manufacturing Company;

Bill, an act to incorporate the town of Fort Fairfield;

Resolve relating to taxes on Holbrook Island.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and the resolve having been twice read, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 59 of the Revised Statutes, relating to marriage and its solemnization.

This bill was taken from the table, and the question pending at the adjournment of yesterday's session being upon its passage to be engrossed, it was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill, an act to repeal an act to incorporate the town of Islandport; 20 Bill, an act to provide for enforcing liens on vessels;

Bill, an act to amend chapters 6 and 18 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the location and repair of roads in unincorporated places.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were taken from the table and passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. STRICKLAND, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Alfred W. Johnson, reported a resolve for the conveyance of land to John Crosby and Alfred W. Johnson;

Mr. SAWYER, from the Committee on Military Pensions, on petition of Nathaniel Hanscom, reported a resolve in favor of Nathaniel Hanscom.

The foregoing reports were severally accepted. Resolves each read once, and March 10th assigned for their second reading.

Mr. SPOONER, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on order directing the Land Agent to enforce the trespass law in all cases of trespass, reported resolve in relation to trespasses upon the public lands.

Report accepted. Resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill, an act to amend section 15, of chapter 5, of Revised Statutes, relating to lands reserved for public uses. Taken from the table by Mr. PRENTISS of Bangor, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. ARNOLD of Skowhegan,

Ordered, That the recommendations contained in the Report of the Superintendent of Common Schools, be referred to the Committee on Education.

Read and passed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Trustees of West Gardiner Academy. Taken from the table on motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath, and the question being on its indefinite postponement, the bill was indefinitely postponed, and sent up for concurrence. Mr. PERKINS, from the Committee (n Claims, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Robert P. Chase.

Read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Resolves relating to Kansas and slavery. Taken from the table, and the question being to reconsider the vote whereby the House rejected the amendment offered by Mr. Ranney of Winn, the resolves were, on motion of Mr. BOODY of Brunswick, laid on the table.

Resolve in favor of Corinna Union Academy. Taken from the table by Mr. BUNKER of Corinna, and on his motion, Wednesday, March 10, assigned for its consideration.

Resolve in favor of John A. Cleaveland. Laid on the table by Mr. BOODY of Brunswick, and on his motion referred to the Committee on Claims.

Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of the inhabitants of Woolwich, against petition of Isaac P. Tibbetts and others ;

Remonstrance of James F. Mustard and 53 others, citizens of Topsham, against same.

These remonstrances were referred to the Committee on Fisheries. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Edward Kent and 31 others, of the Penobscot bar, that one judge may be authorized to try capital cases.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of inhabitants of School District No. 15, in Parkman, to have doings of same made valid.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of T. B. Seabury and 50 others of Parkman, for the adoption of measures to secure the sale and settlement of the public lands and the promotion of the general industry of the State.

Referred to Committee on State Lands and State Roads, and sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to taxes.

This bill having had three several readings, passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes, in relation to filing specifications of defence, taken from the table, the question being upon its passage to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering the same.

Mr. JOHNSON, Chairman of the Committee, subsequently reported "progress, and ask leave to sit again."

Report accepted.

Adjourned.

ATTEST: CHAS. A. MILLER, Clerk pro tem.

A true transcript, ATTEST :

# GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

### SATURDAY, MARCH 6, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. BUTTERFIELD of Hallowell.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on account of William Bennett, reported "the account be not allowed;"

Report of the Committee on the Treasurer's Accounts, reporting legislation inexpedient on petition of H. G. O. Cass and others;

Also, reporting legislation inexpedient on petition of the Selectmen of Blanchard;

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, reporting legislation inexpedient on petition of Ebenezer Brown and others;

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting legislation inexpedient on petition of W. S. Gilman and others.

These reports came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and were accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reporting bill, an act to incorporate the Proprietors of Maine Wharf in Portland;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of Samuel Averill, 2d, and others, reporting bill, an act to authorize Samuel Averill, 2d, to build a wharf in Newcastle;

Also, on petition of John Glidden and others, reporting bill, an act to authorize the extension of Jack's Point Wharf in Newcastle.

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, and the bills passed to be engrossed.

The reports were accepted in concurrence, the bills read twice, and Monday next assigned for their third reading.

Mr. CLARK, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Daniel Winslow and others.

Report read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reporting bill, an act repealing "an act to incorporate the Portland Marine Railway," approved February 6, A. D. 1826; Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of Isaac M. Bragg, reporting a bill, entitled an act to incorporate the East Branch Mattawamkeag Dam Company;

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on sundry petitions asking for additional laws relating to the inspection of lime, reporting a bill, entitled an act additional to chapter 39 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the inspection of lime;

The above reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the bills passed to be engrossed.

Reports severally accepted in concurrence. Bills read twice each, and Monday next assigned for their third reading.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of the Directors of the Kennebec Log Driving Company, reporting a bill, entitled an act additional concerning the Kennebec Log Driving Company.

This report came from the Senate recommitted, and it was recommitted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, on communication of State Treasurer, reporting a resolve relating to the Passamaquoddy Indians.

This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Resolve read once, and Monday next assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on Education, on petition of Edward Kent and 1347 others, reporting a resolve in favor of the East Maine Conference Seminary;

Report of the Committee on Claims, on account of Masters & Smith, reporting a resolve in favor of Masters, Smith & Co.

The above reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the resolves passed to be engrossed.

Reports accepted in concurrence. Resolves read once each, and Wednesday, March 10, assigned for their second reading.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on Land Agent's Report, reporting a resolve authorizing the sale of certain lots of land in the county of Aroostook. This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Rules suspended, resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Order from the Senate.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of empowering aldermen of cities and selectmen of towns, to require the owners or proprietors of public inns and hotels to provide suitable and sufficient ladders and fire escapes from the different stories of their inns and public houses, whenever in the judgment of the aldermen or selectmen it may be necessary.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and was passed in concurrence.

Petition of David F. Adams and others, in aid of the sale and settlement of the public lands, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, and was referred in concurrence.

Remonstrance of A. T. Dole and 37 others, citizens of Portland, against the proposed loan of the State credit in aid of the Aroostook Railroad Company, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The House non-concurred and referred the same to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate had made choice, on its part, of WILLIAM H. TITCOMB as Major General of the Fourth Division of the Militia of Maine, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Major General William S. Cochran.

On motion of Mr. MARSHALL of Belfast,

Ordered, That 10 o'clock this forenoon be assigned as the time for the House to proceed to the election of a Major General to fill the vacancy now existing in the Fourth Division of the Militia of this State, created by the resignation of Major General William S. Cochran.

Read and passed.

The hour having arrived contemplated in the order introduced by Mr. Marshall of Belfast, on motion of Mr. TILLSON of Rockland, Messrs. Tillson of Rockland, Bunker of Corinna, Wadlin of Northport, Wheeler of Greenfield, Libbey of Machiasport, Pettengill of Wayne, and Mitchell of Washington, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Major General of the Fourth Division of the Militia of this State.

Having attended to their duty, the Committee, through the Chairman, reported

	Whole number of votes,		102
l.	Necessary to a choice,		52
	William H. Titcomb had		77
	B. F. Buxton	"	20
	C. W. Goddard	"	4
	T. H. Marshall	"	1

And WILLIAM H. TITCOMB was declared duly elected, on the part of the House, Major General of the Fourth Division of the Militia of Maine.

Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, gave notice to the House, that on Monday next, he should move a suspension, for the remainder of the present session, of the 55th rule of the "Rules and Orders" of the House.

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Charles H. Thompson and 31 others. Also, leave to withdraw on petition of A. S. Hill and others;

Mr. PRENTISS, from the same Committee, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Albion J. Potter and 92 others;

Mr. FRENCH, from the same Committee, reported legislation inexpedient on order to inquire into the expediency of repealing section 38, chapter 81, of the Revised Statutes. Also, legislation inexpedient on order relating to amending section 13, of chapter 141 of the Revised Statutes.

The foregoing reports were severally read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on peti-

tion of Willard P. White and others, reported bill, an act to enable the inhabitants of Orland to pay Willard P. White an additional sum for building a bridge.

Report read and accepted. Bill read twice, and Monday next assigned for its third reading.

The same gentleman, from same Committee, on order inquiring into the expediency of amending chapter 105 Revised Statutes, reported bill, an act additional to chapter 136 of the Revised Statutes, for the collection and disposal of fines and costs in criminal cases.

Report read and accepted, bill read twice, and on motion of Mr. DEANE of Portland, it was laid on the table, and the usual number of copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. MOOR, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, to which was recommitted the resolve of Wingate Bradbury, reported resolve in favor of Wingate Bradbury;

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on petition of Justus Gray, reported resolve in aid of Justus Gray;

Mr. SPOONER, from same Committee, on petition of John Mc-Clusky, reported resolve in favor of John McClusky;

Mr. MERRILL, from same Committee, on petition of Peter Walker, reported a resolve in aid of building mills in township No. 5, Range 13.

The foregoing reports were severally read and accepted, the resolves were read once each, and Wednesday, March 10, assigned for their second reading.

Mr. BOODY, from the Committee on Education, reported bill, an act to amend "an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Maine State Seminary," approved March 16, 1855.

Report read and accepted. Bill read twice, and Monday next assigned for its third reading.

Mr. SNOW, from same Committee, reported reference to next Legislature on petition of Trustees of Foxcroft Academy.

Report read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Madawaska, Hancock and Van Buren planta-

tions. Taken from the table on motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in relation to trespassers upon the public lands.

This resolve having been twice read, and reported by the Committee on bills in the Third Reading, Mr. PRENTISS of Bangor, moved to amend as per sheet A.

Mr. SPOONER of New Portland, moved that when that question be taken it be taken by yeas and nays, and the House so ordered, and being so taken, the House refused to adopt the amendment, by yeas 4, nays 94, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. J. B. Pike, Prentiss, Ranney, and Strickland.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Andrews, Bailey, Balch, Batchelder, Bean, Bicknell, Blaisdell, Bowen, Brackett, Brown, Buck, Bucknam, Bunker, H. M. Chadbourne, E. Clark, Cunningham, Clements, Coffin, Comstock, Conant, E. Davis, J. H. Drummond, Dunn, Estes, Fisher, Flye, Foss, French, Fuller, Gilbert, Hanson, Hale, Hersey, Hill, Ingalls, Johnson, Judkins, Keene, C. A. Kimball, T. R. Kingsbury, Knapp, Lane, Leighton, C. E. Libbey, J. Libbey, Longfellow, Loring, Maddocks, Marcyes, Marshall, Maybery, Mayo, McGlauflin, Milliken, Mitchell, J. L. Moor, Morrison, Nutting, Oliver, Parker, Parsons, Pattee, Perkins, Pettengill, Pierce, F. A. Pike, H. Pike, Plummer, J. Porter, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Quint, Rackliffe, Rideout, Roak, Rowell, Sally, Sanborn, Sargent, Sawyer, Shearman, Skillin, Skinner, Snow, Spooner, Stanley, M. E. Swett, W. H. Swett, Wadlin, Walsh, Wasson, Waterhouse, Weeks, Wheeler, Wing, Woodbury, Woodman, York.

The resolve was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. HAGAR, from the Committee on Division of Counties, on petition of inhabitants of the town of Greenfield and Townships Nos. 1 and 2, Hancock county, reported bill, an act to set off the town of Greenfield and Townships numbered 1 and 2, in the county of Hancock, and annex the same to the county of Penobscot. Report read and accepted. Bill read twice, and Monday next assigned for its third reading.

Mr. FLYE, from the Committee on Accounts, on order inquiring into the amount of money received from the grass cut on the State lands connected with the capitol buildings, reported the amounts received, for the years specified in the order.

Report read and accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Treasurer's Accounts, reporting legislation inexpedient on petition of the town of Scarborough.

This report came from the Senate, read and accepted.

On motion of Mr. SKILLIN of North Yarmouth, the same was referred to the next Legislature.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians.

This resolve was taken from the table on motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to establish the office of Auditor of Accounts. .

This bill having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was, on motion of Mr. BUCK of Oldtown, laid on the table.

Petition of W. Crowell and 26 others, of Whitefield, that Patricktown may be incorporated.

Referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of S. E. Griffith and others, for increase of officers' fees. Filed with report and papers of Judiciary Committee. Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Charles A. Everett and others, for aid to build a road from Katahdin Iron Works to Chesuncook lake.

Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of Luther Bradford and 167 others, against the repeal of the law regulating fisheries in the Kennebec river.

Referred to the Committee on Fisheries. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PRENTISS of Bangor,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads be directed to inquire into the propriety of passing further laws to prevent trespasses on timber lands of the State or of private individuals, and to report by bill or otherwise.

Read and passed.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads be directed to inquire into the expediency of making an appropriation to repair the road on the Indian Township, in the county of Washington.

Read and passed.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport,

Ordered, That when this House adjourn, it adjourn to meet on Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

Adjourned.

ATTEST: CHARLES A. MILLER, Clerk pro tem. A true transcript.

ATTEST:

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

## MONDAY, MARCH 8, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. MOORE of Hallowell.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting legislation inexpedient on order relating to the expenses of persons committed to houses of correction. Also, making same report on an order relating to the time when the lien created by attachment on mesne process shall begin. Also, making same report on order in relation to amending section 65, of chapter 86, of the Revised Statutes;

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Ephraim Otis and others. Also, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Daniel M. Crockett and others;

Report of the Committee on Military Pensions, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Thomas Webb. Also, a final report of said Committee, reporting that they have acted on all matters referred to them, and asking to be discharged from further service.

The foregoing reports came from the Senate, having been read and accepted.

They were severally read and accepted in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of John Attean and John Neptune.

This resolve came from the Senate, that branch refusing to adopt amendment A of the House, and then passing the resolve to be engrossed.

The House receded and concurred with the Senate in rejecting the amendment, and passed the resolve to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition of J. D. Bowman and others, reporting a bill, entitled an act to incorporate the Eastport Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Order from the Senate, directing the Land Agent to transmit to the Legislature information as to amount paid, or agreed to be paid, to the State for the sale of public lands from 1827 to 1858 inclusive, was read and passed in concurrence.

Bill, an act for the preservation of certain useful birds;

Resolve in favor of John Parent.

The above bill having had three several readings, and the resolve having had two readings, and each passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bill was passed to be enacted, the resolve was finally passed, and they were signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill, an act to enable the inhabitants of Orland to pay Willard P. White an additional price for building a bridge;

Bill, an act to authorize Samuel Averill, 2d, to build a wharf in Newcastle;

Bill, an act to amend an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Maine State Seminary, approved March 16, 1855;

Bill, an act to set off the town of Greenfield and Townships Nos. 1 and 2, in the county of Hancock, and annex the same to the county of Penobscot.

The above bills having each had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the East Branch Mattawamkeag Dam Company;

Bill, an act additional to chapter 39 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the inspection of lime;

Bill, an act to authorize the extension of Jack's Point Wharf in Newcastle;

Bill, an act repealing "an act to incorporate the Portland Marine Railway";

Bill, an act to incorporate the Proprietors of Maine Wharf in Portland;

Bill, an act relating to the discipline of the State Prison. On this bill the House receded and concurred with the Senate in amending the bill as per sheet B. The above bills having each had three readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, they were severally passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Resolve relating to the Passamaquoddy Indians.

This resolve having had two several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill, entitled an act relating to mortgages of personal property and the redemption thereof, reported the bill in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and to morrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 12 of the Revised Statutes, respecting parishes and religious societies.

This bill came from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House voted to insist on the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed, and proposed a conference of the two Houses, and appointed Messrs. Boody of Brunswick, Johnson of Augusta, and Woodman of Bucksport, as conferences on the part of the House.

Mr. PRENTISS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported legislation inexpedient on order directing inquiry into the necessity of amending sections 5 and 6, of chapter 30, of the Revised Statutes.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

#### On motion of Mr. WATERHOUSE of Lyman,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire if any legislation is necessary to enable an assessment of its proportion of the county tax upon the town of Dayton, and report by bill or otherwise.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of F. J. Parker and 32 others, for the adoption of measures for the sale and settlement of the public lands, was ordered to be filed with the report and papers of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of W. R. Sawyer and others, of Milbridge, for leave to extend a wharf into tide waters, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Sent up for concurrence.

A message was conveyed to the Senate by the Clerk, informing that branch of the Legislature that, on Saturday last the House concurred with the Senate in the election of William H. Titcomb as Major General of the Fourth Division of Maine Militia, in place of Major General William S. Cochran, resigned.

Order relating to instructing Bank Committee to report a bill requiring banks to keep ten per cent of their capital in their vaults, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, it was amended by striking out the words "and that no bills shall be deemed out of circulation until returned to the bank issuing them." Mr. PRENTISS of Bangor, moved further to amend as per sheet A, and on motion of Mr. BUCK of Oldtown, the order was laid on the table.

Bill, an act to authorize Eustis plantation to raise money to repair roads and bridges in said plantation. Laid on the table by Mr. PARSONS of Eustis plantation, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on petition of James Cutts and others, was taken from the table on motion of Mr. SPOONER of New Portland, and recommitted with instructions to report a bill.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of same Committee, on petition of A. J. W. Stevens and others, was taken from the table on motion of Mr. LORING of Guilford, and recommitted with instructions to report a bill.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act additional to an act to authorize the town of Milo to

crect and maintain a toll bridge for a limited time, approved August 8, 1848;

Resolve in favor of Spencer G. Bowes.

The above bill having had three several readings, and the resolve having had two readings, and each passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bill was passed to be enacted, the resolve finally passed. They were signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

ATTEST :

# GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

# TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 1858.

No Chaplain present.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of Daniel Howes and others, of New Sharon, in aid of memorial of the Maine State Agricultural Society;

Petition of P. M. Stubbs and others, for same.

The above petitions came from the Senate having been referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Referred in concurrence.

Order from the Senate directing the Committee on Indian Affairs to inquire into the expediency of providing a local Auditor of the accounts of the Indian Agent at Oldtown, was passed in concurrence.

Reports of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting leave to withdraw on petitions of Sally Mayberry, G. W. Spratt and others, and also on petition of Charles E. White and others, also on petition of Charles Simmons and others. Also, reporting legislation inexpedient on order relative to amending chapters 81 and 92 of the Revised Statutes relating to actions of breach of promise of marriage. Also, same report on order in relation to enabling executors and administrators to assign mortgages of real estate. Also, same report on bill, an act to amend section 11, of chapter 77, of the Revised Statutes.

The foregoing reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted.

They were severally read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on petition of Samuel A. Lawrence of Lubec, reporting leave to withdraw, came from the Senate read and accepted.

It was read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of same Committee, on petition of Charles W. Lowell and others, reporting a bill, an act to prevent the destruction of trout and pickerel in Sebec pond and its tributaries. This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Report of Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of George W. Smith, reporting a resolve in relation to Township L, Range 2.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on State Reform School, on order directing said Committee to visit that institution, reporting a bill, entitled an act additional to chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Reform School;

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill, an act relating to the laying out of streets and ways in the city of Portland.

The above reports came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the bills passed to be engrossed.

Reports accepted in concurrence. Bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for their third reading.

Resolve in favor of the Reform School.

This resolve came from the Senate having been passed to be engrossed.

Read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on Treasurer's Accounts, on petition of the town of Scarborough for a reduction of their State valuation.

This report came from the Senate, that branch refusing to concur with the House in referring the report to the next Legislature, and insisting on its former vote accepting the report.

The House receded and concurred with the Senate in accepting the report.

Remonstrance of Carlton Houdlette and 28 others, of the town of Richmond, against the petition of Isaac P. Tibbetts and others; Remonstrance of Elijah C. Hatch and others, against same. These remonstrances were referred to the Committee on Fisheries. Sent up for concurrence.

The House took up the consideration of the motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta, notice of which was given by him on Saturday last, and voted to suspend the action of the 55th rule of the House during the remainder of the present session.

Mr. MARSHALL, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on petition of the Directors of the Union Bank at Brunswick, reported a bill, entitled an act to reduce the capital stock of the Union Bank at Brunswick;

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on petition of the Directors of the Pejepscot Bank, reported a bill, entitled an act to reduce the capital stock of the Pejepscot Bank at Brunswick;

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on petition of the Directors of the Maine Bank at Brunswick, reported a bill, entitled an act to reduce the capital stock of the Maine Bank at Brunswick;

Mr. HAGAR, from the same Committee, on petition of President and Directors of the Richmond Bank, reported a bill, entitled an act to authorize a reduction in the capital stock of the Richmond Bank at Richmond.

The above reports were severally read and accepted. Bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for their third reading.

Bill, an act relating to mortgages of personal property and the redemption thereof.

This bill was read three times, and on motion of Mr. BUCK of Oldtown, it was laid on the table.

Remonstrance of Samuel H. Foster and 34 others, against the petition of Isaac P. Tibbetts and others;

Remonstrance of Charles Clapp, Jr., and 39 others of Bath, against the alteration of the law relating to fisheries in the Kennebec river;

Remonstrance of Sanford Rittal and 45 others, against the same;

Remonstrance of Stephen Walker and 85 others, against the same.

These remonstrances were severally referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Sent up for concurrence.

Claim of the Treasurer of the town of Stoneham, for bounty paid on wild animals, was referred to the Committee on Accounts, and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. PARSONS, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Paul Peavey.

Report accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the Committee on State Prison. Laid on the table by Mr. MOOR of Ellsworth.

Read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Trustees of West Gardiner Academy. This bill came from the Senate, that branch refusing to concur with the House in indefinitely postponing, and insisting on its former vote passing the bill to be engrossed, and proposing a Conference, and appointing Messrs. Berry of Kennebec, Fletcher and Twitchell, Conferences on the part of the Senate.

The House insisted on its vote, agreed to the proposition for a Conference, and appointed Messrs. Boody of Brunswick, Davis of Fairfield, and Gilbert of Bath, Conferences on the part of the House.

Bill, an act for the suppression of certain common nuisances, was taken from the table on motion of Mr. Johnson of Augusta, read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Mr. WADLIN, from the Committee on Claims, on petition of E. B. Hinckley and others, reported leave to withdraw.

Report accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Eastport Mutual Fire Insurance Company;

Bill, an act to reduce the capital stock of the Eastern Bank, Bangor.

These bills were taken from the table, and having had three several readings each, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, they were severally passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Columbus Crockett.

This resolve having been twice read, and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third reading, was passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. STRICKLAND of Bangor,

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee be instructed to inquire into the expediency of passing further laws to prevent log stealing. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PIERCE of Kittery,

Ordered, That the Senate be requested to return to the House the petition of Ira B. Delano—for relief from a note held by the State, and from losses by reason of the State's taking his logs which he had paid for—on their files for the year 1857.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MOOR of Ellsworth,

Ordered, That an act to amend chapter 149 of the Public Laws of 1845, be taken from the files and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. SPOONER of New Portland,

Ordered, That the Land Committee be directed to take under consideration the propriety of the State's selling stumpage on the public lands, and if stumpage is sold, what price the State should sell the same, and report to the Legislature.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of the same gentleman,

Ordered, That the Land Agent be requested to present to this House a list of all permits granted for more than one year now in the Land Office, by whom, and to whom given, when dated, price of stumpage, and when said permits expire.

Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of William Woodbury and 32 others, against loaning the credit of the State in aid of the Aroostook railroad;

Remonstrance of David C. Magoun and 63 others, against the same;

Petition of Nelson Rowe and 43 others of Masardis, to secure the sale and settlement of the public lands;

Petition of H. B. Emery and 37 others, for same.

The above remonstrances and petitions were severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of William Spring and 48 others of Alexander, against the petition of Godfrey Lydick, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of Benjamin Walker and 69 others, of Bridgton, against any change of tolls on the Cumberland and Oxford Canal;

Remonstrance of Silas Blake and 54 others, against same;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, and sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to establish the office of Auditor of Accounts.

This bill being under consideration, Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, moved the indefinite postponement thereof. On motion of Mr. BUCK of Oldtown, the bill was laid on the table.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 39 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the inspection of lime;

Bill, an act to amend chapter 59 of the Revised Statutes, relating to marriage and its solemnization;

Bill, an act relating to the discipline of the State Prison;

Bill, an act to incorporate the Fayette Mutual Fire Insurance Company;

Bill, an act to authorize the extension of Jack's Point Wharf, in Newcastle;

Bill, an act to amend section 15th, of chapter 5th, of the Revised Statutes, relating to lands reserved for public uses;

Resolves relating to taxes on Holbrook Island;

Resolve relating to the Passamaquoddy Indians;

Resolve in favor of John Attean and John Neptune.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and the resolves having had two readings each, and having severally been passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were passed to be enacted, the resolves finally passed, and they were each signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill, an act additional to an act incorporating the Waldo Mills Company.

Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, asked and obtained leave to lay this bill on the table, and on his motion it was read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Resolves relating to Kansas and slavery.

These resolves were taken from the table on motion of Mr. POR-TER of Sebago, and the question pending was the motion made by Mr. TAPLEY of Saco, to reconsider the vote whereby the House refused to adopt the amendment offered by Mr. RANNEY of Winn, and on the vote being taken the House refused to reconsider its vote. Mr. BOODY of Brunswick, moved to amend by striking out all after the title and insert instead thereof the words on paper marked B, paper annexed. Mr. MOOR of Ellsworth, moved to lay the proposed amendment on the table and print the usual number of copies for the use of the Legislature, and pending this question

The House adjourned.

ATTEST :

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. SMITH of Litchfield.

Papers from the Senate.

Claim of the Treasurer of the town of Patten, for bounty paid on wild animals, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, on bill, entitled an act to incorporate the Farmington Falls Debating Club and Library Association.

This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

A communication from the Treasurer of the State, relating to surplus revenue belonging to Madawaska, came from the Senate, and was read and placed on file.

Petition of Daniel Merritt, for repayment of twenty dollars paid to State Treasurer in 1856, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of James W. North and 40 others, against loaning the credit of the State in aid of the Aroostook Railroad, was ordered to be filed with the report and papers of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of T. C. S. Berry and 38 others, of Smyrna;

Petition of J. S. Huxford and others, and

Petition of Samuel Butman of Plymouth, in aid of the memorial of the Maine State Agricultural Society, were ordered to be filed with the report and papers of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. BOODY, from the Committee on Education, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to High and Graded schools. Also, same report on order relating to school books;

Mr. MORRISON, from the same Committee, on resolve in favor of Nathaniel Allen, reported the resolve and that it ought not to pass.

The above reports were severally read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. KIMBALL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of William R. Sawyer, reported a bill, entitled an act to authorize William R. Sawyer to extend a wharf into tide waters at Milbridge harbor;

Mr. STRICKLAND, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Sewall Lake, reported a resolve in aid of the heirs of Benjamin Lowell and Lydia Lowell;

Mr. PIKE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of the Selectmen of the town of Brownfield, reported a bill, entitled an act to make valid the doings of the town officers of the town of Brownfield;

Mr. COMSTOCK, from the Committee on Fisheries, on order relating to amending law concerning fisheries in the St. Croix river, reported a bill, entitled an act amending an act for the preservation of fish in the St. Croix river;

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Judiciary Committee, on petition of H. G. O. Barrows and others, and on petition of Nathaniel Coffin and others, and on petition of J. P. Blood and others, reported a bill, entitled an act additional to chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the destruction of moose and deer.

The above reports were severally read and accepted. Bills read twice, resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills and the second reading of the resolve.

Resolve to economize time and expedite the public business. Laid on the table by Mr. KIMBALL of Rumford, and under the rule lies over until to-morrow.

Mr. GILBERT, from the Judiciary Committee, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to amending the 77th chapter of the Revised Statutes, relating to the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court setting as a court of law. Also, on order relating to legislation on offers of default in pending actions;

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported on bill, an act relating to evidence in courts, that the bill ought not to pass;

Mr. PIKE, from the same Committee, on order relative to amending chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, so as to make non-resident proprietors subject to the same rules as resident proprietors, reported legislation inexpedient;

Mr. PIERCE, from the Committee of the York County Delegation, on petition of Francis Bacon, reported leave to withdraw.

The foregoing reports were severally read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting that they have passed on all matters referred to them, and asking to be discharged from further service.

This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted. It was read and accepted in concurrence.

Remonstrance of A. W. H. Clapp and 60 others, of Portland, against loaning the credit of the State to any railroad or projected railroad;

Remonstrance of R. H. Gardiner and 190 others, of Gardiner, against the petition of the Gardiner and Pittston Bridge Company, for increase of toll.

The above remonstrances came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Referred in concurrence.

Petition of William Singer and 12 others, citizens of Thomaston, for alteration of law in criminal cases, so as to make towns and cities liable for costs in cases originating in said towns, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Account of the city of Portland, against the State, was referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath,

Ordered, That the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance be and hereby are instructed to inquire into the expediency of a repeal or alteration of the 33d section of the 49th chapter of the Revised Statutes, so that a Director in insurance companies may also be Secretary or Treasurer.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to secure the safety and convenience of travelers on railroads, was taken from the table on motion of Mr. MOOR of . Ellsworth, considered, and on motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, it was laid on the table.

Resolve in favor of the Reform School, was read a second time, and on motion of Mr. DEANE of Portland, it was laid on the table.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Reform School, was read the third time, and on motion of Mr. DEANE of Portland, it was laid on the table.

Resolve in favor of Parker P. Burleigh;

Resolve in favor of Masters, Smith and Company;

Bill, an act relating to the laying out of streets and ways in the city of Portland.

The above resolves having had two several readings, and the bill having had three readings, and each reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, they were severally passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of John McClusky;

Resolve in favor of the Committee on the State Prison;

Resolve in aid of Justus Gray;

Resolve in favor of Wingate Bradbury;

Resolve for the conveyance of land to John Crosby and Alfred W. Johnson;

Resolve in favor of Nathaniel Hanscom;

Bill, an act additional to an act incorporating the Waldo Mills Company;

Bill, an act to reduce the capital stock of the Pejepscot Bank; Bill, an act to reduce the capital stock of the Union Bank; Bill, an act to reduce the capital stock of the Maine Bank;

Bill, an act to authorize a reduction in the capital stock of the Richmond Bank.

The foregoing resolves having each had two several readings, and the bills having each had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the town of Fort Fairfield;

Bill, an act repealing an act to incorporate the Portland Marine Railway;

Bill, an act to incorporate the Woodland Cemetery Company;

Bill, an act to authorize Samuel Averill, 2d, to build a wharf in Newcastle;

Bill, an act to incorporate the East Branch Mattawamkeag Dam Company;

Bill, an act to set off a part of the town of Jefferson and annex the same to the town of Newcastle;

Bill, an act to incorporate the Proprietors of Maine Wharf in Portland;

Bill, an act to reduce the capital stock of the Eastern Bank, Bangor;

Bill, an act to incorporate the North Leeds Steam Mill and Manufacturing Company;

Resolve authorizing the sale of certain lots of land in the county of Aroostook;

Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians;

Resolve in relation to trespasses upon the public lands.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and the resolves having had two several readings, and each passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were severally passed to be enacted, the resolves were severally finally passed, and they were each signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of Madawaska, Hancock and Van Buren plantations.

This resolve came from the Senate amended as per sheet A.

The House receded and concurred with the Senate in amending the resolve, and on motion of Mr. PATTEE of Fort Fairfield, it was laid on the table.

Resolve in favor of the Medical School of Maine.

This resolve being under consideration, it was, on motion of Mr. BICKNELL of Augusta, amended as per sheet A, and as amended, having had two readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. GILBERT, from the Judiciary Committee, on petition of David Brown and others, reported a bill, entitled an act in relation to the South Kennebec Agricultural Society.

Also, reported a resolve in favor of Arletta A. Brown.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and resolve read once, and tomorrow assigned for the third reading of the bill and the second reading of the resolve.

Remonstrance of Samuel F. Perley and 69 others, citizens of Naples, against changing law regulating tolls on Cumberland and Oxford Canal, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Referred in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of East Maine Conference Seminary, was read twice, and on motion of Mr. BUXTON of Warren, it was laid on the table.

Bill, an act relating to the laying out of streets and ways in the city of Portland.

On motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, the House reconsidered the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed, and recommitted the bill to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in aid of building mills in Township No. 5, Range 13.

This resolve having had two several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence. Resolve in relation to Township L, Range 2, was read twice, and on motion of Mr. MOOR of Ellsworth, it was laid on the table.

Bill, an act for the suppression of certain common nuisances.

This bill being under consideration, was, on motion of Mr. BOODY of Brunswick, amended as per sheet A, and Mr. PIKE moved to amend as per sheet B, and on motion of Mr. WEEKS of Vassalborough, the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. GILBERT, from the Judiciary Committee, on petition of Samuel Guild and another, reported a bill, entitled an act to authorize the sale of a school house in Augusta.

Report accepted Bill read twice, and to morrow assigned for its third reading.

Resolves relating to Kansas and slavery.

These resolves being under consideration, Mr. MOOR of Ellsworth, withdrew the motion made by him yesterday to lay on the table and print the amendment offered by Mr. BOODY of Brunswick. Mr. BURBANK of Lewiston, moved the previous question, and the House seconded the motion, and the main question was ordered to be put; and the question being on the adoption of the amendment of Mr. BOODY, on motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, the House ordered that when that question is taken it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the House rejected the amendment by yeas 53, nays 66.

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Arnold, Bicknell, Blaisdell, Boody, Brackett, S. J. Chadbourne, Clement, Coffin, E. Davis, J. H. Drummond, R. R. Drummond, Dunn, Field, Fisher, French, Gilbert, Goodale, J. E. Hall, Hale, Johnson, G. A. Kimball, S. Kingsbury, Leighton, Loring, Marcyes, McGlauflin, Merrill, Miller, W. H. Palmer, Parsons, Pattee, F. A. Pike, S. R. Porter, Prentiss, Rackliff. Ranney, Rice, Rogers, Sally, Sanborn, Sargent, Sawyer, Shearman, Skinner, Snow, Stanley, Strickland, Wadlin, Waterhouse, Weeks, Wing, Woodman, York.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Andrews, Bailey, Balch, Batchelder, Bean, Bowen, Buck, Bucknam, Bunker, Burbank, Case, A. H. Clark, E. Clark, Cunningham, Conant, J. Davis, Deane, Estes, Flye, Foss, Fuller, Gilkey, Hanson, Hersey, Hill, Hobbs, Holt, Ingalls, Judkins, C. A. Kimball, T. R. Kingsbury, Knapp, Lane, C. E. Libbey, J. Libbey, Longfellow, Marshall, Maybery, Mayo, Milliken, J. L. Moor, Morrison, Nutting, Oliver, J. Palmer, Parker, T. Parkes, Percy, Pettengill, H. Pike, Plummer, J. Porter, Pratt, Quint, Rowell, A. Shaw, B. Smith, W. C. Smith, Spooner, Stockbridge, M. E. Sweat, W. H. Sweat, Tillson, Walsh, Wasson, Woodbury.

And the question recurred on the passage of the resolves to be engrossed in concurrence, and on this question, on motion of Mr. SKILLIN of North Yarmouth, the House ordered the yeas and nays, and being taken, the House passed the resolves to be engrossed in concurrence, by yeas 90, nays 40, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Arnold, Bailey, Bean, Bicknell, Blaisdell, Bowen, Brackett, Buck, Bucknam, Bunker, Burbank, Case, S. J. Chadbourne, A. H. Clark, Clements, Coffin, Conant, J. Davis, Deane, J. H. Drummond, R. R. Drummond, Dunn, Estes, Field, Fisher, Flye, Foss, French, Fuller, Gilkey, Hagar, J. E. Hall, Hanson, Hale, Hersey, Hill, Hobbs, Holt, Judkins, C. A. Kimball, G. A. Kimball, S. Kingsbury, Knapp, Lane, Leighton, Longfellow, Marcyes, Marshall, Mayo, McGlauffin, Merrill, Milliken, J. L. Moor, Morrison, Oliver, Parker, T. Parkes, Pattee, Percy, Pettengill, F. A. Pike, Plummer, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Prentiss, Quint, Rackliffe, Rowell, Sally, Sanborn, Sargent, Shearman, B. Smith, W. C. Smith, Snow, Stanley, Stockbridge, Strickland, Tillson, Wadlin, Walsh, Wasson, Waterhouse, Weeks, Wheeler, Whitney, Wing, Woodbury, Woodman, York.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Andrews, Balch, Batchelder, Boody, Buxton, E. Clark, Cunningham, Comstock, E. Davis, Gilbert, Goodale, Ingalls, Johnson, Keene, I. C. Kimball, T. R. Kingsbury, C. E. Libbey, J. Libbey, Loring, Mayberry, Mitchell, Nutting, J. Palmer, W. H. Palmer, Pierce, H. Pike, J. B. Pike, J. Porter, Ranney, Rideout, Rogers, Sawyer, A. Shaw, A. B. Shaw, Skillin, Skinner, Spooner, M. E. Sweat, Tibbetts.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

#### THURSDAY, MARCH 11.

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Prayer by the Rev. Mr. SMITH of Litchfield.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of J. L. Rogers and others, reporting leave to withdraw;

Report of the Committee on Public Buildings, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of the Mayor of the city of Bath.

The above reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted.

They were read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of the Mayor of the city of Portland, reporting a bill, entitled an act additional to acts incorporating the city of Portland.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engressed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill, an act to prevent the destruction of trout and pickerel in Sebec pond and its tributaries;

Bill, an act to incorporate the Farmington Falls Debating Club and Library Association;

Having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill, an act to authorize William R. Sawyer to extend a wharf into tide waters in Milbridge harbor;

Bill, an act amending an act for the preservation of fish in the St. Croix river;

Bill, an act to make valid the doings of the town officers of the town of Brownfield;

Bill, an act to authorize the sale of a school house in Augusta.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and 22

reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. BICKNELL, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of James W. North and Joseph H. Williams, reported a bill, entitled an act additional to an act entitled an act to authorize certain cities and towns to grant aid in the construction and completion of the Kennebec and Portland Railroad.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and on motion of Mr. JOHN-SON of Augusta, the bill was laid on the table and 350 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. SMITH, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Caleb Edwards and others, and on petition of Ebenezer Edwards, reported a bill, entitled an act to set off certain lands from Poland and annex the same to Otisfield.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bill.

Remonstrance of Edward Fox and 30 others, against loaning the credit of the State in aid of the Aroostook Railroad, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. PARKER, from the Committee on Division of Towns, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Isaac Lemont and others;

Mr. HOBBS, from the same Committee, reported reference to the next Legislature, on petition of Henry A. Small and 50 others;

Mr. FOSS, from the same Committee, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Jonathan Deveraux.

The above reports were severally read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act in relation to the South Kennebec Agricultural Society;

Resolve in favor of Arletta A. Brown.

The foregoing bill and the resolve were, on motion of Mr. WOOD-MAN of Bucksport, recommitted to the Judiciary Committee with instructions to report an order of notice on the officers of the South Kennebec Agricultural Society, returnable to-morrow afternoon.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. MARSHALL, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on petition of John W. Perry and others, reported a bill, entitled an act to incorporate the Brunswick Savings Institution;

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on petition of the Directors of the City Bank at Bath, reported a bill, entitled an act to reduce the capital stock of the City Bank at Bath.

Reports accepted. Bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for their third reading.

Mr. HAGAR, from the Committee on Division of Counties, on petition of John Bird and others, reported a bill, entitled an act relating to certain courts in the county of Lincoln.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and Tuesday next assigned forits third reading.

Mr. WASSON, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on petition of inhabitants of Brunswick, reported a bill, entitled an act to incorporate the city of Brunswick.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and on motion of Mr. WAS-SON of Brooksville, it was laid on the table and 350 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. GILBERT, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on message of the Governor relating to the subject of capital punishment, reported a bill, entitled an act to abolish punishment by death.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and on motion of Mr. WOOD-MAN of Bucksport, it was laid on the table and 350 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Petition of Henry R. Bradbury and 18 others, inhabitants of the town of Hollis, for abatement of tax, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HOBBS of Waterford,

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee be instructed to inquire,

if any and what amendment is necessary to chapter 67 of the Revised Statutes.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. WEEKS, from the Committee on Manufactures, reported leave to withdraw on petition of D. W. Pillsbury and others;

Mr. JOHNSON, from the Committee on the Library, reported that said Committee had disposed of all matters before them, and asking to be discharged from further service.

These reports were severally read and accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve to economize time and expedite the public business, was read once and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. HAGAR of Richmond,

Ordered, That the delegation from Sagadahoc county, in the House of Representatives, and representing the towns therein, together with such as the Senate may join, be a Joint Select Committee to inquire into the expediency of an increase of the salary of the Register of Probate in said county, and report by bill or otherwise.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to secure the safety and convenience of travelers on railroads.

This bill was taken from the table on motion of Mr. MOOR of Ellsworth, and on motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, the House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering the same, Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, being appointed Chairman of the Committee. On motion of Mr. DRUM-MOND of Waterville, the Committee rose, and through its Chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again. On motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, the bill was laid on the table and to-morrow at ten o'clock assigned for its further consideration.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the destruction of moose and deer.

This bill having had three several readings, and reported by the

Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Mr. BUCK of Oldtown, moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House passed the foregoing bill to be engrossed, and the motion was laid on the table and to-morrow assigned for its consideration.

Order from the Senate, directing the Judiciary Committee to inquire if any legislation in necessary to make sections 37, 43 and 50, of chapter 18, of the Revised Statutes, consistent with each other, was passed in concurrence.

Order from the Senate, referring the communication of the Treasurer, of the 4th inst., in relation to the surplus revenue belonging to Madawaska, was amended as per sheet A on motion of Mr. BOODY of Brunswick, and as amended, was read and passed. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. PIKE of Calais, introduced the following order, which, on motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath, was laid on the table :

Ordered, That on and after Monday next, the House have two sessions a day, commencing in the forenoon at 10 o'clock, and in the afternoon at 2 1-2 o'clock.

Resolve authorizing the sale of certain lots of lands in the county of Aroostook.

On motion of Mr. SPOONER of New Portland, the House reconsidered the vote whereby it yesterday passed this resolve finally, and on motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, it was laid on the table.

Bill, an act to provide for enforcing liens on vessels;

Bill, an act to incorporate the Eastport Mutual Fire Insurance Company;

Resolve in favor of Parker P. Burleigh;

Resolve in favor of Masters, Smith & Co.

The above bills having each had three several readings, and the resolves having each had two readings, and all having been passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were passed to be enacted, the resolves finally passed, and they were signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in relation to trespassers upon the public lands.

This resolve came from the Senate, that branch having amended the resolve as per sheet A.

The House refused to recede and concur with the Senate in the amendment, and voted to insist on the vote whereby it finally passed the resolve. The resolve was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. CHADBOURNE of Dixmont, the House reconsidered the vote whereby it yesterday passed to be engressed the resolves relating to Kansas and slavery.

Mr. FLYE of Newcastle, moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby it yesterday rejected the amendment offered by Mr. BOODY to the resolves relating to Kansas and slavery, and to lay the motion on the table and assign to-morrow for its consideration.

Mr. WOODBURY of Houlton, moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House passed to be engrossed bill, an act additional to chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the destruction of moose and deer. The motion was laid on the table, and to-morrow at 10 o'clock assigned for its consideration.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

## GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

# FRIDAY, MARCH 12, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. SMITH of Litchfield.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of Ephraim Alley, 2d, and others, reporting a bill, entitled an act to make valid the proceedings of School Districts Nos. 3 and 6, in Dresden;

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on petition of Edmund Smith and others, for further time to put in operation the Lowell Bank, reporting a bill, entitled an act additional to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Lowell Bank;

Report of the same Committee, on petition of the Stockholders of the Mariners' Bank for surrender of charter, reporting a bill, entitled an act accepting the surrender of the charter of the Mariners' Bank.

Report of the Committee on Education, on petition of Trustees of Westbrook Seminary, reporting a resolve in favor of Westbrook Seminary.

The above reports came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the bills and resolve passed to be engrossed.

Reports accepted in concurrence. Bills read twice and resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills and the second reading of the resolve.

Mr. SPOONER, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported reference to the next Legislature on petition of Rufus Dwinel for the State to refund money paid for stumpage by mistake.

Mr. WOODBURY, from the same Committee, reported leave to withdraw on petition of C. F. A. Johnson and 34 others, for a road;

Mr. DAVIS, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Anthony Brackett to be set off from Gorham, reported leave to withdraw;

Mr. PRATT, from the Committee on Accounts, reported reference to the Governor and Council, on account of the city of Portland against the State; Mr. ANDREWS, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, reported reference to the next Legislature on petition of Joel Bean, and on petition of inhabitants of Letter G;

Mr. ARNOLD, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reported leave to withdraw on petition of the Portland and Oxford Central Railroad Company for a charter for a branch line of road;

Mr. HALL, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported reference to the next Legislature on petition of Jonathan Hall and others, relating to law concerning the inspection of hops;

Mr. HALL, from the Committee consisting of the delegation from Cumberland county, on petition of the County Commissioners of said county for certain tracts of unincorporated lands to be annexed to adjoining towns, reported an order of notice by publication in the Portland Advertiser and Eastern Argus, three weeks successively before the first Wednesday of February, A. D. 1859;

Mr. MERRILL, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Charles A. Everett and others, and on sundry other petitions praying for an appropriation for an exploration and survey of a railroad route from Belfast or Frankfort through the mineral regions of Piscataquis to Aroostook, reported reference to the next Legislature.

The foregoing reports were severally read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Resolve to economize time and expedite the public business, was read twice, and on motion of Mr. DAVIS of Fairfield, the resolve was referred to the gentleman from Rumford as a Special Committee.

The House took up the special assignment, and the question being upon the reconsideration of the vote whereby the House rejected the amendment to the resolves relating to Kansas and slavery, as proposed by Mr. BOODY of Brunswick, the House voted not to reconsider its vote.

Mr. WOODBURY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Asa Smith for the repair of bridge at Mattawamkeag, reported a resolve for the repair of the bridge over the Mattawamkeag in the county of Penobscot; Mr. LORING, from the Committee on Claims, on resolve in favor of John A. Cleaveland, reported the resolve and that it ought to pass;

Mr. PATTEE, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on petition of Henry Dionne and 537 others, reported a bill, entitled an act to amend the 3d chapter of the Revised Statutes;

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill, an act to authorize Eustis plantation to raise money to repair roads and bridges in said plantation, reported the bill and that it ought to pass;

Mr. MERRILL, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Charles A. Everett and others, for an appropriation for a geological examination of the mineral resources of Piscataquis, reported a resolve authorizing an examination of the mineral resources of the county of Piscataquis.

The foregoing reports were severally read and accepted. The bills were read twice and the resolves were read once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills and the second reading of the resolves.

Resolve authorizing the sale of certain lots of land in the county of Aroostook, was taken from the table on motion of Mr. SPOONER of New Portland, and was finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill, an act additional to acts incorporating the city of Portland. This bill having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Brunswick Savings Institution;

Bill, an act to set off certain lands from Poland and annex the same to Otisfield;

Bill, an act to reduce the capital stock of the City Bank at Bath.

These bills having each had three readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta,

Ordered, That the use of the Hall of the House, on the evening

of March 18th, be granted to Elihu Burritt for the purpose of lecturing on the subject of compensated emancipation.

Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. PRENTISS of Bangor,

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee be instructed to inquire if section 24, of chapter 3, of Revised Statutes, needs amendment as to the time of electing assessors and other subordinate officers of cities.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of William Evans, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Certificate of J. C. Fletcher, for bounty on one bear killed in June, 1855, and claim of the Treasurer of the town of Stoneham for bounty on wild animals, and claim of the Treasurer of the town of Bethel for same, were severally referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Albert P. Gou'd and others, to make Rockland a half shire town of Lincoln county, was referred to the Committee on Division of Counties.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of inhabitants of Searsport, for power to make by-laws and police regulations, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of S. K. Patridge and others, for alteration of law in relation to mill dams, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. BANKS, from the Committee on Manufactures, on petition of J. G. Blaine and others, for right to construct a line of telegraph between Augusta and Skowhegan, reported reference to the next Legislature.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves relating to Kansas and slavery.

These resolves were taken up, and the question being on their passage to be engrossed, the House ordered that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the resolves were passed to be engrossed in concurrence, by yeas 94, nays 33, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Arnold, Bailey, Banks, Bean, Bicknell, Blaisdell, Bowen, Brackett, Buck, Bucknam, Bunker, Burbank, S. J. Chadbourne, Chick, A. H. Clark, Cowell, Clements, Coffin, Conant, J. Davis, Deane, J. H. Drummond, R. R. Drummond, Dunn, Estes, Field, Fisher, Foss, French, Fuller, Gilkey, Hagar, J. Hall, Jr., J. E. Hall, Hale, Hersey, Hill, Hobbs, Holt, Jones, Judkins, C. A. Kimball, G. A. Kimball, H. Kingsbury, S. Kingsbury, Knapp, Leighton, Longfellow, Maddox, Marcyes, Marshall, Mayo, McGlauflin, Merrithew, Merrill, Miller, J. L. Moor, Morrison, Oliver, Parker, T. Parkes, Parsons, Pattee, Pettengill, F. A. Pike, Plummer, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Prentiss, Quint, Rice, Rowell, Roak, Sally, Sanborn, Shearman, Skinner, B. Smith, W. C. Smith, Stanley, Stockbridge, Strickland, Tapley, Tillson, Wadlin, Walsh, Wasson, Waterhouse, Weeks, Wheeler, Whitney, Woodbury, Woodman, York.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Andrews, Balch, Batchelder, Boody, E. Clark, Cunningham, Gilbert, Goodale, Ingalls, Johnson, Keene, T. R. Kingsbury, C. E. Libbey, J. Libbey, Loring, Mayberry, L. S. Moore, J. Palmer, W. H. Palmer, B. F. Parkes, Pierce, H. Pike, J. B. Pike, J. Porter, Ranney, Rideout, Rogers, Sawyer, A. B. Shaw, Skillin, Spooner, M. E. Sweat, W. H. Swett, Tibbetts, Trussell.

Resolves relating to Kansas affairs. Laid on the table by Mr. BOODY of Brunswick.

Rules suspended and read twice, and being on its passage to be engrossed, on motion of Mr. BOODY of Brunswick, the House ordered the question to be taken by yeas and nays, and on motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, the House ordered the question to be divided and the vote first to be taken on the preamble of the resolves, and being so taken it was passed to be engrossed by yeas 104, nays 23—as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Arnold, Bailey, Banks, Bean, Bicknell, Blaisdell, Boody, Bowen, Brackett, Buck, Bucknam, Bunker, Burbank, Case, S. J. Chadbourne, Chick, A. H. Clark, Cowell, Clements, Coffin, Conant, J. Davis, Deane, J. H. Drummond, R. R. Drummond, Dunn, Estes, Field, Fisher, Foss, French, Fuller, Gilbert, Gilkey, Goodale, Hagar, J. Hall, Jr., J. E. Hall, Hanson, Hale, Hersey, Hill, Hobbs, Holt, Johnson, Jones, Judkins, C. A. Kimball, G. A. Kimball, I C. Kimball, S. Kingsbury, Knapp, Leighton, Longfellow, Loring, Maddox, Marcyes, Marshall, Mayo, McGlauffin, Merrithew, Merrill, Miller, Milliken, J. L. Moor, Oliver, Parker, T. Parkes, Parsons, Pattee, Pettengill, F. A. Pike, Plummer, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Prentiss, Quint, Ranney, Rice, Roak, Rogers, Rowell, Sally, Sanborn, Shearman, Skinner, B. Smith, W. C. Smith, Stanley, Stockbridge, Strickland, Tapley, Tillson, Wadlin, Walsh, Wasson, Waterhouse, Weeks, Wheeler, Whitney, Wing, Woodbury, Woodman, York.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Andrews, Balch, Batchelder, E. Clark, Cunningham, Ingalls, Keene, T. R. Kingsbury, C. E. Libbey, J. Libbey, Mayberry, L. S. Moor, J. Palmer, W. H. Palmer, B. F. Parkes, Pierce, H. Pike, J. Porter, Rideout, A. Shaw, Skillin, M. E. Sweat, W. H. Swett, Tibbetts, Trussell.

The question being upon the passage of the resolve to be engrossed, it was so passed by yeas 105, nays 26—as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Arnold, Bailey, Banks, Bean, Bicknell, Blaisdell, Boody, Bowen, Brackett, Buck. Bucknam, Bunker, Burbank, Case, S. J. Chadbourne, Chick, A. H. Clark, Cowell, Clement, Coffin, Conant, E. Davis, J. Davis, Deane, J. H. Drummond, R. R. Drummond, Dunn, Estes, Field, Fisher, Foss, French, Fuller, Gilbert, Gilkey, Goodale, Hagar, J. Hall, Jr., J. E. Hall, Hanson, Hale, Hersey, Hill, Hobbs, Holt, Johnson, Jones, Judkins, C. A. Kimball, G. A. Kimball, I. C. Kimball, S. Kingsbury, Knapp, Leighton, Longfellow, Loring, Maddox, Marcyes, Marshall, Mayo, McGlauffin, Merrithew, Merrill, Miller, Milliken, J. L. Moor, Oliver, Parker, T. Parkes, Parsons, Pattee, Pettengill, F. A. Pike, Plummer, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Prentiss, Quint, Ranney, Rice, Roak, Rogers, Rowell, Sally, Sanborn, Shearman, Skinner, B. Smith, H. C. Smith, Snow, Stanley, Stockbridge, Strickland, Tapley, Tillson, Wadlin, Walsh, Waterhouse, Wasson, Weeks, Wheeler, Whitney, Woodbury, Woodman, York.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Andrews, Balch, Batchelder, E. Clark, Cunningham, Ingalls, Keene, T. R. Kingsbury, C. E. Libbey, J. Libbey, Maybery, L. S. Moore, J. Palmer, W. H. Palmer, B. F. Parkes, Pierce, H. Pike, J. Porter, Rideout, A. Shaw, Skillin, M. E. Sweat, W. H. Swett, Tibbetts, Trussell.

The second resolve was also passed to be engrossed, and the reselves were sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. ROWELL of Hallowell, moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House passed the foregoing resolves to be engrossed. The House refused to reconsider.

On motion of Mr. WALSH of Thomaston, the House reconsidered the vote whereby it referred the petition of Albert Gould and others, to the Committee on Division of Counties, and ordered the same to be filed with the papers in relation to a change in the shire town of Lincoln County.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta.

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor requesting him to return to this House, if not signed by him, the bill respecting the discipline of the State Prison.

The Clerk was charged with and conveyed the message.

A message was received from the Governor through the Secretary of State, transmitting the bill requested in the order of Mr. Johnson.

On motion of Mr. TILLSON of Rockland, the House reconsidered the vote whereby it passed bill, an act relating to the discipline of the State Prison to be enacted, and also on his motion reconsidered the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed. Mr. TILL-SON then moved to amend the bill as per sheet C, and the bill and proposed amendment were laid on the table.

Mr. SWEAT, from the Committee on Insane Hospital, on report

of the Trustees and Superintendent of the Insane Hospital, reported a resolve in favor of the Insane Hospital;

Mr. KINGSBURY, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs, and Insurance, on bill, an act to incorporate the Bangor Mutual Fire Insurance Company, reported the bill in a new draft, and that it ought to pass;

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, made the following reports:

On order relating to amending the 33d section, of the 49th chapter, of the Revised Statutes, bill, an act to amend chapter 49 of the Revised Statutes;

On petition of Epraim Maxham and others, to be incorporated by the name of the Waterville Mutual Fire Insurance Company, a bill, entitled an act to incorporate the Waterville Mutual Fire Insurance Company;

On petition of Levi Lord and others, for Gas Company, bill, an act to incorporate the St. Croix Gas Light Company;

Mr. BOODY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Francis Thibideaux and others, reported a resolve to transfer the location of Calais Academy Grant;

Mr. KIMBALL, from the Committee on Change of Names, on sundry petitions, reported a bill, entitled an act to change the names of certain persons;

Mr. SPOONER, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of William Butler and others, reported a resolve in aid of building a bridge over the Flag Staff stream, in the county of Somerset.

The foregoing reports were severally read and accepted. The bills were each read twice, and the resolves read once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills and the second reading of the resolves.

Bill, an act to set off the town of Greenfield and Township Nos. 1 and 2 in the county of Hancock, and annex the same to the county of Penobscot;

Bill, an act to enable the inhabitants of Orland to pay Willard . P. White an additional sum for building a bridge; Bill, an act to incorporate the Farmington Falls Debating Club and Library Association.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, were severally passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill, an act to set off certain territory from Mount Vernon and annex it to Readfield.

This bill was amended in concurrence, and as amended, being reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in relation to township L, range two.

This resclve having had two readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The order introduced yesterday by Mr. PIKE of Calais, relating to holding two sessions a day, was taken from the table and considered, and Mr. GILBERT of Bath, moved to lay it on the table. On this question, on motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais, the House ordered the yeas and nays, and being taken the House refused to lay the order on the table by 91 nays, 24 yeas—as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Balch, Blaisdell, Boody, Case, Cowell, E. Davis, R. R. Drummond, Gilbert, Hobbs, Marcyes, Mayberry, Pattee, Pierce, H. Pike, J. B. Pike, Rideout, Rogers, Sawyer, A. B. Shaw, Skillin, B. Smith, Snow, Tibbetts, Trussell.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Arnold, Bailey, Banks, Bean, Bicknell, Bowen, Buck, Buchnam, S. J. Chadbourne, Chick, A. H. Clark, E. Clark, Clement, Conant, J. Davis, Deane, J. A. Drummond, Dunn, Estes, Field, Foss, Fuller, Goodale, J. Hall, Jr., J. E. Hall, Hanson, Hersey, Hill, Holt, Johnson, Jones, Judkins, Keene, C. A. Kimball, I. C. Kimball, H. Kingsbury, S. Kingsbury, T. R. Kingsbury, Leighton, J. Libbey, Longfellow, Loring, Maddox, Marshall, Mayo, McGlauffin, Merrithew, Merrill, Miller, Milliken, J. L. Moor, L. S. Moore, Oliver, Parker, T. Parkes, Parsons, Pettingill, F. A. Pike, Plummer, J. Porter, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Prentiss, Quint, Ranney, Rice, Roak, Rowell, Sanborn, A. Shaw, Shearman, Skinner, W. C. Smith, Spooner, Stanley, Stockbridge, Strickland, M. E. Sweat, W. H. Swett, Tapley, Tillson, Wadlin, Walsh, Wasson, Waterhouse, Weeks, Wheeler, Whitney, Wing, Woodbury, Woodman.

And the order was passed.

Mr. WHITNEY, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on remonstrance of John W. Caldwell and others, reported reference to the next Legislature;

Mr. KINGSBURY, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to foreign insurance companies;

Mr. STRICKLAND, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to the propriety of selling stumpage on public lands;

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, reported leave to withdraw on petition of D. F. Adams, for a survey of a road from letter H to the Fish river road;

Mr. DUNN, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported leave to withdraw on petition of A. B. Robinson and others, for an agricultural school;

Mr. KINGSBURY, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill, entitled an act in addition to an act to establish the Cumberland and Oxford Canal Corporation, reported the bill and that it ought not to pass;

Mr. GILBERT, from the Judiciary Committee, on order relating to an amendment of the 48th section of the 113th chapter of the Revised Statutes, concerning evidence on the trial of poor debtors bonds, reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. PRENTISS, from the same Committee, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to the expediency of permitting libelants to testify in cases of divorce.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. KIMBALL, from the Committee on Change of Names, made a final report of said Committee, and asking to be discharged.

Report accepted.

Order from the Senate in relation to books, pamphlets, &c., allowed by law to be printed by the Board of Agriculture and the Maine State Agricultural Society;

Order from the Senate to Judiciary Committee relating to amending section 25, chapter 46, Revised Statutes;

Order to same Committee in relation to amending chapter 61 of the Revised Statutes concerning contracts of married women.

The foregoing orders were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

# GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

#### SATURDAY, MARCH 13, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. COLBY of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of the Gardiner Bank for reduction of captal;

Report of the Committee on Claims, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Daniel Merritt;

Report of the Committee on Division of Counties, reporting that they had performed all the duties required of them, and asking to be discharged;

Reports of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of J. L. Rogers and others;

Report of the Committee on Treasurer's Accounts, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Selectmen of Eastbrook, for an abatement of State tax;

Reports of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of S. E. Griffith and others;

Report of same Committee, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of the inhabitants of the town of Falmouth;

Report of same Committee, reporting legislation inexpedient on order in relation to legislation on sections 37, 43 and 50, of chapter 18 of Revised Statutes;

Report of the Committee on the Militia, reporting that they have acted upon all matters before them, and asking to be discharged;

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting legislation inexpedient on order in relation to repeal of sections 35, 36 and 37, of chapter 38, of Revised Statutes;

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on petition of J. B. Hall and others, reporting a bill, entitled an act to incorporate the town of Presque Isle;

Report of same Committee, on petition of W. Crowell and others, reporting a bill, entitled an act to incorporate the town of Somerville; The foregoing reports came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the bills passed to be engrossed.

Reports accepted in concurrence. Bills read twice, and Monday next assigned for their third reading.

Petition of Nathaniel Blake, in relation to land in No. 13, Range 6, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, and it was referred in concurrence.

Mr. HERSEY, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, on petition of L. Bewwit, reported a resolve in favor of Passamaquoddy Indians;

Mr. SMITH, from the same Committee, on petition of Penobscot Indians, reported a resolve in favor of Penobscot Indians;

Mr. MOOR, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of C. C. Proctor, reported a resolve in aid of building a bridge across the north branch of Dead river, in the county of Franklin;

Mr. CLARK, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of John Jewett and others, reported a bill, entitled an act additional to incorporate the proprietors of the Gardiner and Pittston Bridge;

Mr. PIKE, from the Judiciary Committee, on order relating to challenge of jurors, reported a bill, entitled an act allowing challenges of jurors in civil cases;

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on petition of Henry K. Bradbury and others, reported a resolve relating to taxes of the towns of Hollis and Dayton;

Mr. WOODMAN, from the same Committee, on bill, an act in relation to the South Kennebec Agricultural Society, and on resolve in favor of Arletta A. Brown, recommitted to said Committee, reported the bill and the resolve without amendment;

Mr. WOODBURY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of John Pomroy, reported a resolve for the repair of the bridge over the Mattawamkeag river, in Township No. 1, Range 2, in the county of Aroostook;

The foregoing reports were severally read and accepted. The bills read twice and the resolves read once, and Monday next assigned for the third reading of the bills and the second reading of the resolves.

Mr. HALL, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Samuel Libbey and others, reported leave to withdraw;

Mr. KINGSBURY, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, made a final report, and asked to be discharged from further service;

Mr. STRICKLAND, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported legislation inexpedient on order of inquiry into the expediency of further legislation relating to trespassers;

Mr. WOODBURY, from the same Committee, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Edward Stevens;

Mr. PARSONS, from the same Committee, reported reference to the next Legislature on petition of John F. Pike and others, for a road;

Mr. PARSONS, from the same Committe, reported reference to the next Legislature on petition of Charles A. Everett and others, for aid to build a road from Katahdin Iron Works to Chesuncook lake;

Mr. PIKE, from the Judiciary Committee, on bill, entitled an act to authorize the formation of corporations for manufacturing, mining and mechanical purposes, reported the bill, and that it ought not to pass;

The same gentleman, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Asa Hamilton and others, for an act of incorporation for a bridge;

Mr. KIMBALL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting reference to the next Legislature on petition of William Sargent and others, for a boom at Brown's Island;

Mr. BUXTON, from the Judiciary Committee, reported leave to withdraw on petition of William Singer and others;

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on bill, an act relating to witnesses on trials of indictments, reported the bill and that it ought not to pass :

Mr. SPOONER, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported reference to the next Legislature on petition of Joel Knights.

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The foregoing reports were severally read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in aid of building a bridge over Flag Staff stream, in the county of Somerset.

This resolve was read twice, and on motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, it was laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on petition of Directors of Gardiner Bank.

On motion of Mr. HAGAR of Richmond, the House reconsidered the vote whereby it accepted this report in concurrence, and recommitted it.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Westbrook Seminary, was read twice, and on motion of Mr. MOORE of Limerick, it was laid on the table.

Mr. PRENTISS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to amending the law concerning the election of assessors and other subordinate officers of cities, reported a bill, entitled an act to amend section 24 of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the election of assessors and subcrdinate officers of cities.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and 10 o'clock to-day assigned for its third reading. Reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and having had three several readings, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 49 of the Revised Statutes, respecting Directors of Mutual Insurance Companies, was read three times, and on motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais, it was laid on the table.

Petition of the Robbinston Farmers' Club, praying for an act of Incorporation, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve for the repair of Mattawamkeag bridge, in the county of Penobscot, was read twice, and on motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, it was laid on the table.

Mr. MAYO, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of John A. Pettingill and others, reported a bill, entitled an act to amend chapter 123 of the special laws of 1857, relating to the Augusta Free Bridge Company.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and Monday assigned for its third reading.

Mr. BUCK, from the Committee on order relating to Commissioner at Washington, made a special report, accompanied with a resolve relating to compensation of the Commissioner at Washington, which, on motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, was laid on the table and the usual number of copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature, together with the resolve and accompanying papers.

Bill, an act accepting the surrender of the charter of the Mariners Bank;

Bill, an act additional to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Lowell Bank.

These bills having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. SAWYER of Baldwin,

Ordered, That on and after Monday next, the Speaker shall adjourn the House at 1 o'clock, without a vote, if then in session.

Read and passed.

Bill, an act to amend the 39th section of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes, relating to towns;

Resolve in favor of John A. Cleaveland;

Resolve in favor of the Insane Hospital;

Bill, an act to authorize Eustis plantation to raise money for the repair of roads and bridges in said plantation, amended as per sheet A, on motion of Mr. PARSONS of Eustis plantation;

Bill, an act to incorporate the Waterville Mutual Fire Insurance Company;

Bill, an act to change the names of certain persons;

Bill, an act to incorporate the St. Croix Gas Light Company;

Bill, an act to incorporate the Bangor Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

The foregoing bills, having each had three readings, and the re-

solves having had two readings each, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Madawaska, Hancock and Van Buren plantations, amended in concurrence, read twice, and as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. PIKE, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of the Selectmen of Millbridge and others, for authority to purchase a bridge, reported a bill, entitled an act to authorize the town of Millbridge to purchase or hire a bridge;

Mr. WOODBURY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of H. Chadbourne and others, reported a resolve for the repair of the Military road;

Resolve authorizing the examination of the mineral resources of Piscataquis County, was read twice, and on motion of Mr. WOOD-MAN of Bucksport, it was laid on the table.

The foregoing reports, were severally read and accepted. Bill read twice, resolve read once, and Monday next assigned for the third reading of the bill and the second reading of the resolve.

Report of the Committee on Division of Counties, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Isaac Reed and others, came from the Senate having been read and accepted. On motion of Mr. BALCH of Waldoborough, it was laid on the table.

Bill, an act to make valid the proceedings of school districts number 3 and 6, in Dresden, was read three times, and on motion of Mr. FRENCH of Damariscotta, it was laid on the table;

Bill, an act to reduce the capital stock of the Union Bank;

Bill, an act to reduce the capital stock of the Maine Bank;

Bill, an act to reduce the capital stock of the Pejepscot Bank.

The above bills, being before the House and on their passage to be enacted, they were severally laid on the table on motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport.

Mr. PRENTISS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to codifying and publishing the Special Laws, reported a resolve relating to the publication of the Private and Special Laws of Maine. Report accepted. Resolve read once, and Monday next assigned for its second reading.

Mr. GILKEY, from the Committee on Fisheries, on petition of Isaac P. Tibbetts and others, reported leave to withdraw.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act additional to an act incorporating to Waldo Mills Company;

Bill, an act additional to an act incorporating the city of Portland;

Bill, an act to incorporate the Farmington Falls Debating Club and Library Association;

Bill, an act to authorize a reduction in the capital stock of the Richmond Bank;

Resolve for the conveyance of land to John Crosby and Alfred W. Johnson;

Resolve in favor of the Committee on the State Prison;

Resolves relating to Kansas and slavery;

Resolve in relation to township L, range two;

Resolve in favor of Wingate Bradbury;

Resolve in favor of Nathaniel Hanscom;

Resolve in aid of building mills in township number 5, range 13.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and the resolves having each had two several readings, and each passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were severally passed to be enacted, the resolves were severally finally passed, and they were each signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill, an act relating to the discipline of the State Prison.

This bill was amended as per sheet C, on motion of Mr. TILL-SON of Rockland, and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve to transfer the location of Calais Academy Grant, was read twice, and on motion of Mr. PATTEE of Fort Fairfield, it was laid on the table.

Order relating to specie in banks, introduced by Mr. PIKE of

Calais, was taken from the table and considered, amendment A offered by Mr. PRENTISS was rejected, and the order was refused a passage.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Reform School;

Resolve in favor of the Reform School.

The foregoing bill and resolve were taken up, and on motion of Mr. FRENCH of Damariscotta, Tuesday next was assigned for their consideration.

Order from the Senate to the Judiciary Committee, relating to investigating the system of discipline of the State Prison, was read and passed in concurrence.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

## MONDAY, MARCH 15, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. DEXTER of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate.

Order to Committee on Accounts, in relation to auditing accounts for printing done under the direction of the Maine State Agricultural Society, came from the Senate amended as per sheet A, and as amended read and passed.

Amended in concurrence, and as amended passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on order directing said Committee to enquire what documents, pamphlets and reports are allowed by law to said Board to have printed at the public expense, came from the Senate having been read and accepted.

Read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, on order for inquiring into the expediency of establishing a local auditor to audit the accounts of Indian Agents, reporting legislation inexpedient;

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Godfrey Lydick, reporting leave to withdraw;

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, reporting finally, and asking to be discharged;

Report of the Committee on Public Buildings, reporting finally, and asking to be discharged;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of S. A. Morse and others, for amendment of charter to Machias Log Driving Company;

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, reporting finally, and asking to be discharged;

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting reference to the next Legislature on order relating to surplus revenue of Madawaska;

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, reporting reference to the next Legislature on petition of S. L. Boulter and others, to incorporate Jackson Brook plantation into a town; Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reporting reference to the next Legislature on bill, an act relating to laying out of streets and ways in the city of Portland.

These reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted. Severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims, upon claim of J. B. Hall and William W. Bolster, reported a resolve in favor of Joseph B. Hall and others.

This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Resolve read once, and on motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais, it was laid on the table.

Bill, an act to set off certain territory from Mount Vernon and annex it to Readfield.

This bill came from the Senate that branch adhering to the vote whereby it amended and indefinitely postponed the bill. The House voted to adhere to the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed. The bill was returned to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill, an act in relation to Trustees of Railroads, reporting the bill came from the Senate, the bill amended as per sheet A;

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on petition of Alexander Johnson and 36 others, for a bank at Wiscasset, reporting a bill, entitled an act to incorporate the Wawenock Bank;

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Benaiah Dow, reporting a bill, entitled an act to set off certain tertitory from Paris to Woodstock.

These reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the bills passed to be engrossed.

Reports accepted in concurrence. Bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for their third reading.

Bill, an act regulating the taxing of costs, additional to chapter 116 of the Revised Statutes. Laid on the table by Mr. DEANE of Portland, and under the rule lies over until to-morrow;

Mr. STRICKLAND, from the Committee on State Lands and

State Roads, reported legislation inexpedient on order for a survey of the line between Maine and New Hampshire;

Mr. MORRISON, from the Committee on State Printing, made a final report, and asked to be discharged from further service.

The above reports were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. HALL, from the Committee on Agriculture, on petition of T. L. Reynolds and others, reported a bill, entitled an act to incorporate the Robbinston Farmers' Club;

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Judiciary Committee, on bill, an act relating to the depositions of parties, reported the bill in a new draft and that it ought to pass;

Mr. PIKE, from the same Committee, on order in relation to amending section 25 of chapter 46 of the Revised Statutes, reported a bill, entitled an act to amend chapter 46 of the Revised Statutes relative to demand on stockholders of corporations;

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on order relating to actions of review, reported a bill, entitled an act relating to reviews;

Mr. WOODMAN, from the same Committee, on bill, an act to amend chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes relating to the proceedings in court, reported the bill in a new draft and that it ought to pass;

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on bill, an act to amend section 11 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes relating to taxes, reported the bill in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

Mr. FRENCH, from the same Committee, on order relating to the rights of divorced parties, reported a bill, entitled an act additional to chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes;

Mr. MARSHALL, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on order of inquiry in relation to defining more distinctly the duties of Receivers of Banks, reported a bill, entitled an act additional to chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes, relating to banks and banking;

Mr. HAGAR, from the Committee consisting of the delegation from Sagadahoc county, on order of inquiry into the expediency of increasing the salary of the Judge of Probate and the Register of Probate for the county of Sagadahoc, reported a bill, entitled an act to increase the salaries of the Judge of Probate and the Register of Probate for the county of Sagadahoc.

The foregoing reports were severally read and accepted. The Bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of each.

Mr. PORTER, from the Committee which was directed to ascertain and report when the Legislature may adjourn, reported that the Legislature may finally adjourn on Tuesday, the 23d instant.

The report was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. FRENCH of Damariscotta,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire what amendment, if any, of section 20, chapter 80, of the Revised Statutes, is necessary, and report by bill or otherwise.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HOBBS of Waterford,

Ordered, That after to-day, the morning session of this House shall commence at 9 1-2 o'clock and the afternoon session at 2 1-2, and the Speaker shall adjourn the House in the morning session at 12 1-2 o'clock.

Read and passed.

Bill, an act to authorize the sale of a school house in Augusta;

Bill, an act to authorize William R. Sawyer to extend a wharf into tide waters in Milbridge harbor;

Bill, an act additional to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Lowell Bank;

Bill, an act to make valid the doings of the town officers of the town of Brownfield.

The above bills having each had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, were severally passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Petition of Timothy Gibson and others, in relation to pension granted to William Poor, Jr., was referred to a Special Committee, to consist of former Committee on Military Pensions, who have been excused from further service.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in aid of building a bridge across the north branch of Dead river, in the county of Franklin;

Resolve in favor of Passamaquoddy Indians;

Resolve relating to taxes of the towns of Hollis and Dayton;

Bill, an act additional to act incorporating the Proprietors of the Gardiner and Pittston bridge;

Bill, an act to amend chapter 123 of the Special Laws of 1857, relating to the Augusta Free Bridge Company;

Bill, an act to amend chapter 105 of the Revised Statutes, respecting the limitation of real actions;

Bill, an act to authorize the town of Milbridge to purchase or hire a bridge.

The foregoing resolves having each had two several readings, and the bills having each had three readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the town of Presque Isle.

Read twice; amendment proposed as per sheet A; bill and amendment laid on the table and to-morrow assigned for their consideration.

Resolve for the repair of the Military road, was read twice, and on motion of Mr. BURBANK of Lewiston, laid on the table and this afternoon, at 2 1-2, assigned for its consideration.

Resolve for the repair of the bridge over the Mattawamkeag river, in Township No. 1, Range 2, in the county of Aroostook, was read twice, and Thursday next, at 9 1-2 o'clock, assigned for its consideration.

Resolve in favor of Westbrook Seminary, was taken up and considered, and on motion of Mr. MOORE of Limerick, it was laid on the table and to-morrow assigned for its consideration.

Resolve in favor of the Penobscot Indians, was read twice, and on motion of Mr. PORTER of Lowell, it was laid on the table.

Resolve in relation to trespassers upon the public lands, came from the Senate, that branch having adhered to the vote whereby it passed the resolve to be engrossed as amended. On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, the House receded, and concurred with the Senate in adopting amendment A, and then passed the resolve, as amended, to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill, an act to abolish punishment by death, was taken up, considered, and on motion of Mr. HANSON of Gardiner, it was laid on the table and Wednesday next assigned for its further consideration.

Mr. WOODBURY of Houlton, moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House on Saturday passed to be engrossed bill, an act to amend the 39th section, of chapter 3, of Revised Statutes, relating to towns, and the motion was laid on the table and this afternoon assigned for its consideration.

Resolve in favor of Madawaska, Hancock and Van Buren plantations, being on its final passage, was, on motion of Mr. MER-RILL of Williamsburg, laid on the table.

Adjourned until 2 1-2 o'clock, P. M.

Half-past two o'clock P. M., met according to adjournment.

Mr. SPOONER, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of William H. Stevens, for a road from Lexington to Dead river, reported a resolve in aid of building road and bridge in township No. 2, in the second range, west of Kennebec river, in the county of Somerset.

Report accepted. Resolve read once, and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

Resolve in relation to township L, range two.

This resolve came from the Senate having been amended by striking out the words "six thousand five hundred," and inserting instead the words "five thousand." The House voted to insist on its former vote by which it passed the resolve to be engrossed and proposed a conference of the two Houses of the Legislature, and Messrs. Pike of Calais, Spooner of New Portland, and Miller of Portland, were appointed conferees on the part of the House.

Bill, an act allowing challenges of jurors in civil cases. This bill being under consideration and on its passage to be engrossed, it was, on motion of Mr. PORTER of Lowell, indefinitely postponed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the destruction of moose and deer, was taken up and having had three several readings was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act in relation to the South Kennebec Agricultural Society.

This bill having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, announced the presence of Mr. Barton, member elect from Windsor, and moved that he be accompanied to the Governor and Council Chamber to take and subscribe the oaths of office necessary to qualify him to enter upon his official duties. Mr. Johnson was appointed by the Speaker to accompany Mr. Barton to the Council Chamber.

Resolve in favor of Arletta A. Brown.

This resolve was read twice, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. TAPLEY, from the Judiciary Committee, on bill, an act concerning the liabilities of owners of buildings used for public assemblies, reported the bill and that it ought not to pass.

Resolve authorizing an examination of the mineral resources of the County of Piscataquis, was taken from the table and considered, and on motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais, the resolve was recommitted to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, with instructions as per sheet A, annexed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve for the repair of the Military road.

This resolve having had two readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

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Resolve in favor of East Maine Conference Seminary, was taken from the table, and on motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, to-morrow at 10 1-2 o'clock assigned for its consideration.

Bill, an act amending an act for the preservation of fish in the St. Croix river;

Bill, an act accepting the surrender of the charter of the Mariners' Bank.

The above bills having each had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, were severally passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 136 of the Revised Statutes, for the collection and disposal of fines and costs in criminal cases, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. TAPLEY of Saco, was amended as per sheet A annexed, and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

ATTEST :

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

## TUESDAY, MARCH 16, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. ARMITAGE of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of E. D. Prescott and others, reporting a bill, entitled an act to incorporate the Sandy River Boom and Log Driving Company;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order in relation to requiring inn keepers to keep suitable ladders and fire escapes, reporting a bill, entitled an act to provide for the greater security of travellers and lodgers at inns during fires;

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on petition of Joseph Meservey and others, reporting a bill, entitled an act to amend chapter 40 section 53 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taking of fish from Moosehead lake;

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on petition of T. H. Marshall and others, reporting a bill, entitled an act to incorporate the Belfast Gas Light Company;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of Mark Trafton, Jr., reporting a bill, entitled an act to authorize Limestone plantation to raise money to repair roads in said plantation;

Report of same Committee, on petition of John Gardner and others, reporting a bill, entitled an act to incorporate the Maine Granite Company;

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of William Jameson and Samuel A. Gilman, reporting a resolve in favor of William Jameson and others, and of Samuel A. Gilman and others.

The foregoing reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the bills and resolves passed to be engrossed.

Reports accepted in concurrence. Bills read twice, resolves read once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills and the second reading of the resolves.

Bill, an act in addition to an act to incorporate the Lewiston

Institution for Savings, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Referred in concurrence.

Bill, an act making further provisions in equity, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, reporting a resolve to promote the education of the Penobscot Indians.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Resolve read once, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. PORTER of Lowell.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Caleb Edwards and others, reporting a bill, entitled an act to set off certain land from Poland and annex the same to Casco.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice, and on motion of Mr. MAYBERRY of Casco, it was laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, on petition of Passamaquoddy Indians, reporting a resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians, came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Resolve read once, and laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting legislation inexpedient on order in relation to the decision of the courts being prepared and published by the Supreme Judicial Court;

Report of same Committee, asking further time in which to make a final report;

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reporting finally, and asking to be discharged;

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting finally, and asking to be discharged;

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, reporting finally, and asking to be discharged.

The foregoing reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted.

They were severally read and accepted in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Columbus Crockett.

This resolve came from the Senate, that branch refusing to concur with the House in passing the resolve to be engrossed, and then indefinitely postponing the resolve. The House voted to insist on the vote whereby it passed the resolve to be engrossed, proposed a conference of the two Houses, and appointed Messrs. Loring of Guilford, Snow of Atkinson, and Bicknell of Augusta, Conferees on the part of the House.

Mr. BOODY, from the Committee of Conference, on bill, an act to incorporate the Trustees of the West Gardiner Academy, reported that the Conferees were not able to agree, and recommending to the House to adhere to the vote whereby it indefinitely postponed the bill.

Report accepted; and the report was sent to the Senate.

Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, reported to the House that he had accompanied STEPHEN BARTON, Esq, Representative elect from Windsor, to the Council Chamber, where he had taken and subscribed the oaths of office required by law to enable him to enter upon his official duties.

Bill, an act to incorporate the City of Brunswick, reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, with amendments.

Read three times, and on motion of Mr. BOODY of Brunswick, it was laid on the table.

Mr. MERRILL and Mr. PARSONS, from the Committe on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Samuel A. Gilman and others, made a minority report, with a resolve accompanying, entitled a resolve relating to the sale of the public lands.

Report accepted. Resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill, an act regulating the taxing of costs, additional to chapter 116 of the Revised Statutes, was taken up, read twice and to-morrow assigned for its third reading. On motion of Mr. BUXTON of Warren,

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee be requested to inquire into the expediency of altering section 13, of chapter 18, of the Revised Statutes, relating to costs of jury in laying out ways.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PIKE of Topsfield,

Ordered, That the gentleman who took from the desk of the Reporter for The Age, a copy of the Revised Statutes, be respectfully requested to return the same immediately.

Read and passed.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Wawenock Bank.

This bill having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Robbinston Farmers' Club.

This bill having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be en-. grossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the East Maine Conference Seminary, was taken up and considered, and the question being on its passage to be engrossed, Mr. PIKE of Topsfield, moved that when the question is taken it be taken by yeas and nays, and the House so ordered. Mr. BICKNELL of Augusta, moved, and the House ordered that the vote upon the resolve be taken at three o'clock this afternoon, and the resolve was pending when the House adjourned.

Adjourned to 2 1-2 P. M.

Met according to adjournment.

Resolve in favor of East Maine Conference Seminary, was, on motion of Mr. MOOR of Limerick, amended as per sheet A, and as amended, being on its passage to be engrossed, Mr. DRUMMOND of Winslow, moved the indefinite postponement of the bill, and Mr. PIKE of Topsfield, moved, and the House ordered, that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken the resolve was indefinitely postponed by yeas 67, nays 64—as follows: Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Andrews, Bailey, Balch, Bean, Bicknell, Blaisdell, 'Brown, Buck, Buxton, S. J. Chadbourne, Chick, E. Clark, Cowell, Cunningham, Clements, Coffin, R. R. Drummond, Dunn, Estes, Field, Foss, Gilkey, J. E. Hall, Hale, Hobbs, Holt, Ingalls, Jones, C. A. Kimball, I. C. Kimball, H. Kingsbury, S. Kingsbury, Knapp, Leighton, C. E. Libbey, J. Libbey, Maddox, Mayberry, Mitchell, Nutting, Oliver, J. Palmer, W. H. Palmer, B. F. Parkes, T. Parkes, Perkins, Pierce, H. Pike, Plummer, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Rideout, Roak, Rogers, Sanborn, A. B. Shaw, Shearman, Skinner, W. C. Smith, Spooner, Stanley, W. H. Sweat, Wadlin, Walsh, Waterhouse, Wing, York.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Arnold, Boody, Bowen, Bunker, Burbank, A. H. Clark, E. Davis, J. Davis, Deane, J. H. Drummond, Fisher, Flye, French, Fuller, Gilbert, Goodale, Hagar, J. Hall, Hanson, Hersey, Hill, Johnson, Judkins, G. A. Kimball, Longfellow, Loring, Marcyes, Marshall, Merrithew, Merrill, Miller, Milliken, J. L. Moor, L. S. Moore, Morrison, Parker, Parsons, Pattee, Percy, Pettengill, F. A. Pike, J. B. Pike, J. Porter, Prentiss, Quint, Ranney, Rice, Rowell, Sally, Sargent, Sawyer, Skillin, B. Smith, Snow, Stockbridge, M. E. Swett, Tapley, Tillson, Trussell, Wasson, Weeks, Wheeler, Whitney, Woodman.

And the resolve was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Resolves relating to Kansas affairs.

These resolves having had two several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, were finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of Westbrook Seminary.

This resolve was taken up, and the question being on the passage of the resolve to be engrossed, the House ordered the question to be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken the resolve was refused a passage by yeas 38, nays 88—as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Arnold, Bailey, Boody, Buck. Bunker, Burbank, A. H. Clark, E. Davis, J. Davis, Deane, J. H. Drummond, Fisher, French, Gilbert, Hagar, J. E. Hall, Hanson, Johnson, Longfellow, Loring, Merrithew, Miller, Milliken, J. L. Moor, Morrison, Parker, Pattee, J. Porter, Ranney, Rice, Sawyer, B. Smith, Snow, Stockbridge, Tillson, Weeks, Woodbury, Woodman.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Andrews, Balch, Bean, Bicknell, Blaisdell, Brown, Buxton, S. J. Chadbourne, Chick, E. Clark, Cowell, Cunningham, Clement, R. R. Drummond, Dunn, Estes, Field, Flye, Foss, Fuller, Gilkey, Goodale, J. Hall, Hale, Hersey, Hill, Hobbs, Holt, Ingalls, Jones, Judkins, Keene, C. A. Kimball, G. A. Kimball, I. C. Kimball, H. Kingsbury, S. Kingsbury, Knapp, C. E. Libbey, J. Libbey, Maddox, Marcyes, Marshall, Mayberry, Merrill, Mitchell, L. S. Moor, Nutting, Oliver, J. Palmer, W. H. Palmer, B. F. Parkes, T. Parkes, Parsons, Percy, Perkins, Pettengill, Pierce, F. A. Pike H. Pike, J. B. Pike, Plummer, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Prentiss, Quint, Rideout, Roak, Rogers, Sally, Sanborn, Sargent, A. B. Shaw, Shearman, Skillin, Skinner, W. C. Smith, Spooner, Stanley, M. E. Swett, Trussell, Wadlin, Walsh, Wasson, Waterhouse, Wheeler, Whitney, Wing, York.

And the resolve was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Bill, an act regulating certain courts in the County of Lincoln. Amended as per sheet A on motion of Mr. HAGAR of Richmond, and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act additional to an act entitled an act to authorize certain cities and towns to grant aid in the construction and completion of the Kennebec and Portland Railroad.

This bill was taken up, read twice, and on motion of Mr. BOODY of Brunswick, it was laid on the table.

Bill, an act to reduce the capital stock of the Pejepscot Bank;

Bill, an act to reduce the capital stock of the Maine Bank;

Bill, an act to reduce the capital stock of the Union Bank;

Bill, an act to amend section 24 of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the election of assessors and subordinate officers of cities;

Resolve in favor of John McClusky;

Resolve in relation to trespasses on the public lands;

Resolve in favor of the Insane Hospital;

Resolve in favor of John A. Cleaveland.

The above bills having each had three several readings, and the resolves having each had two several readings, and each passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were each passed to be enacted, the resolves finally passed, and they were signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

# WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. SMITH of Litchfield.

Papers from the Senate.

Bill, an act in relation to costs in criminal prosecutions before magistrates;

Bill, an act in relation to costs in civil cases.

These bills came from the Senate having been referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

They were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Reform School, reporting finally, and asking to be discharged, came from the Senate read and accepted.

Read and accepted, in concurrence.

Resolve authorizing an examination of the mineral resources of the county of Piscataquis.

This resolve came from the Senate, that branch refusing to concur with the House in recommitting the same with instructions as per sheet A, and then indefinitely postponing the resolve.

On motion of Mr. MERRILL of Williamsburg, it was laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on claim of the treasurers of several towns for bounty paid on wild animals, reporting a resolve in favor of the treasurers of the towns of Bethel, Stoneham and Clifton; also of A. Spooner;

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, reporting a bill, entitled an act to repeal the act incorporating the town of Elliotsville.

The above reports came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the bill and resolve passed to be engrossed.

Reports accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice, resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bill and the second reading of the resolve.

Petition of Charles Q. Clapp and others, of Portland, for an act

of incorporation for a Hotel Company, was presented by Mr. BOW-EN of Portland, with a bill accompanying. The petition was laid on the table.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Portland Hotel Company. Laid on the table by Mr. BOWEN of Portland.

Rules suspended. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill, an act to incorporate the North American Land Company. Laid on the table by Mr. BOODY of Brunswick, and under the rule lies over one day.

Mr. FISHER, from the Committee on Fisheries, on order relating to repeal of certain sections of chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes, reported a bill, entitled an act to amend the 40th chapter of the Revised Statutes, relating to fisheries;

Mr. MARSHALL, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on petition of the President, Directors and Company of the Mercantile Bank, reported a bill, entitled an act to revive and extend the charter of the Mercantile Bank at Bangor;

Mr. DEANE, from the Committee on Education, on petition of inhabitants of School District No. 15, in Parkman, reported a bill, entitled an act to make valid the doings of School District No. 15, in the town of Parkman;

Mr. MARSHALL, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on bill, an act to amend sections 50 and 54, of chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes, relating to banks and banking, reported the bill and that it ought to pass.

The foregoing reports were severally read and accepted. Bills each read twice, and to morrow assigned for their third reading.

Bill, an act to authorize Limestone plantation to raise money to repair roads in said plantation;

Bill, an act to set off certain territory from Paris to Woodstock; Bill, an act to incorporate the Maine Granite Company;

Bill, an act to amend chapter 40, section 53, of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taking of fish from Moosehead lake.

The above bills having each had three several readings, and re-

ported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Limerick Academy. Laid on the table by Mr. MOORE of Limerick.

Rules suspended, resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for the second reading thereof.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes, relating to banks and banking;

Bill, an act to increase the salaries of the Judge of Probate and of the Register of Probate in the county of Sagadahoc;

Bill, an act in relation to Trustees of Railroads, amended in concurrence, and further amended as per sheet B, annexed;

Bill, an act to incorporate the Belfast Gas Light Company, amended as per sheet A on motion of Mr. MARSHALL of Belfast.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act relating to the discipline of the State Prison;

Bill, an act to change the names of certain persons;

Bill, an act to incorporate the Waterville Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, were severally passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BICKNELL of Augusta, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, Mr. PIKE of Calais, in the Chair, and took up bill, an act to secure the safety and convenience of travelers on railroads, and considered the same. On motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, the Committee rose and the Chairman reported to the House, recommending the adopting of amendment marked A, and also to amend by striking out the 9th section. The Speaker resumed the Chair, and the House adjourned to 2 1-2 o'clock this afternoon. Met according to adjournment.

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported leave to withdraw on petition of inhabitants of Searsport, for bylaws.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition of Joseph W. Dyer and others, reporting a bill, entitled an act to incorporate the Portland and New York Steamship Company.

This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bill.

Resolve in favor of William Jameson and others, and Samuel A. Gilman and others.

This resclve having had two readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. PARKES of South Berwick, and Mr. BATCHELDER of Kenduskeag, asked and obtained the unanimous consent of the House to have their names recorded in the negative on the vote whereby the House on Friday last passed to be engrossed resolves relating to Kansas and slavery, and resolves relating to Kansas affairs.

Mr. BUXTON asked and obtained the unanimous consent of the House to have his vote recorded in the negative on the vote by, which the House on Friday last passed to be engrossed resolves relating to Kansas affairs.

Resolve in relation to settling accounts with Penobscot Indians and Passamaquoddy Indians. Laid on the table by Mr. BUCK of Oldtown, and under the rule lies over until to-morrow.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Sandy River Boom and Log Driving Company.

This bill having had three several readings, and reported by the

Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill, an act regulating the taxation of costs, additional to chapter 116 of the Revised Statutes.

This bill, on motion of Mr. DEANE of Portland, was amended as per sheet A;

Bill, an act to amend chapter 46 of the Revised Statutes, relative to demand of stockholders of corporations.

These bills having each had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend the 39th section, of chapter 3, of the Revised Statutes, relating to towns.

This bill came from the Senate, that branch having refused to pass the bill to be engrossed, and then indefinitely postponing it.

The House receded from its former vote passing the bill to be engrossed, and concurred with the Senate in indefinitely postponing the bill.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Wawenock Bank.

This bill having had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Petition of David Brown and 156 others, for a law to diminish litigation and to reduce the expenses of the same, was referred to a Joint Select Committee, consisting of seven on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join. Messrs. Rice of Hampden, French of Damariscotta, Tapley of Saco, Moore of Limerick, Banks of Biddeford, Knapp of East Livermore, and Chadbourne of Standish, were appointed said Committee on the part of the House.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. PRENTISS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order of inquiry into the expediency of passing further laws to prevent log stealing, reported legislation inexpedient.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BURBANK of Lewiston, the House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, Mr. BURBANK in the Chair, and took up bill, an act to secure the safety and convenience of travelers on railroads, and considered the same. On motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, the Committee rose. The Speaker took the Chair, and the Committee, through its Chairman, reported that the Committee had had the bill under consideration, and had made no definite progress. The House amended the bill as per sheet A, and also by striking out the 9th section, being the amendments recommended by the Committee of the Whole, and further amended as per sheet B on motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, and further amended as per sheet C on motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath, and on motion of Mr. GILBERT, the bill was laid on the table.

Bill, an act to incorporate the town of Presque Isle, was taken up and considered, and on motion of Mr. WOODBURY of Houlton, it was laid on the table.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

## THURSDAY, MARCH 18, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. BEAN of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate.

Resolve in favor of Columbus Crockett.

This resolve came from the Senate, that branch having voted to adhere to the vote whereby it indefinitely postponed the resolve.

The House voted to adhere to the vote whereby it passed the resolve to be engrossed, and the resolve was sent to the Senate.

Report of the Joint Special Committee, to which was referred an order in relation to the expediency of changing the Constitution so as to alter the time of holding State election.

This report came from the Senate having been made by a majority of said Committee, and read and accepted.

Read and accepted in concurrence.

Resolve in aid of Justus Gray.

This resolve came from the Senate recommitted to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

The House receded and concurred with the Senate in recommitting the resolve.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of Bangor, Oldtown and Milford Railroad, reporting a bill, entitled an act additional to incorporate the Bangor, Oldtown and Milford Railroad Company;

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Rufus Dwinel, D. W. Bradley and Harrison Knowles, reporting a resolve in favor of Rufus Dwinel, Daniel W. Bradley and Harrison Knowles;

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on petition of the Directors of the Long Reach Bank, reporting a bill, entitled an act additional to an act to incorporate the Long Reach Bank;

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on order relating to change of law concerning the mode of packing and marking paper, reporting bill, entitled an act to amend section 23, of chapter 39, of the Revised Statutes.

The foregoing reports came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the bills and resolve passed to be engrossed.

Reports accepted in concurrence. Bills read twice, and resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills and the second reading of the resolve.

Bill, an act to amend sections 50 and 54, of chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes, relating to banks and banking;

Bill, an act to amend the 40th chapter of the Revised Statutes, relating to fisheries;

Bill, an act to make valid the doings of School District No. 15, in the town of Parkman.

The above bills having each had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Portland and New York Steamship Company.

This bill having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the St. Croix Gas Light Company;

Bill, an act to authorize Limestone plantation to raise money to repair roads in said plantation;

Bill, an act to incorporate the Maine Granite Company:

Bill, an act to amend chapter 40, section 53 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taking of fish from Moosehead lake;

Resolve relating to taxes of the towns of Hollis and Dayton;

Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians;

The foregoing bills having had three several readings each, and the resolves having had two several readings each, and each of the bills and resolves passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were severally passed to be enacted, the resolves were severally finally passed, and they were each signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate. Resolve in favor of the treasurers of the towns of Bethel, Stoneham and Clifton. Also, A. Spooner.

This resolve having had two several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Adjourned to half-past two o'clock, P. M.

Met according to adjournment.

Bill, an act to secure the safety and convenience of travelers on railroads.

This bill was taken from the table on motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, and on motion of Mr. HANSON of Gardiner, the bill was further amended as per sheet D, and the bill being upon its passage to be engrossed, and the House having ordered that question taken by yeas and nays, on motion of Mr. FIELD of Danville, it was so taken, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, by yeas 79, nays 51, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Andrews, Arnold, Balch, Banks, Bean, Bicknell, Boody, Brown, Buxton, S. J. Chadbourne, Chick, A. H. Clark, E. Clark, Cunningham, Coffin, J. Davis, R. R. Drummond, Flye, Foss, French, Fuller, Gilbert, Gilkey, Hagar, J. Hall, Hanson, Hersey, Hill, Johnson, Jones, Judkins, Keene, G. A. Kimball, H. Kingsbury, T. R. Kingsbury, Leighton, C. E. Libbey, Marcyes, Marshall, Mayberry, Merrill, Mitchell, J. L. Moor, Morrison, Nutting, Oliver, W. H. Palmer, T. Parkes, Parsons, Pattee, Percy, Perkins, Pierce, H. Pike, J. B. Pike, Plummer, J. Porter, Pratt, Quint, Rogers, Rowell, Sally, Sanborn, Sargent, Sawyer, Shearman, B. Smith, M. E. Swett, W. H. Swett, Tapley, Tibbetts, Tillson, Trussell, Wasson, Weeks, Wheeler, Whitney, Wing, Woodbury.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Bailey, Batchelder, Blaisdell, Bowen, Buck, Bucknam, Burbank, H. M. Chadbourne, Clements, E. Davis, Deane, J. H. Drummond, Dunn, Estes, Field, Goodale, J. E. Hall, Hale, Hobbs, Holt, Ingalls, I. C. Kimball, S. Kingsbury, Lane, J. Libbey, Loring, Maddox, Mayo, Miller, Milliken, L. S. Moore, J. Palmer, Pettengill, F. A. Pike, S. R. Porter, Prentiss, Ranney, Rice, Roak, A. B.

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Shaw, Skillin, Skinner, W. C. Smith, Spooner, Stanley, Stockbridge, Strickland, Wadlin, Walsh, Waterhouse, Woodman.

And the bill was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Judiciary Committee, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Isaac Sturdevant;

Mr. TAPLEY, from the same Committee, on petition of Isaac Sturdevant, made a minority report, granting leave to said petitioner to bring in a bill, entitled an act to amend the charter of the Cumberland Marine Railway Company, and the act incorporating the Franklin Wharf Company.

On motion of Mr. TAPLEY of Saco, the foregoing reports were laid on the table, and 350 copies of the bill ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Reform School;

Resolve in favor of the Reform School.

The foregoing bill and resolve were taken from the table, and on motion of Mr. DEANE of Portland, to-morrow morning, at halfpast 10 o'clock, assigned for their consideration.

On motion of Mr. KINGSBURY of Bradford,

Ordered, That the claims of the town of Charleston for bounty paid on wild animals, be taken from the files and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the treasurer of the town of Leeds. Laid on the table by Mr. FOSS of Leeds, and under the rule lies over until to-morrow.

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported legislation inexpedient on order in relation to contracts of married women.

Also, on order in relation to closing proceedings before County Commissioners.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. PIKE, from the Judiciary Committee, to which was recom-

mitted report of said Committee on order in relation to costs in criminal prosecutions, with instructions to report a bill, reported bill, entitled an act relative to fines and costs of criminal prosecutions.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill, an act to set off certain land from Poland and annex the same to Casco;

Bill, an act to make valid the proceedings of School Districts No. 3 and 6 in Dresden.

The above bills having each had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill, an act relating to executions against Sheriffs;

Bill, an act to amend chapter 105 of the Revised Statutes, respecting the limitation of real actions;

Bill, an act to authorize the town of Milbridge to purchase or hire a bridge;

Bill, an act additional to chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the destruction of moose and deer;

Bill, an act to authorize Eustis plantation to raise money for the repair of roads and bridges in said plantation;

Resolve for the repair of the Military Road;

Resolve in aid of building a bridge across the north branch of Dead river in the county of Franklin;

Resolve in favor of Stephen L. Goodale.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and the resolves having each had two several readings, and each passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were severally passed to be enacted, the resolves were severally finally passed, and they were each signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill, an act to incorporate the City of Brunswick.

This bill was amended as per sheets A and B, and as amended, having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of William Jameson and others and Samuel A. Gilman and others.

On motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath, the House reconsidered the vote whereby it yesterday passed the resolve to be engrossed, and on motion of Mr. SPOONER of New Portland, the resolve was indefinitely postponed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the minority of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of Samuel A. Gilman and others, was taken from the table and accepted. The resolve accompanying, as follows, resolve relating to the sale of the public lands, was amended as per sheet A, and as amended, on motion of Mr. PARSONS of Eustis plantation, it was indefinitely postponed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to repeal the act incorporating the town of Elliotsville, was taken up and considered, and laid on the table and tomorrow assigned for its consideration.

Bill, an act for the preservation of trout and pickerel in the waters of the Sebago lake, Brandy pond, Long pond and Crooked river, and their tributary streams, in the county of Cumberland, was amended as per sheet A, on motion of Mr. WHITNEY of Raymond, and as amended, having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Judiciary Committee, on bill, entitled an act making further provisions in equity, reported the bill and that it ought not to pass.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. PRENTISS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order of inquiry into the necessity of amending chapter 67 of the Revised Statutes, reported a bill, entitled an act additional to chapter 67 of the Revised Statutes.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Report of the Committee on the Militia on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the militia, reporting bill, entitled an act additional to chapter 10 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the militia.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Reports accepted in concurrence. Bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading thereof.

Resolve in favor of Penobscot Indians, was taken up and considered, and Mr. PORTER of Lowell, moved the indefinite postponement of the resolve, and pending this question the House

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

# GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

## FRIDAY, MARCH 19, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. INGRAHAM of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes;

Bill, an act additional to an act approved February 17th, 1858, altering the time for holding the May Term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the county of Lincoln.

These bills came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Treasurer's Accounts, reporting finally, and asking to be discharged;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting reference to the next Legislature on order relating to the modification or simplification of forms in civil or criminal process;

Report of same Committee, making same report on order relating to reducing the expenses of the judiciary system;

Report of the Committee on Accounts on order directing them to audit and allow what they may deem equitable on the accounts for printing (now before them) for the Maine State Agricultural Society.

The above reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted.

They were severally read and accepted in concurrence.

Bill, an act relating to certain courts in the county of Lincoln, amended in concurrence with the Senate as per sheet B;

Bill, an act additional to an act to incorporate the Long Reach Bank.

The above bills were severally read three times, reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in relation to township L, range 2.

This resolve came from the Senate, that branch having receded

and amended the resolve so that it shall read "six thousand" instead of "six thousand five hundred," and as amended passed to be engrossed.

The House receded from its vote passing the resolve to be engrossed, and amended it in concurrence with the Senate, and as amended passed the resolve in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on order for survey of line between Maine and New Hampshire.

This report came from the Senate, that branch amended by giving leave to bring in a resolve, entitled resolve providing for surveying and marking the line of the State between Maine and New Hampshire, and as amended the Senate accepted the report, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

The House reconsidered the vote accepting the report, amended it in concurrence, and as amended, accepting it.

Resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Resolve to promote the education of the Penobscot Indians.

This resolve was read twice, and on motion of Mr. RANNEY of Winn, it was laid on the table.

Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians, was read twice, and on motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais, the resolve was indefinitely postponed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes, relating to proceedings in court;

Bill, an act to incorporate the Portland Hotel Company;

Bill, an act to amend chapter 49 of the Revised Statutes, respecting directors of mutual insurance companies;

Bill, an act to revive and extend the charter of the Mercantile Bank at Bangor;

Resolve in aid of repairing a road and building bridge in township No. 2, in the second range west of the Kennebec river, in the county of Somerset;

Resolve for the repair of road in Letter B, R. 1;

Resolve for the repair of the bridge over the Mattawamkeag river in township No. 1, range 2, in the county of Aroostook. The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and the resolves having each had two readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. BUXTON of Warren, moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House on yesterday passed to be engrossed, bill, an act to incorporate the City of Brunswick.

The House rejected the motion.

Report of the Committee on Accounts on order directing them to audit and allow what they may deem equitable on the accounts for printing (now before them) for the Maine State Agricultural Society.

On motion of Mr. HAGAR of Richmond, the House reconsidered the vote whereby it accepted this report, and recommitted it.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Bangor Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

This bill came from the Senate, that branch having refused to pass the bill to be engrossed, and then indefinitely postponing it.

The House voted to insist on the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed, proposed a conference of the two Houses of the Legislature, and appointed Messrs. Prentiss of Bangor, Miller of Portland, and Rice of Hampden, Conference on the part of the House.

Petition of George W. Pickering and others, for the Bangor Mutual Fire Insurance Company. Presented by Mr. PRENTISS of Bangor, and on his motion referred to the Conferences on bill, an act to incorporate the Bangor Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to reduce the capital stock of the City Bank at Bath;

Bill, an act to set off certain territory from Paris to Woodstock; Bill, an act to amend chapter 123 of the Special Laws of 1857,

relating to the Augusta Free Bridge Company.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, were severally passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate. Bill, an act additional to chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Reform School;

Resolve in favor of the Reform School.

This bill and resolve were considered, and on motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais, laid on the table.

Adjourned to half-past 2 o'clock, P. M.

Met according to adjournment.

Bill, an act to make valid the proceedings of School Districts No. 3 and 6 in Dresden;

Bill, an act to incorporate the Brunswick Savings Institution;

Bill, an act to incorporate the Sandy River Boom and Log Driving Company;

Bill, an act to set off certain lands from Poland and annex the same to Otisfield;

Bill, an act to amend chapters 6 and 18 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the location and repair of roads in unincorporated places;

Bill, an act relating to certain courts in the county of Lincoln;

Bill, an act to incorporate the Portland and New York Steamship Company;

Resolves in favor of the treasurers of the towns of Bethel, Stoneham and Clifton. Also, of A. Spooner.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and the resolve having had two several readings, and the bills and resolves having severally been passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were passed to be enacted, the resolves finally passed, and they were signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MERRILL of Williamsburg,

Ordered, That the Land Agent be directed to insert in his next annual report, a schedule showing the amount paid out in each county for roads, bridges, schools, mills, or for any other improvement or purpose connected with the sale or settlement of the public lands. Also, the amount of lands granted by the State in aid of literary institutions in the several counties. Also, the amount received for lands, timber, grass, &c., from the territorial limits of each county, from 1820 to 1858, inclusive, so far as may be shown from the books in the Land Office.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. KIMBALL of Rumford,

Ordered, That the claim of the treasurer of the town of Hanover, for bounty paid on Wild Animals, be taken from the files and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. WOODBURY of Houlton.

Ordered, That the claim of the treasurer of the town of Houlton, for bounty paid on Wild Animals, be taken from the files and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Bill, an act relating to fines and costs of criminal prosecutions, was taken up and considered. Mr. FRENCH of Damariscotta, moved to amend as per sheet A. Mr. BURBANK of Lewiston, moved to amend as per sheet B, and on motion of Mr. FRENCH of Damariscotta, the bill was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. PRATT of Oxford,

Ordered, That the use of this Hall be granted to William Atkinson, this evening, by his request, to speak upon the justice and propriety of enacting certain statutes.

Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. RIDEOUT of Cumberland,

Ordered, That when this House adjourns to-morrow at 12 1-2 o'clock, it adjourn to meet on Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

Read and passed.

Mr. PIKE of Calais, moved a reconsideration of the vote by which the foregoing order was passed, and on this motion on motion of Mr. HILL of Sullivan, the House ordered the yeas and nays, and being taken the House reconsidered the vote passing the order by yeas 67, nays 63—as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Bailey, Banks, Bean, Bicknell, Boody, Brown, Buck, Buchnam, Burbank, Chick, A. H. Clark, E. Clark, Clement, Coffin, J. H. Drummond, R. R. Drummond, Estes, Field, J. Hall, Hanson, Hill, Hobbs, Holt, Johnson, Judkins, C. A. Kimball, I. C. Kimball, Leighton, J. Libbey, Loring, Marshall, Mayberry, Mayo, Merrill, Miller, Morrison, J. Palmer, W. H. Palmer, T. Parkes, Parsons, Pattee, Percy, Pettingill, F. A. Pike, J. Porter, Pratt, Prentiss, Rackliff, Ranney, Roak, Rowell, Sally, Sargent, B. Smith, W. C. Smith, Snow, Strickland, M. E. Sweat, Tapley, Tillson, Walsh, Wheeler, Whitney, Wing, Woodbury, Woodman.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Andrews, Balch, Batchelder, Blaisdell, Bowen, Brackett, Buxton, H. M. Chadbourne, S. J. Chadbourne, Cunningham, Conant, E. Davis, J. Davis, Deane, Dunn, Fisher, Flye, Foss, French, Gilbert, Gilkey, Goodale, Hagar, J. E. Hall, Hale, Ingalls, Jones, Keene, G. A. Kimball, S. Kingsbury, T. R. Kingsbury, Knapp, Lane, C. E. Libbey, Maddox, Marcyes, Merrithew, L. S. Moore, Nutting, Oliver, Perkins, Pierce, H. Pike, J. B. Pike, Plummer, S. R. Porter, Quint, Rideout, Sanborn, Sawyer, A. B. Shaw, Shearman, Skinner, Spooner, Stanley, Stockbridge, W. H. Swett, Tibbetts, Trussell, Wadlin, Waterhouse, Weeks, York.

On motion of Mr. PARSONS of Eustis plantation, the order was then indefinitely postponed.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Belfast Gas Light Company;

Bill, an act additional to chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes, relating to Banks and Banking;

Bill, an act to set off certain land from Poland and annex the same to Casco;

Bill, an act to incorporate the Robbinston Farmers' Club.

The above bills having each had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, they were severally passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of Limerick Academy.

This resolve, having had two readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Joint Select Committee to which was referred so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the traffic in intoxi-

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cating liquors, and on petition of Maria Cornelia D. Dow and 1937 other women, and sundry other petitions, reporting a bill, entitled an act to restrain and regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors.

This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the bill amended as per sheet A and B, and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice, and to-morrow at 10 o'clock assigned for the third reading of the bill.

Remonstrance of Joseph S. Jewett and 59 others of the town of Gorham, against the enactment of the bill for the suppression of the liquor traffic as reported by the Committee, and praying for the adoption of the law of 1853 amended in regard to libelling liquors so it may conform to the decision of our courts. Presented by Mr. HALL of Gorham, and on his motion was ordered to be filed with the report and papers of the Committee on that subject.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Reform School;

<sup>•</sup>Resolve in favor of the Reform School.

The above bill and resolve were taken from the table, and on motion of Mr. DEANE of Portland, to-morrow at 10 1-2 o'clock was assigned for their consideration.

Bill, an act to make valid the proceedings of school districts Nos. 3 and 6, in Dresden. On motion of Mr. HAGAR of Richmond, the House reconsidered the vote whereby it passed this bill to be enacted.

On motion of Mr. HAGAR of Richmond,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate requesting it to return to this House a bill, entitled an act to make valid the proceedings of school districts Nos. 3 and 6, in Dresden, if in its possession.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

#### GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

#### SATURDAY, MARCH 20, 1858.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and presided during the choice of a Speaker *pro tem*.

On motion of Mr. MARSHALL of Belfast,

Ordered, That in the absence of the Speaker, WASHINGTON GIL-BERT of Bath, be declared Speaker pro tem.

Read and passed.

A message was sent to the Senate by Mr. TAPLEY of Saco, informing that branch, that in the absence of the Speaker, the House had elected WASHINGTON GILBERT, Speaker *pro tem.* A similar message was sent to the Governor and Council by Mr. PRENTISS of Bangor. These gentlemen subsequently reported that they had discharged the duty assigned them.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. BARTLETT of Augusta.

The Clerk was charged with, and conveyed to the Senate, the message ordered by the order of Mr. HAGAR passed yesterday.

Resolve in relation to township L, range 2.

This resolve having had two several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, was finally passed, signed by the Speaker *pro tem.*, and sent to the Senate.

Papers from the Senate.

Bill, an act additional to an act to incorporate the city of Gardiner;

Bill, an act to create and establish the office of Auditor in each of the several counties of this State.

The above bills came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Referred in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the Medical School of Maine.

This resolve came from the Senate, that branch rejecting amendment A, and then refusing to pass the resolve to be engrossed. Mr. CHADBOURNE of Dixmont, moved that the House recede and concur with the Senate, and Mr. DRUMMOND of Winslow, moved that this question be taken by yeas and nays, and the House so ordered, and being taken, the House voted to recede and concur with the Senate in rejecting amendment A, and refusing to pass the bill, by yeas 70, nays 55, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Bailey, Banks, Bicknell, Blaisdell, Bowen, Brown, Bucknam, S. J. Chadbourne, Chick, A. H. Clark, E. Clark, Clements, Conant, R. R. Drummond, Dunn, Field, Fisher, Flye, Foss, Fuller, Gilkey, Goodale, Hanson, Hale, Hersey, Hill, Holt, I. C. Kimball, H. Kingsbury, S. Kingsbury, Lane, Leighton, C. E. Libbey, J. Libbey, Maddox, Marcyes, Marshall, Mayberry, Merrithew, Morrison, Nutting, Oliver, W. H. Palmer, T. Parkes, Parsons, Percy, Perkins, Pierce, J. Porter, Rackliffe, Ranney, Rideout, Roak, Rogers, Sally, Sanborn, Sargent, A. B. Shaw, Skinner, Stanley, Strickland, W. H. Swett, Tibbetts, Trussell, Wadlin, Wasson, Waterhouse, Wheeler, Wing, York.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Arnold, Balch, Batchelder, Boody, Brackett, Buck, Burbank, Buxton, H. M. Chadbourne, Coffin, E. Davis, J. Davis, Deane, Estes, French, Gilbert, J. Hall, J. E. Hall, Hobbs, Ingalls, Johnson, Judkins, Keene, G. A. Kimball, T. R. Kingsbury, Knapp, Loring, Mayo, Merrill, Miller, Milliken, J. Palmer, Parker, Pattee, Pettengill, H. Pike, J. B. Pike, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Prentiss, Quint, Rowell, Sawyer, B. Smith, W. C. Smith, Snow, Spooner, Stockbridge, M. E. Sweat, Tapley, Tillson, Weeks, Whitney, Woodbury, Woodman.

Bill, an act to amend an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Maine State Seminary, approved March 16, 1855, came from the Senate, that branch refusing to concur with the House in passing the bill to be engrossed, and committing the same to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The House reconsidered the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed, and committed it in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the Treasurer of the town of Leeds, was taken up and referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. KINGSBURY, from the Committee on Military Pensions, on petition of Timothy Gibson and others, reported reference to the next Legislature.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned to 2 1-2 this afternoon.

Met according to adjournment.

Claim of the Treasurer of Bloomfield, for bounty on silk, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. BURBANK of Lewiston, laid on the table the following order, which, on motion of Mr. TIBBETTS of Lovell, was indefinitely postponed :

Ordered, That no member shall speak to one question more than fifteen minutes at one time, nor more than twice without the unanimous consent of the House.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Reform School.

This bill came from the Senate amended as per sheets A, B and C, and as amended, the bill passed to be engrossed.

The House concurred in the Senate amendments, and further amended the bill as per sheets D and E, and as amended, having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act additional to an act to incorporate the Long Reach Bank;

Bill, an act to increase the salaries of the Judge of Probate and of the Register of Probate in the County of Sagadahoc.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, were severally passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate. Bill, an act additional to chapter 10 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Militia.

This bill having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and being on its passage to be engrossed, Mr. KIMBALL of Bethel, moved, and the House ordered, the yeas and nays to be taken on the question, and being taken the bill was passed to be engrossed in concurrence, by yeas 65, nays 45—as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Bailey, Balch, Batchelder, Bean, Brackett, Buck. Bucknam, Burbank, Buxton, H. M. Chadbourne, Chick, E. Clark, Cunningham, Coffin, Conant, Deane, J. H. Drummond, Field, Fisher, Flye, Foss, French, Goodale, J. Hall, Hobbs, Holt, Jones, Judkins, Keene, H. Kingsbury, S. Kingsbury, T. R. Kingsbury, Knapp, Lane, J. Libbey, Longfellow, Maddox, Marcyes, Marshall, Mayberry, Merrithew, Milliken, Nutting, Oliver, J. Palmer, T. Parkes, Parsons, H. Pike, J. B. Pike, J. Porter, Pratt, Prentiss, Ranney, Rice, Rideout, Sawyer, A. B. Shaw, Stockbridge, M. E. Sweat, Tibbetts, Tillson, Trussell, Wheeler, Whitney, Woodbury.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Bicknell, Blaisdell, Boody, Brown, S. J. Chadbourne, Clement, E. Davis, J. Davis, R. R. Drummond, Dunn, Estes, Gilkey, J. E. Hall, Hanson, Hale, Hersey, Hill, Johnson, G. A. Kimball, I. C. Kimball, C. E. Libbey, Loring, Merrill, Miller, Parker, Perkins, Pettengill, F. A. Pike Rackliff, Roak, Rogers, Sally, Sanborn, Skinner, W. C. Smith, Snow, Strickland, Wadlin, Walsh, Wasson, Waterhouse, Weeks, Wing, Woodman, York.

Mr. HANSON of Gardiner, moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House passed to be engrossed the resolve in favor of Limerick Academy. The motion was laid on the table and Tuesday next assigned for its consideration.

Resolve providing for an appropriation for the State Reform School;

Resolve providing for surveying and marking the State line between Maine and New Hampshire.

The above resolves having each had two several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Bill, an act concerning the Fish Wardens. Laid on the table by Mr. PORTER of Lowell, and under the rule lies over until Monday.

Bill, an act to incorporate the North American Land Company. Read twice, and Monday assigned for its third reading.

Bill, an act additional to incorporate the Bangor, Oldtown and Milford Railroad Company, was amended in concurrence with the Senate, and further amended as per sheet B;

Bill, an act to repeal the act incorporating the town of Elliottsville, amended as per sheet A.

The above bills having each had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were, as amended severally passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

ATTEST :

# GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

### MONDAY, MARCH 22, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. FELCH of Hallowell.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on petition of James Cutts;

Report of the same Committee, on petitions of A. J. W. Stevens and others, of John P. Shaw and others, of Aretas Chapman and others, of J. S. Monroe and others, of Joseph B. Packard and others.

The above reports came from the Senate, that branch having receded from its vote recommitting the reports, and referring them to the next Legislature. The House receded from its vote recommitting the reports, and referred them to the next Legislature, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, on Report of the Superintendent of Common Schools, reported a bill, entitled an act amending chapter 66 of the Revised Statutes, relating to insolvent estates.

This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order in relation to the support of poor debtors in prison.

This report came from the Senate, that branch having adhered to the vote whereby it accepted the report.

The House receded from its vote recommitting the report, and accepted it in concurrence.

Bill, an act to change the names of certain persons. Laid on the table by Mr. KIMBALL of Bethel;

Bill, an act concerning Fish Wardens.

The foregoing bills were each read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of each.

Resolve in favor of the Report of Albert T. Wheelock, came from the Senate passed to be engrossed. Resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Petition of the Selectmen of the town of Webster, to make valid the records of said town for the years 1856, 1857 and 1858, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Order relating to the claim of the treasurer of the town of Chelsea, for bounty paid on wild animals, came from the Senate read and passed.

Read and passed in concurrence.

Bill, an act to restrain and regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors, was taken up and read the third time, and pending when the House adjourned.

Met at 2 1-2 P. M., according to adjournment.

Bill, an act to restrain and regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors, was amended in concurrence with the Senate as per sheets A and B, amendment A changing the title of the bill so that it is, an act for the suppression of drinking houses and tippling shops.

The bill was further amended as per sheets C and D on motion of Mr. TAPLEY of Saco, and on motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, it was amended as per sheet E. Mr. TILLSON of Rockland, moved to amend as per sheet F, and on this motion Mr. BOWEN of Portland, moved the yeas and nays, and the House so ordered, and upon being taken the amendment was rejected by yeas 45, nays 66—as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Buck, Bucknam, Burbank, Coffin, J. H. Drummond, Flye, Foss, French, Gilbert, Gilkey, J. Hall, Hill, Jones, Judkins, I. C. Kimball, H. Kingsbury, S. Kingsbury, Lane, Leighton, C. E. Libbey, J. Libbey, Longfellow, Marshall, Milliken, Pattee, Prentiss, Ranney, Rice, Rogers, Sally, Sanborn, A. B. Shaw, Snow, Stockbridge, Tapley, Tillson, Trussell, Walsh, Wasson, Waterhouse, Weeks, Wheeler, Wing, Woodbury, Woodman.

Those who voted in the negative are-

Messrs. Bailey, Banks, Bean, Bicknell, Blaisdell, Boody, Bowen, Brackett, Brown, S. J. Chadbourne, Chick, A. H. Clark, Clement, Conant, E. Davis, J. Davis, Deane, R. R. Drummond, Dunn, Estes, Field, Fuller, Goodale, J. E. Hall, Hanson, Hale, Hersey, Hobbs, Holt, Ingalls, Johnson, C. A. Kimball, G. A. Kimball, Knapp, Loring, Maddox, Marcyes, Merrithew, Merrill, Miller, Morrison, Oliver, Parker, T. Parkes, Parsons, Percy, Perkins, Pettengill, F. A. Pike, H. Pike, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Rackliff, Roak, Rowell, Sargent, Sawyer, Shearman, Skinner, B. Smith, W. C. Smith, Stanley, Strickland, Wadlin, Whitney, York.

A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary, informing the House that bill, an act to make valid the doings of School Districts Nos. 3 and 6, in Dresden, is not in the possession of the Senate, that branch having passed the same to be enacted, and transmitted it to the Governor for his approval and signature; and further saying, that a message had been transmitted to the Governor requesting him to return said bill to the Senate in order to its return to the House, and that the Governor returned in answer to the message of the Senate, that he had previous to its receipt approved and signed the bill.

Bill, an act to restrain and regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors, being on its passage to be engrossed, and having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and the House having ordered, on motion of Mr. PERKINS of Kennebunkport, that the question be taken by yeas and nays it was so taken, and the bill as amended was passed to be engrossed by yeas 104, nays 27—as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Bailey, Banks, Barton, Bean, Bicknell, Blaisdell, Boody, Bowen, Brackett, Brown, Buck, Bucknam, Burbank, S. J. Chadbourne, Chick, A. H. Clark, Clement, Coffin, Conant, E. Davis, J. Davis, Deane, J. H. Drummond, R. R. Drummond, Dunn, Estes, Field, Fisher, Flye, Foss, Fuller, Gilkey, Goodale, Hagar, J. Hall, J. E. Hall, Hanson, Hale, Hill, Hobbs, Holt, Johnson, Jones, Judkins, G. A. Kimball, C. A. Kimball, I. C. Kimball, H. Kingsbury, S. Kingsbury, Knapp, Lane, Leighton, Longfellow, Loring, Maddox, Marcyes, Marshall, Merrithew, Merrill, Miller, Milliken, Morrison, Oliver, Parker, T. Parkes, Parsons, Pattee. Percy, Perkins, Pettingill, F. A. Pike, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Prentiss, Rackliff, Rice, Roak, Rogers, Rowell, Sally, Sanborn, Sargent, Sawyer, Shearman, Skillin, Skinner, B. Smith, W. C. Smith, Snow, Stanley, Stockbridge, Strickland, Tapley, Tillson, Wadlin, Walsh, Wasson, Waterhouse, Weeks, Wheeler, Whitney, Wing, Woodbury, Woodman, York.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Balch, Batchelder, Buxton, H. M. Chadbourne, E. Clark, Cunningham, Hersey, Ingalls, Keene, C. E. Libbey, J. Libbey, Mayberry, Mitchell, Nutting, J. Palmer, H. Pike, J. B. Pike, J. Porter, Ranney, Rideout, Spooner, M. E. Sweat, W. H. Swett, Tibbetts, Trussell.

And the bill was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BURBANK of Lewiston,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Pay Roll be directed to make up in the pay roll the usual compensation to the reporters.

Read and passed.

Resolve relating to the compensation of the Commissioner at Washington, was read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act in relation to trustees of railroads, came from the Senate further amended as per sheet C. The House receded and concurred with the Senate in amending as per sheet C, and as amended passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. SPOONER, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported reference to the next Legislature, on petition of Sumner Whitney and others, for an appropriation;

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, reported reference to the next Legislature, on petition of Justus Gray, for conveyance of land.

Reports accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. WOODBURY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on order in relation to the repair of the road on Indian township, in the County of Washington, reporting a resolve for the repair of road on Indian township;

Mr. SPOONER, from the same Committee, on application of

John A. Poor, relating to purchase of copies of Greenleaf's map, reported a resolve authorizing the Land Agent to procure a corrected map of the State;

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on petition of Phillis Russell, for conveyance of land, reported a resolve in favor of Phillis Russell.

The foregoing reports were severally read and accepted. The resolves read once, and to-morrow assigned for the second reading of each.

Resolve for the payment of additional roll of accounts number 38, came from the Senate reported by the Committee on Accounts, with the report accepted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. DAVIS of Fairfield,

Ordered, That the Committee on Credentials make their final report to-morrow.

Read and passed.

Bill, an act to establish the office of Auditor of Accounts, was taken from the table, and on motion of Mr. PRENTISS of Bangor, to-morrow, at 10 o'clock, was assigned for its consideration.

Bill, an act regulating the taxation of costs, additional to chapter 116 of the Revised Statutes.

This bill came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The House receded from the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed, and referred in concurrence.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes, relating to divorce, was read the third time, and on motion of Mr. BOODY of Brunswick, it was laid on the table.

Mr. WOODBURY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of sundry persons for an appropriation for the making and repairing State roads in Aroostook county, reported a resolve for the repair of roads and bridges in the county of Aroostook;

Mr. FRENCH, from the Judiciary Committee, on order relating

to section 20, of chapter 80, of the Revised Statutes, relating to sheriffs, reported a bill, entitled an act amending section 20, of chapter 80, of the Revised Statutes, relating to sheriffs.

The foregoing reports were severally read and accepted, the resolve read once, the bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the second reading of the resolve and the third reading of the bill.

Bill, an act to incorporate the town of Presque Isle.

Mr. PATTEE of Fort Fairfield, moved to amend the bill as per sheet A, and on this motion, on motion of Mr. BUXTON of Warren, the House ordered the yeas and nays, and being taken, the amendment was adopted by yeas 73, nays 25, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Bailey, Banks, Batchelder, Bean, Bicknell, Blaisdell, Boody, Brown, Buck, Bucknam, Buxton, H. M. Chadbourne, S. J. Chadbourne, Chick, Cunningham, Clement, Coffin, E. Davis, J. Davis, Deane, R. R. Drummond, Field, Foss, Gilbert, Goodale, Hale, Hobbs, Ingalls, Johnson, Keene, C. A. Kimball, S. Kingsbury, T. R. Kingsbury, C. E. Libbey, J. Libbey, Loring, Maddox, Marshall, Merrill, Miller, Milliken, Nutting, Oliver, J. Palmer, T. Parkes, Pattee, Percy, Perkins, Pettingill, Pierce, F. A. Pike, H. Pike, Quint, Rackliff, Ranney, Rideout, Rogers, Sanborn, Sawyer, Shearman, Skillin, B. Smith, W. C. Smith, Spooner, Stanley, Strickland, M. E. Sweat, W. H. Swett, Tibbetts, Trussell, Walsh, Waterhouse, Woodman, York.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Burbank, A. H. Clark, J. H. Drummond, Estes, Fisher, Flye, Fuller, Hersey, Hill, Holt, Jones, G. A. Kimball, I. C. Kimball, Parker, J. Porter, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Rice, Roak, Rowell, Sally, Snow, Weeks, Whitney, Woodbury.

And the question then being on the bill, as amended, to be passed to be engrossed, it having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to incorporate the North American Land Company.

This bill was read three times, and by consent of the House was withdrawn by Mr. BOODY of Brunswick.

Mr. HANSON of Gardiner, introduced the following order, which, on motion of Mr. BUXTON of Warren, was laid on the table:

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate requesting that branch to return to this' House the resolve in favor of Limerick Academy, if the same is in possession of that body.

Bill, an act relating to the depositions of parties, was read three times, and on motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais, was laid on the table.

Resolve in favor of Rufus Dwinel, Daniel W. Bradley and Harrison Knowles, was read twice, and on motion of Mr. SPOONER of New Portland, it was laid on the table.

Bill, an act to repeal an act to make valid the proceedings of School Districts No. 3 and 6, in Dresden. Laid on the table by Mr. HAGAR of Richmond;

Bill, an act additional to chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes. Laid on the table by Mr. WOODBURY of Houlton.

The above bills, under the rule, lie over until to-morrow.

Bill, an act relating to reviews, was read three times, and on motion of Mr. DEANE of Portland, it was laid on the table.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 67 of the Revised Statutes, relating to guardians;

Bill, an act to amend section 11, of chapter 6, of the Revised Statutes, relating to taxes.

The above bills having each had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to provide for the greater security of travelers and lodgers at inns during fires, having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Resolve in favor of William Jameson and others, and Samuel A. Gilman and others.

This resolve came from the Senate, that branch insisting on its former vote passing the resolve to be engrossed, and proposing a Conference, and appointing Messrs. Wasson, Hobbs and Davis, as Conferees on the part of the Senate.

The House insisted on its vote, agreed to the proposition for a Conference, and appointed Messrs. Parsons of Eustis plantation, Wasson of Brooksville, and Goodale of Orrington, as Conferees on the part of the House.

Bill, an act to revive and extend the charter of the Mercantile Bank, at Bangor;

Bill, an act additional to incorporate the Bangor, Oldtown and Milford Railroad Company;

Bill, an act for the preservation of trout in certain waters;

Bill, an act to amend the 40th chapter of the Revised Statutes, relating to fisheries;

Bill, an act to amend chapter 49 of the Revised Statutes, respecting Directors of Mutual Insurance Companies;

Bill, an act to make valid the doings of School District No. 15, in the town of Parkman;

Bill, an act to amend chapter 46 of the Revised Statutes, relative to demands on stockholders of corporations;

Bill, an act to incorporate the Portland Hotel Company;

Resolve in aid of repairing a road and building a bridge in township No. 2, in the 2d range west of the Kennebec river, in the county of Somerset;

Resolve providing for an appropriation for the State Reform School;

Resolve providing for surveying and marking the State line between Maine and New Hampshire.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and the resolves having each had two several readings, and each passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were severally passed to be

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enacted, the resolves finally passed, and they were signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

#### TUESDAY, MARCH 23, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. BUTTERFIELD of Hallowell.

Resolve for the payment of Additional Roll of Accounts No. 38, was read the second time, reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting reference to the next Legislature on petition of Nathaniel Blake relating to lands in township No. 13, range 6, came from the Senate, having been read and accepted.

Read and accepted, in concurrence.

Resolve to collect certain securities in the Land Office, came from the Senate passed to be engrossed.

Resolve read once; to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill, an act to incorporate the City of Brunswick.

This bill came from the Senate, that branch having rejected amendments A and B, and then indefinitely postponing the bill.

The House insisted on its vote passing this bill as amended to be engrossed, proposed a conference of the two Houses of the Legislature, and appointed Messrs. Boody of Brunswick, Johnson of Augusta, and Hagar of Richmond, as Conferences on the part of the House.

Bill, an act additional to an act to change Gorham Academy to a Female Seminary, approved August 20th, A. D. 1850, came from the Senate passed to be engrossed.

Read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill, an act to repeal the act incorporating the town of Elliotsville.

This bill came from the Senate, that branch having receded from its former vote, amended amendment B as per sheet C, and then passing the bill to be engrossed.

The House receded from its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, adopted amendment C, in concurrence, and as amended, passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence. Resolve for the repair of the bridge over the Mattawamkeag river in township No. 1, range 2, in the county of Aroostook.

This resolve came from the Senate amended as per sheet A annexed, and as amended, passed to be engrossed.

The House voted to insist in the vote whereby it passed the resolve to be engrossed, and proposed a conference of the two Houses, and appointed Messrs. Spooner of New Portland, Woodbury of Houlton, and Libbey of Molunkus, Conferences on the part of the House.

Resolve in favor of Benjamin York. Laid on the table by Mr. Chadbourne of Dixmont, rules suspended, read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill, an act to repeal an act entitled an act to make valid the proceedings of School Districts No. 3 and 6 in Dresden;

Bill, an act additional to chapter 3d of the Revised Statutes.

The above bills were severally read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of each.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill, entitled an act additional to an act to incorporate the Maine State Seminary, approved March 16, 1855, reporting the bill in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill, an act amending section 20 of chapter 80 of the Revised Statutes, relating to Sheriffs;

Bill, an act to change the names of certain persons.

The above bills having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Resolve for the repair of road in Letter B, R. 1, came from the Senate amended as per sheet A

Resolve relating to the report of Albert T. Wheelock.

The foregoing resolves having each had two readings, and reported

by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill, an act to repeal section 22 of chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes, relating to paupers, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House receded from its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, and postponed it indefinitely, in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Woodville, Pattagumpus and Nickatow plantations, for support of schools. Laid on the table by Mr. RANNEY of Winn, and under the rule lies over until to-morrow.

Bill, an act to encourage the settlement of the public lands. Laid on the table by Mr. GILBERT of Bath.

Rules suspended, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to procure a corrected map of the State, was read twice, and on motion of Mr. FRENCH of Damariscotta, was indefinitely postponed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in relation to settling accounts with Penobscot and Passamaquoddy Indians;

Resolve in aid of the heirs of Benjamin Lowell and Lydia Lowell; Resolve to promote the education of the Penobscot Indians;

Resolve in favor of Phillis Russell;

Resolve for the repair of roads and bridges in the county of Aroostook;

Resolve for the repair of the road on Indian township.

The above resolves having each had two several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the Penobscot Indians, was read twice, and on motion of Mr. STRICKLAND of Bangor, it was laid on the table.

Mr. MARSHALL, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on bill, entitled an act additional to an act incorporating the Lewiston Institution for Savings, reported the bill, and that it ought to pass.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill, an act amending chapter 66 of the Revised Statutes, relating to insolvent estates;

Bill, an act to incorporate the town of Somerville, amended as per sheet A, in concurrence.

The above bills having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes, came from the Senate recommitted to the Committee on Education.

Recommitted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing vote between the two Houses on bill, an act to incorporate the Bangor Mutual Fire Insurance Company, recommending the amending of the bill as per sheet A.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted and the bill amended as per sheet A, and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Amendment A adopted, and as amended, the bill was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary, requesting the House to return to the Senate the resolve providing for the payment of Additional Roll of Accounts No. 38.

The House ordered the resolve to be returned to the Senate, and the Clerk was charged with a message to that branch to that effect, and conveyed it.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 10 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the militia.

This being on its passage to be enacted, having been passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, Mr. HANSON of Gardiner, moved that the question be taken by yeas and nays. The House refused to so order, and the bill was refused a passage, yeas 57, nays 67, and the bill was sent to the Senate.

Adjourned until half-past 2 P. M.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House this forenoon refused to pass to be enacted the bill relating to the militia. The motion was laid on the table, and 3 o'clock this afternoon assigned as the time for taking the vote on the motion.

Resolve in aid of building a bridge over the Flagstaff stream in the county of Somerset.

This resolve having had two several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act in relation to Trustees of Railroads;

Bill, an act to provide for the greater security of travelers and lodgers in inns during fires.

These bills having had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, were severally passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Sandy River Boom and Log Driving Company.

This bill came from the Senate, that branch having reconsidered the votes whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed, and amended the bill as per sheet A, and as amended, passed to be engrossed.

The House reconsidered the votes whereby it passed the bill to be enacted and whereby it passed it to be engrossed, amended the bill in concurrence, and as amended, passed it to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. WING, from the Committee composed of the Waldo Delegation, reported leave to withdraw on petition of the Judge of Probate for Waldo county for increase of salary.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act concerning Fish Wardens, was read three times, and on motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Arletta Brown, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. HAGAR of Richmond, it was laid on the table.

Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to procure a corrected map of the State.

Mr. BUXTON of Warren, moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House this forenoon indefinitely postponed the resolve. The motion was laid on the table, and to-morrow assigned for its consideration.

Report of the Committee on Division of Counties, on petition of Isaac Reed and others, of Lincoln county, to make Waldoborough a shire town of said county, was taken from the table and accepted in concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend section 23d, of chapter 39, of the Revised Statutes, respecting the mode of packing and marking paper.

This bill was amended as per sheet A, on motion of Mr. JOHN-SON of Augusta, and as amended, the bill having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. TAPLEY, from the Committee on Elections, reported that said Committee find and report as elected to this House, the following persons:

COUNTY C	OF A	NDROSCOGGIN.
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Auburn, Durham, East Livermore, Lisbon, Lewiston, Poland, Danville, Turner, Timothy Bailey. William D. Roak. Cyrus Knapp. George Plummer. Alcander Burbank. Thomas Lane. Daniel Field. Samuel B. Holt.

#### TUESDAY, MARCH 23.

# COUNTY OF ANDROSCOGGIN, (Continued.) Uriah Foss.

# COUNTY OF AROOSTOOK. Ebenezer Woodbur

Houlton, Fort Fairfield, Molunkus,

Leeds,

Ebenezer Woodbury. Stephen B. Pattee. Joseph Libby.

# COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND.

Portland, do. do. Brunswick. Westbrook, Gorham, Raymond, Otisfield, Sebago, Baldwin. Yarmouth, Freeport, Bridgton, North Yarmouth. Casco, Standish, Cumberland,

Farmington, Wilton, Madrid, Eustis plantation, Industry,

Nathaniel J. Miller. William V. Bowen. Llwellyn Deane. Henry H. Boody. Sewall Brackett. Joshua E. Hall. Zachariah L. Whitney. William C. Smith. Stephen R. Porter. Christopher D. Sawyer. Samuel Bucknam. Micah Stockbridge. Darwin Ingalls. Silas Skillin. Potter J. Mayberry. Henry M. Chadbourne. Benjamin Rideout.

### COUNTY OF FRANKLIN.

John B. Morrison. Hammon Brown. Isaiah Chick. James Parsons. Albert Shaw.

#### COUNTY OF HANCOCK.

Bucksport, Brooksville, Brookline, Dedham, Ellsworth, Sullivan, Eden, Theodore C. Woodman. William Wasson. John O. Sargent. John L. Parker. John L. Moor. John U. Hill. Danforth P. Marcyes.

COUNTY OF H	ANCOCK, (Continued.)				
Greenfield,	Benjamin C. Wheeler.				
Deer Isle,	William Babbidge.				
COUNTY OF KENNEBEC.					
Augusta,	James A. Bicknell.				
do.	William T. Johnson.				
Hallowell,	Eliphalet Rowell.				
Gardiner,	John W. Hanson.				
Waterville,	Josiah H. Drummond, speaker.				
Vassalborough,	Henry Weeks.				
Windsor,	Stephen Barton.				
Winslow,	Robert R. Drummond.				
Pittston,	Alphonso H. Clark.				
Sidney,	James Shearman.				
Readfield,	Elisha S. Case.				
Litchfield,	Benjamin Smith.				
Wayne,	Arcadius Pettengill.				
Albion,	William H. Palmer.				
COUNTY OF LINCOLN.					
Newcastle,	Edwin Flye.				
Thomaston,	Robert Walsh.				
Whitefield,	Abiel Longfellow.				
Damariscotta,	Ezra B. French.				
Bristol,	Ambrose A. Jones.				
Boothbay,	Charles B. Fisher.				
Rockland,	Davis Tillson.				
St. George,	Samuel Trussell.				
Warren,	Benjamin F. Buxton.				
Edgecomb,	John Cunningham.				
Washington,	Jeremiah Mitchell.				
Waldoborough,	John Balch.				
COUNTY OF OXFORD.					
Woodstock,	Albert H. Estes.				
Waterford,	Josiah S. Hobbs.				
Brownfield, Milton plantation,	Eli B. Bean. Charles Dunn.				

Ira C. Kimball.

Charles A. Kimball.

Brownfield, Milton plantation, Bethel, Rumford,

### TUESDAY, MARCH 23.

	COUNTY OF OXFORD, (Continued.)			
Dixfield,	Calvin Stanley.			
Oxford,	Benajah Pratt, Jr.			
Lovell,	Joseph Tibbets.			
	COUNTY OF PENOBSCOT.			
Bangor,	Samuel P. Strickland.			
do.	Henry E. Prentiss.			
Oldtown,	Moses Buck.			
Orrington,	Ephraim Goodale, Jr.			
Corinna,	Enoch Bunker.			
Hermon,	John Maddocks.			
Hampden,	Warren W. Rice.			
Dixmont,	Sumner J. Chadbourne.			
Stetson,	John Rogers.			
Orono,	Gideon Mayo.			
Clifton,	Thomas Parkes.			
Winn,	Thomas S. Ranney.			
No. 7, R. 3,	John Judkins.			
Exeter,	Joshua Palmer.			
Kenduskeag,	Timothy P. Batchelder.			
Lowell,	Joseph Porter.			
Bradford,	Thomas R. Kingsbury.			
	COUNTY OF PISCATAQUIS.			
Guilford,	Charles Loring.			
Atkinson,	Russ A. Snow.			
Williamsburg,	Adams H. Merrill.			
Parkman,	Jesse Nutting.			
,	COUNTY OF SAGADAHOC.			
Bath,	Washington Gilbert.			
Georgetown,	Reuben Oliver.			
Richmond,	James Hagar.			
Woolwich,	John Percy.			
Bowdoinham,	Charles P. Quint.			
COUNTY OF SUMERSET.				
Fairfield,	Ebenezer Davis.			
Skowhegan,	Samuel D. Arnold.			
St Albans,	Thomas Skinner.			
Palmyra,	Samuel Clement.			
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#### COUNTY OF SOMERSET, (Continued.)

Norridgewock, Athens, Madison, New Portland, No. 2, Pleasant Ridge, Marshall P. Hale. George A. Kimball. • Joseph Sally Abram Spooner. Asa Andrews.

## COUNTY OF WALDO.

Belfast, Frankfort, Waldo, Northport, Camden, Freedom, Islesborough, Jackson, Searsmont, Searsport, Appleton, Troy,

Calais.

Steuben.

Charlotte.

Pembroke, • Eastport,

Topsfield,

Columbia.

Lubec, Machiasport,

Wesley,

DF WALDO.
Thomas H. Marshall.
Eben F. Blaisdell.
Samuel Kingsbury.
Daniel A. Wadlin.
Seth L. Milliken.
Benjamin Fuller.
Nelson Gilkey.
Benjamin York.
Hiram Wing.
Jeremiah Merrithew.
William B. Conant.
Alonzo B. Shaw.

### COUNTY OF WASHINGTON.

Frederic A. Pike. Daniel L. Leighton. Thomas McGlaufin. Zadock L. Hersey. Humphrey Pike. John B. Pike. Albert Keene. Taft Comstock. Charles E. Libby. Benjamin R. Rackliff.

### COUNTY OF YORK.

Biddeford, Saco, Buxton, Kennebunkport, Shapleigh, Lyman, Kennebunk, Ezreff H. Banks. R. P. Tapley. Joseph Davis. Albert Perkins. James Coffin. Hiram Waterhouse. Henry Kingsbury.

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	COUNTY	OF	YORK, (Continued.)
North Berwick,			John Hall, 2d.
Lebanon,			Levi Cowell.
Parsonsfield,	1		Luther Sanborn.
York,			William H. Sweat.
Wells,			Edwin Clark.
Kittery,			Daniel Pierce.
South Berwick,			Benjamin F. Parks.
Limington,	. *		Moses E. Sweat.
Limerick,			Luther S. Moore.
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The report was accepted.

Bill, an act to establish salaries for County Commissioners, amendment B of the Senate concurred in, Senate amendment A amended as per sheet C, and bill and amendment laid on the table by Mr. HALL of Gorham.

At the hour assigned for the vote on Mr. JOHNSON'S motion, the House proceeded to the vote. Mr. FRENCH of Damariscotta, moved, and the House ordered, that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the House refused to reconsider its vote refusing to pass the bill, by yeas 58, nays 67, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Andrews, Balch, Banks, Batchelder, Bean, Brackett, Buck, Bucknam, Burbank, Buxton, A. H. Clark, Cunningham, Coffin, J. H. Drummond, Fisher, Foss, French, Goodale, Hagar, J. Hall, Hobbs, Ingalls, Jones, Judkins, Keene, S. Kingsbury, T. R. Kingsbury, Knapp, Lane, J. Libbey, Maddox, Marshall, Mayberry, Milliken, Nutting, J. Palmer, T. Parkes, Pierce, H. Pike, J. Porter, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Prentiss, Ranney, Rice, Rideout, Sawyer, A. Shaw, Skillin, Spooner, Stockbridge, M. E. Sweat, W. H. Sweat, Tapley, Tibbetts, Tillson, Trussell, Whitney.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Arnold, Bailey, Barton, Bicknell, Blaisdell, Boody, Bowen, Brown, Bunker, Case, S. J. Chadbourne, Chick, Clement, E. Davis, J. Davis, R. R. Drummond, Dunn, Estes, Field, Fuller, Gilbert, Gilkey, J. E. Hall, Hanson, Hale, Hersey, Hill, Holt, Johnson, I. C. Kimball, Leighton, C. E. Libbey, Longfellow, Loring, Marcyes, Merrithew, Merrill, Miller, Oliver, Parker, Parsons, Pattee, Percy, Perkins, Pettengill, F. A. Pike, Plummer, Rackliffe, Roak, Rogers, Sanborn, Sargent, Skinner, B. Smith, W. C. Smith, Snow, Stanley, Strickland, Wadlin, Walsh, Wasson, Waterhouse, Weeks, Wheeler, Wing, Woodman.

The resolve was sent to the Senate.

Bill, an act to establish the office of Auditor of Accounts, was taken up, considered, and on motion of Mr. BUCK of Oldtown, laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. MILLIKEN of Camden, the vacancy existing in the Committee on the Liquor Law was filled, and Mr. FRENCH of Damariscotta, was appointed on said Committee.

Report of the Committee on Finance, granting leave to withdraw on petition of Z. H. Spinney and others, was accepted in concurrence.

Bill, an act in relation to the pay of Fish Wardens, laid on the table by Mr. PORTER of Lowell, and under the rule lies over until to-morrow.

Bill, an act relating to fines and costs in criminal prosecutions.

This bill having had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was, on motion of Mr. FRENCH of Damariscotta, amended as per sheet A. Mr. ROW-ELL of Hallowell, moved that the bill be referred to the next Legislature, and on this motion the House ordered the yeas and nays, and being taken, the motion was rejected, by yeas 42, nays 85, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Bailey, Balch, Batchelder, Bunker, Buxton, H. M. Chadbourne, S. J. Chadbourne, Cunningham, Deane, Foss, Goodale, Ingalls, Keene, T. R. Kingsbury, Knapp, C. E. Libbey, Maddox, Mitchell, L. S. Moore, J. Palmer, Pattee, Pierce, H. Pike, J. B. Pike, Plummer, J. Porter, Prentiss, Rice, Rideout, Roak, Rogers, Rowell, Skillin, Spooner, Stockbridge, W. H. Sweat, Tibbetts, Trussell, Wheeler, Whitney, Woodbury, York. Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Andrews, Arnold, Banks, Bean, Bicknell, Blaisdell, Boody, Bowen, Brackett, Brown, Buck, Bucknam, Burbank, Case, Chick, A. H. Clark, Clement, Coffin, Conant, E. Davis, J. Davis, J. H. Drummond, R. R. Drummond, Dunn, Estes, Field, Fisher, Flye, French, Fuller, Gilkey, Hagar, J. Hall, Hanson, Hale, Hersey, Hill, Hobbs, Holt, Johnson, Jones, Judkins, C. A. Kimball, S. Kingsbury, Lane, Leighton, Longfellow, Loring, Marcyes, Marshall, Merrithew, Merrill, Miller, Milliken, Morrison, Nutting, Parker, T. Parkes, Parsons, Perkins, Pettengill, F. A. Pike, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Rackliff, Ranney, Sally, Sanborn, Sargent, A. Shaw, Skinner, B. Smith, W. C. Smith, Snow, Stanley, Strickland, Tapley, Tillson, Wadlin, Walsh, Wasson, Waterhouse, Weeks, Wing, Woodman.

The question then recurred on the passage of the bill to be engrossed, and on this question the House ordered the yeas and nays, and being taken, the bill was passed to be engrossed, by yeas 83, nays 43, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Andrews, Arnold, Banks, Bean, Bicknell, Blaisdell, Boody, Bowen, Brackett, Brown, Buck, Bucknam, Burbank, Case, Chick, A. H. Clark, Clement, Coffin, Conant, E. Davis, J. Davis, J. H. Drummond, R. R. Drummond, Dunn, Estes, Field, Fisher, Flye, French, Fuller, Gilkey, Hagar, J. Hall, Hanson, Hale, Hersey, Hill, Hobbs, Johnson, Jones, Judkins, C. A. Kimball, S. Kingsbury, Lane, Leighton, Longfellow, Loring, Marcyes, Marshall, Merrithew, Merrill, Miller, Milliken, Morrison, Nutting, Parker, Parsons, Perkins, Pettengill, F. A. Pike, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Rackliff, Ranney, Sally, Sanborn, Sargent, A. Shaw, Skinner, B. Smith, W. C. Smith, Snow, Stanley, Strickland, Tapley, Tillson, Wadlin, Walsh, Wasson, Waterhouse, Weeks, Wing, Woodman.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Bailey, Balch, Batchelder, Bunker, Buxton, H. M. Chadbourne, S. J. Chadbourne, Cunningham, Deane, Foss, Goodale, Ingalls, Keene, T. R. Kingsbury, Knapp, C. E. Libbey, Maddox, Mitchell, L. S. Moore, J. Palmer, T. Parkes, Pattee, Pierce, H. Pike, J. B. Pike, Plummer, J. Porter, Prentiss, Rice, Rideout, Roak, Rogers, Rowell, Skillin, Spooner, Stockbridge, W. H. Sweat, Tibbetts, Trussell, Wheeler, Whitney, Woodbury, York.

And the bill was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. MOORE of Hallowell.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Insolvent Law, reporting a bill, entitled an act for the relief of insolvent debtors.

This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the bill refused a passage to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence, and on motion of Mr. JOHN-SON of Augusta, the bill was referred to the next Legislature.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on so much of the Governor's message as refers to the sale and settlement of the public lands, also on memorial of the State Agricultural Society, and on sundry petitions, reporting a bill, entitled an act to aid the Aroostook Railroad, increase the value and promote the sale and settlement of the public lands. Also, reporting resolves providing for an amendment of the Constitution respecting a loan of the credit of the State and the amount of its indebtedness.

This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the bill refused a passage to be engrossed, and the resolves having also been refused a passage to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice, resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bill and the second reading of the resolve.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of George K. Jewett and others, reported a bill, entitled an act to incorporate the Aroostock Railroad Company.

This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bill.

Bill, an act relating to protests of bills of exchange; Bill, an act in relation to the pay of fish wardens; Were severally read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of each.

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Judiciary Committee, on bill, entitled an act additional to chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes, requiring school district agents to give bonds, reported the bill and that it ought not to pass;

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on bill, an act entitled an act in relation to costs in criminal prosecutions before magistrates, reported the bill, and that it ought not to pass;

The same gentleman also reported leave to withdraw on petition of the Selectmen of the town of Webster, in relation to town records;

The same gentleman, on bill, an act relating to costs in civil cases, reported the bill, and that it ought not to pass;

The same gentleman, on bill, an act additional to an act to incorporate the city of Gardiner, reporting the bill, and that it ought not to pass;

The same gentleman, on order relating to alteration of section 13, chapter 18, of the Revised Statutes, reported legislation inexpedient.

The foregoing reports were severally read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes, respecting unincorporated townships;

Resolve in favor of Benjamin York.

The foregoing bill having had three several readings, and the resolve having had two readings, and each reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Oren Currier, came from the Senate passed to be engrossed.

Read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee of Conference, on the disagreeing vote between the two Houses on bill, an act additional the chapter 12 of the Revised Statutes, relating to parishes and religious societies, reporting the bill in a new draft, and that it ought to pass. This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Rules suspended; bill read three several times, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Joint Select Committee, which was directed to ascertain and report when the Legislature may adjourn, was taken up and amended by striking out "Tuesday, 23d," and inserting instead "Friday, the 26," and as amended, the report was rejected.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. FRENCH of Damariscotta,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Pay Roll be instructed to make up the pay of the members and officers of this House up to and including Monday next.

Report of Conferees on disagreeing vote of the two Houses on resolve in favor of William Jameson and others, and Samuel A. Gilman and others, reporting that the resolve ought to pass, and recommending to the House to recede and concur with the Senate.

Report accepted. The House receded from the vote whereby it indefinitely postponed the resolve, and passed it to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve relating to valuation of Unity plantation and town of Albion. Laid on the table by Mr. PIKE of Calais.

Rules suspended, resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act in relation to the distribution of school money in Gardiner. Laid on the table by Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport.

Rules suspended, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill, an act additional to an act to incorporate the Lewiston Institution for Savings, was read three several times, reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrénce.

Resolve in favor of Rufus Dwinel, Daniel W. Bradley, and Har-

rison Knowles, was read twice, reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

The vacancy existing in the Committee on Engrossed Bills, caused by the absence of Mr. Clark of Wells, was filled by the appointment of Mr. CHADBOURNE of Dixmont.

Resolve relating to the publication of the Private and Special Laws of Maine.

This resolve was read twice. Mr. KNAPP of East Livermore, moved the indefinite postponement of the resolve, and on this question the House ordered the yeas and nays, and being taken, the resolve was indefinitely postponed, by yeas 76, nays 33, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Bailey, Banks, Blaisdell, Boody, Bowen, Brackett, Brown, Bucknam, Bunker, S. J. Chadbourne, Chick, Clement, Coffin, Conant, E. Davis, R. R. Drummond, Field, Fuller, Gilbert, Gilkey, Hagar, J. E. Hall, Hersey, Hill, Ingalls, Johnson, G. A. Kimball, H. Kingsbury, S. Kingsbury, Knapp, Leighton, C. E. Libbey, J. Libbey, Longfellow, Loring, Maddox, Marcyes, Marshall, Merrithew, Merrill, Miller, Nutting, Oliver, Parker, Percy, Perkins, Pettingill, Pierce, F. A. Pike, J. B. Pike, Plummer, Quint, Roak, Rowell, Sanborn, Sargent, Sawyer, A. Shaw, A. B. Shaw, Shearman, Skillin, Skinner, B. Smith, W. C. Smith, Spooner, Stockbridge, M. E. Sweat, W. H. Sweat, Wadlin, Wasson, Waterhouse, Weeks, Wheeler, Woodbury, Woodman.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Bean, Bicknell, Burbank, Deane, J. H. Drummond, Estes, Fisher, Foss, French, Goodale, Hanson, Hale, Hobbs, Holt, Jones, Judkins, C. A. Kimball, I. C. Kimball, T. R. Kingsbury, Milliken, T. Parkes, Pattee, J. Porter, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Prentiss, Rackliff, Ranney, Rice, Snow, Stanley, Strickland, Tillson.

And the resolve was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order from the Senate.

Ordered, The House of Representatives concurring, that the Legislature adjourn sine die, on Monday the 29th instant, came from the Senate, having been read and passed.

Read and passed in concurrence.

Bill, an act additional to an act to change the Gorham Academy to a Female Seminary, approved August 20th, 1850.

This bill having had three several readings, and amended as per sheet A, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was as amended passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned to half-past 2 o'clock, P. M.

Mr. PRENTISS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill, an act additional to an act approved February 17, 1858, altering the time for holding the May Term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the county of Lincoln, reported the bill and that it ought to pass.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill, an act in relation to the pay of Fish Wardens.

On motion of Mr. PORTER of Lowell, the House reconsidered the vote whereby it assigned to-morrow for the third reading of the bill, and it was read the third time, reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

The motion made by Mr. HANSON to reconsider the vote whereby the House passed to be engrossed a resolve in favor of Limerick Academy, was taken up, and on this question the House ordered the yeas and nays, and being taken, the House refused to reconsider its vote, by yeas 57, nays 66, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Bailey, Bean, Blaisdell, Boody, S. J. Chadbourne, Clement, Conant, E. Davis, Deane, J. H. Drummond, R. R. Drummond, Field, Fisher, Flye, French, Gilbert, Gilkey, Goodale, Hanson, Hersey, Hill, Hobbs, Holt, Jones, C. A. Kimball, I. C. Kimball, S. Kingsbury, Knapp, Lane, Leighton, Longfellow, Marcyes, Marshall, Merrithew, Merrill, Oliver, Parker, T. Parkes, Percy, Pettingill, F. A. Pike, Plummer, Prentiss, Quint, Rackliff, Roak, Rowell, Sargent, Stanley, Stockbridge, Strickland, Walsh, Wasson, Weeks, Wheeler, Wing, Woodman.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Andrews, Balch, Banks, Barton, Batchelder, Bicknell, Bowen, Brown, Buck, Bucknam, Bunker, Burbank, Buxton, Case, H. M. Chadbourne, A. H. Clark, Cunningham, J. Davis, Estes, Foss, Hagar, J. Hall, Hale, Ingalls, Johnson, Judkins, Keene, G. A. Kimball, H. Kingsbury, T. R. Kingsbury, C. E. Libbey, J. Libbey, Loring, Maddox, Miller, L. S. Moore, Nutting, J. Palmer, W. H. Palmer, Pattee, Perkins, Pierce, H. Pike, J. Porter, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Ranney, Rideout, Rogers, Sally, Sanborn, Sawyer, A. Shaw, A. B. Shaw, Shearman, Skillin, B. Smith, Spooner, M. E. Sweat, W. H. Sweat, Tapley, Tibbetts, Tillson, Trussell, Waterhouse, York.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 67 of the Revised Statutes, relating to guardians;

Bill, an act to incorporate the town of Somerville;

Bill, an act to amend chapter 66 of the Revised Statutes;

Bill, an act to amend sections 50 and 54, of chapter 47, of the Revised Statutes, relating to banks and banking;

Resolve for the repair of road in Letter B, Range 1.

Resolve relating to the Report of Albert T. Wheelock.

The above bills having each had three several readings, and the resolves having each had two several readings, and each passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were severally passed to be enacted, the resolves severally finally passed, and the bills and resolves were signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

The majority and minority reports of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of Isaac Sturdivant, were taken up and referred to the next Legislature.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act relating to reviews.

This bill was read three times, and on motion of Mr. WOOD-MAN of Bucksport, was amended as per sheet A, and as amended, and having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve relating to county estimates, was read the second time, and recommitted to the Committee on County Estimates.

Mr. RICE, from the Joint Select Committee to which was referred the petition of David Brown and others, in relation to litigation and the judiciary, reported reference to the next Legislature.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. PIKE, from the Committee on Finance, on order in relation to laying a State tax, reported a bill, entitled an act for the assessment of a State tax for the year 1858, amounting to \$200,919.30.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Petition of Selectmen of Fayette, in relation the will of Phillip Davis, presented by Mr. JUDKINS, of No. 7. Referred to the next Legislature.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve to transfer the location of Calais Academy grant.

This resolve, having had two readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the temporary clerks in the office of the Secretary of State. Laid on the table by Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, and under the rule lies over until to-morrow.

Resolve in favor of Francis Cook. Laid on the table by Mr. BUXTON of Warren.

Rules suspended, read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill, an act to repeal an act entitled an act to make valid the proceedings in School Districts Nos. 3 and 6 in Dresden, was taken up, read three times, and on motion of Mr. PORTER of Sebago, it was indefinitely postponed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

### THURSDAY, MARCH 25, 1858.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. YOUNG of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting finally and asking to be discharged, came from the Senate having been read and accepted.

Read and accepted, in concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend section 23, of chapter 39, of the Revised Statutes, respecting the mode of packing and marking paper.

This bill came from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House voted to insist on the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed, proposed a Conference of the two Houses of the Legislature, and appointed Messrs. Brackett of Westbrook, Johnson of Augusta, and Rice of Hampden, Conferences on the part of the House.

Bill, an act to amend section 11, of chapter 6, of the Revised Statutes, relating to taxes, came from the Senate amended as per sheet A, and, as amended, indefinitely postponed.

The House reconsidered the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed, adopted the amendment of the Senate, and indefinitely postponed the bill, in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the temporary clerks employed in the office of the Secretary of State, was taken up, rules suspended, read twice, reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be requested to furnish, for the use of the House, a list of the acts and resolves that have passed the Legislature at the present session.

Read and passed.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Bangor Mutual Fire Insurance Company;

Bill, an act to change the names of certain persons;

Bill, an act to repeal the act incorporating the town of Elliotsville;

Bill, an act to incorporate the Sandy River Boom and Log Driving Company;

Bill, an act additional to chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes relating to the Reform School;

Bill, an act additional to chapter 12 of the Revised Statutes, relating to parishes and religious societies;

Resolve in favor of William Jameson and others and Samuel A. Gilman and others.

Resolve to promote the education of the Penobscot Indians.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and the resolves having each had two several readings, and bills and resolves having each been passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were severally passed to be enacted, the resolves severally finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

A communication was received from the Land Agent, in accordance with an order which passed the House on March 9th, relating to permits granted for more than a year, and on motion of Mr. SPOONER of New Portland, it was laid on the table, and 3t copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Bill, an act for the assessment of a State tax, for the year 1858, amounting to \$200,919.30;

Bill, an act relating to the distribution of school money in Gardiner;

Resolve in favor of Francis Cook.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and the resolve having had two readings, and bills and resolve reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Oren Currier, was read the second time, re-28 ported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill, an act to establish the County of Madawaska, was read the third time, and referred to the next Legislature, in concurrence.

Bill, an act amending section 20, of chapter 80, of the Revised Statutes, relating to sheriffs;

Resolve in favor of Madawaska, Hancock and Van Buren plantations;

Resolve relating to the compensation of the Commissioner at Washington.

The foregoing bill having had three several readings, and the resolves having each had two several readings, and bill and resolves passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bill was passed to be enacted, the resolves finally passed, and the bills and resolves were signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on State Prison, on so much of the Governor's message as relates to the State Prison, reporting a resolve providing for an investigation into the affairs of the State Prison. Also reporting a resolve in favor of the State Prison.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the resolves passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted. Resolves read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Bill, an act to aid the Aroostook Railroad Company, increase the value and promote the sale and settlement of the public lands;

Resolve providing for an amendment of the Constitution respecting a loan of the credit of the State and the amount of its indebtedness.

The foregoing bill was read three times, and the resolve was read twice, and the House refused to pass the bill to be engrossed, and refused to pass the resolve to be engrossed. Mr. DEANE of Portland, moved to reconsider the votes whereby the House refused to pass the bill and resolve to be engrossed, and the motion was laid on the table and 3 o'clock this afternoon assigned for its consideration. Bill, an act additional to an act approved February 17, 1858, altering the time for holding the May Term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the county of Lincoln, was read the third time, and on motion of Mr. TAPLEY of Saco, was laid on the table.

Resolve in favor of the Penobscot Indians;

Bill, an act relating to the protests of bills of exchange.

The above resolve having had two several readings, and the bill having had three readings, and bill and resolve reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, they were severally passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act for the suppression of drinking houses and tippling shops.

The above bill having had three several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Arcostook Railroad Company.

On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, the House reconsidered the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed, and laid the bill on the table.

Resolve in favor of Corinna Union Academy, was read twice, amended as per sheet A, and being on its passage to be engrossed, the House ordered the question to be taken by yeas and nays, and being taken, the resolve as amended, was passed to be engrossed by yeas 66, nays 52, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Balch, Banks, Batchelder, Bicknell, Brackett, Buck, Bunker, Burbank, Buxton, Case, Chick, A. H. Clark, Cunningham, Coffin, Estes, Flye, Foss, Goodale, Hagar, Hanson, Hale, Johnson, Judkins, Keene, G. A. Kimball, C. E. Libbey, J. Libbey, Loring, Maddox, Merrill, L. S. Moore, Nutting, Oliver, J. Palmer, W. H. Palmer, Pattee, Perkins, Pierce, H. Pike, J. Porter, Rackliff, Ranney, Rice, Rideout, Rogers, Sally, Sanborn, Sawyer, A. Shaw, Shearman, Skillin, Skinner, B. Smith, Snow, Spooner, Strickland, M. E. Sweat, W. H. Sweat, Tapley, Tibbetts, Trussell, Walsh, Waterhouse, Weeks, Wheeler, Woodbury.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Bailey, Bean, Blaisdell, Boody, Bowen, Brown, Bucknam, S. J. Chadbourne, Clement, Conant, J. H. Drummond, R. R. Drummond, Dunn, Field, Fisher, Fuller, Gilkey, J. Hall, J. E. Hall, Hersey, Hill, Hobbs, Holt, Jones, I. C. Kimball, S. Kingsbury, Knapp, Leighton, Longfellow, Marcyes, Marshall, Merrithew, Morrison, Parker, T. Parkes, Percy, Pettingill, F. A. Pike, Plummer, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Quint, Roak, Sargent, W. C. Smith, Stanley, Stockbridge, Wadlin, Wasson, Whitney, Wing, Woodman.

Bill, an act to incorporate the town of Presque Isle, came from the Senate, that branch having voted to adhere to the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed.

The House voted to adhere to the vote whereby it amended the bill and passed it to be engrossed.

Bill, an act to incorporate the Aroostook Railroad Company, was taken from the table, amended as per sheet A, on motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta;

Bill, an act additional to an act approved February 17, 1858, altering the time for holding the May Term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the county of Lincoln;

Resolve for the repair of Mattawamkeag bridge, in the county of Penobscot.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and the resolve having had two readings, and each reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, they were severally passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

<sup>•</sup>Resolve in favor of Rufus Dwinel. Laid on the table by Mr. STRICKLAND of Bangor;

Resolve in favor of the several Colleges, Academies and Literary Institutions of this State;

Resolve in favor of Westbrook Seminary;

Bill, an act to amend chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the salaries of public officers. Laid on the table by Mr. BOODY of Brunswick, The rules were suspended, the foregoing resolves read once, and the bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the second reading of the resolves, and the third reading of the bill.

Adjourned to afternoon.

Met according to adjournment.

Bill, an act regulating the taxation of costs, additional to chapter 116 of the Revised Statutes, reported in the Senate by the Committee on the Judiciary.

Rules suspended, bill read three times, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes, relating to proceedings in court.

This bill came from the Senate amended as per sheets A and B, and as amended, passed to be engrossed.

The House amended the bill as per sheet C, and on motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of plantations, was read twice, and on motion of Mr. SNOW of Atkinson, the resolve was indefinitely postponed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act for the relief of insolvent debtors.

Mr. BOWEN of Portland, moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House on yesterday voted to refer this bill to the next Legislature. The House refused to reconsider its vote.

Resolve in aid of building a bridge over the Flagstaff stream in the county of Somerset;

Resolve in favor of Phillis Russell;

Resolve for the repair of the road on Indian township;

Resolve for the repair of roads and bridges in the county of Aroostook ;

Resolve in favor of Rufus Dwinel, Daniel W. Bradley and Harrison Knowles;

Resolve in favor of Oren Currier;

Resolve for the payment of Additional Roll of Accounts No. 38. The above resolves having each had two several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, were severally finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill, an act to aid the Aroostook Railroad Company, and increase the value, and promote the sale and settlement of the public lands;

Resolves providing for an amendment of the Constitution respecting a loan of the credit of the State and the amount of its indebtedness.

The above bill and resolves were taken up, considered, and on motion of Mr. BUCK of Oldtown, were laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. TAPLEY of Saco,

Ordered, That there be printed under the direction and control of the Clerk, five hundred copies of the Journal of this House. Each member of this House and of the Senate, shall be entitled to receive one copy of the same; one copy shall be distributed to each member of the next House of Representatives and of the Senate on the first day of the session thereof; the remaining copies shall be deposited in the State Library for the use of the State.

Read and passed.

Resolve in favor of East Maine Conference Seminary. Laid on the table by Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, and under the rule lies over until to-morrow.

Mr. MORRISON, from the Committee on County Estimates, to which was recommitted the estimates of the several counties, reported a resolve relating to County Estimates.

Report accepted. Resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Resolve in favor of the Bath Female Seminary. Laid on the table by Mr. GILBERT of Bath.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on petition of the Directors of the Gardiner Bank, having once before reported leave to withdraw, and to which said report was recommitted, on further evidences reported a bill, entitled an act to reduce the capital stock of the Gardiner Bank.

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This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill, an act for the suppression of certain common nuisances, was read three times, amended as per sheets A and B, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to create and establish the office of Auditor in each of the several counties of this State, was amended as per shcets A and B, and laid on the table.

Adjourned.

ATTEST:

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

#### FRIDAY, MARCH 26, 1858.

No chaplain present.

Report of the Committee on Accounts, on claim of the Treasurer of the town of Eastbrook, came from the Senate referred to the next Legislature.

Referred in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais,

Ordered, That the roll be called at 10 o'clock, and each member inquired of whether he will remain in attendance until Monday.

Read and passed.

Bill, an act to repeal an act to incorporate the town of Islandport, came from the Senate amended as per sheet A, and as amended, passed to be engrossed.

The House receded from its vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed, amended the bill in concurrence, and as amended, passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes, came from the Senate amended as per sheet A, and as amended, indefinitely postponed.

The House concurred in the indefinite postponement of the bill.

Bill, an act establishing the time for holding the annual sessions of the Supreme Judicial Court as a court of law.

This bill came from the Senate passed to be engrossed. Rules suspended, bill read three times, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill, an act to reduce the capital stock of the Gardiner Bank;

Bill, an act additional to an act incorporating the Proprietors of the Gardiner and Pittston Bridge, came from the Senate amended as per sheets B and C.

The House amended the bill in concurrence.

The above bills having each had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Bill, an act additional to chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes, was read three times, and indefinitely postponed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend section 23d of chapter 39 of the Revised Statutes, respecting the mode of packing and marking paper, came from the Senate, that branch having voted to adhere to the vote whereby it indefinitely postponed the bill.

The House voted to adhere to the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed.

The bill was sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of Henry Williams, reporting a bill, entitled an act to amend the charter of the Augusta Water Power Company.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the bill amended as per sheet A, and indefinitely postponed.

Report accepted in concurrence, and on motion of Mr. JOHN-SON of Augusta, the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. FRENCH, from the Judiciary Committee, on order in relation to taxing rights to cut timber granted by Massachusetts; also, on order to inquire into the expediency of taxing townships and tracts the fee of which has passed from the State since 1850, reported a bill, entitled an act additional to chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to taxes.

Report accepted, rules suspended, bill read three times, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Upon the call of the roll under the order of Mr. PIKE, one hundred and eleven members answered to their names, saying that they would be in attendance until the day of adjournment.

On motion of Mr. BUXTON of Warren,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Pay Roll be directed to make up the pay of Louis O. Cowan, reporter for the legislative Journal, so as to make his pay the same as a member of this House.

Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. WHEELER of Greenfield,

Ordered, That B. C. Wheeler of Greenfield, be and is hereby ex-

cused from further attendance upon the House of Representatives, and the Treasurer of State is hereby instructed to pay said Wheeler all that may be due him, as made up by the Committee on the Pay Roll.

Read and passed.

Bill, an act to establish forms of proceedings which may be used in prosecutions under an act entitled an act for the suppression of drinking houses and tippling shops, approved March 25, 1858. Laid on the table by Mr. TAPLEY of Saco.

Rules suspended, bill read three times, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the State Prison, came from the Senate amended as per sheet A.

The House amended the amendment of the Senate as per sheet B, and as amended, passed the resolve to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. MORRISON, from the Committee on County Estimates, reported finally, and asked that said Committee be discharged from further service.

Report accepted.

On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Pay Roll be directed to make up the pay of William Wasson and J. O. Sargent, as members of this House, to and including Monday next, and that the Treasurer be requested to pay them the amount certified to be made up by the said Committee.

Read and passed.

A communication was received from John O. Sargent, resigning his seat in the Legislature from and after April 1st, 1858.

On motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, the Speaker was requested to notify the Selectmen of the towns of Penobscot, Sedgwick and Brookline, of the resignation of Mr. Sargent, those towns composing the district represented by Mr. Sargent.

Resolve in favor of East Maine Conference Seminary, was read twice, and being on its passage to be engrossed, the House ordered the question to be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the resolve was passed to be engrossed, by yeas 73, nays 36, as follows : Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Arnold, Bicknell, Boody, Brackett; Burbank, A. H. Clark, Cunningham, Conant, E. Davis, Deane, J. H. Drummond, R. R. Drummond, Estes, Fisher, Flye, Foss, French, Fuller, Gilbert, Gilkey, Goodale, Hagar, J. Hall, J. E. Hall, Hanson, Hersey, Hill, Hobbs, Ingalls, Johnson, Judkins, C. A. Kimball, T. R. Kingsbury, Longfellow, Loring, Marcyes, Marshall, Merrithew, Merrill, Miller, Milliken, L. S. Moore, Morrison, Oliver, J. Palmer, Parker, T. Parkes, Pattee, Percy, Perkins, Pettingill, Pierce, H. Pike, J. Porter, Prentiss, Rackliffe, Rice, Rogers, Sargent, Sawyer, A. B. Shaw, Skinner, B. Smith, Snow, W. H. Sweat, Tapley, Tibbetts, Tillson, Trussell, Wasson, Waterhouse, Woodbury, Woodman.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Bailey, Banks, Bean, Blaisdell, Brown, Buck, Bucknam, S. J. Chadbourne, Chick, Clement, Dunn, Field, Hale, Holt, Jones, G. A. Kimball, I. C. Kimball, S. Kingsbury, Lane, Leighton, C. E. Libbey, J. Libbey, Maddox, Nutting, Plummer, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Ranney, Rideout, Roak, Shearman, W. C. Smith, Stanley, Wadlin, Weeks, Wing, York.

And the resolve was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the salaries of public officers;

Resolve in favor of Rufus Dwinel.

The foregoing bill having had three several readings, and the resolve having had two readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act additional to an act entitled an act to authorize certain cities and towns to grant aid in the construction and completion of the Kennebec and Portland Railroad.

This bill was read three times, and referred to the next Legislature.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Stephen Barton. Laid on the table by Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta.

Rules suspended, resolve read twice, and on motion of Mr. BUR-BANK of Lewiston, it was indefinitely postponed.

Bill, an act additional to an act to change Gorham Academy to a Female Seminary, approved August 20th, 1850;

Bill, an act for the assessment of a State tax for the year 1858, amounting to \$200,919.30;

Bill, an act additional to an act to incorporate the Lewiston Institution for Savings;

Bill, an act relating to reviews;

Bill, an act relating to the taxation of costs, additional to chapter 116 of the Revised Statutes;

Bill, an act relating to the distribution of school money in Gardiner;

Bill, an act in relation to the pay of fish wardens;

Bill, an act additional to chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes, respecting unincorporated places;

Bill, an act relating to fines and costs of criminal prosecutions;

Resolve in relation to settling accounts with Penobscot and Passamaquoddy Indians;

Resolve relative to valuations of Unity plantation and town of Albion;

Resolve in favor of Penobscot Indians;

Resolve in favor of the heirs of Benjamin Lowell and Lydia Lowell;

Resolve in favor of Francis Cook.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and the resolves having each had two several readings, and bills and resolves having severally passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were severally passed to be enacted, the resolves were severally finally passed, and the bills and resolves were signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of Limerick Academy, came from the Senate amended as per sheet A, and as amended, passed to be engrossed.

The House voted to non-concur with the Senate in adopting amendment A, and also voted to insist on the vote whereby it passed the resolve to be engrossed, and the resolve was sent to the Senate. On motion of Mr. PIERCE of Kittery,

Ordered, That the petition of Ira B. Delano for relief from a note held by the State, and from losses by reason of the State taking his logs which he had paid for, be taken from the files for the year 1854 and referred to the Governor and Council.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. GILBERT of Bath,

Ordered, That the Joint Select Committee, to whom was referred a bill, entitled an act to provide for a State valuation, are hereby discharged from further services in that matter.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PRENTISS of Bangor,

Ordered, That when this House adjourn, it adjourn to meet this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Bill, an act to abolish punishment by death, was taken up, considered, and on motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, it was laid on the table and 2 1-2 o'clock this afternoon assigned for its consideration.

Resolve authorizing an examination of the mineral resources of the county of Piscataquis, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House receded and concurred with the Senate in the indefinite postponement of the resolve.

Bill, an act relating to suits against sheriffs and certain other officers, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House receded and concurred with the Senate in indefinitely postponing the bill.

Resolve to collect certain securities in the Land Office, was read twice, reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Westbrook Seminary, was read twice, reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and being on its passage to be engrossed, the House ordered the question to be taken by yeas and nays, and being taken, the resolve was passed to be engrossed by yeas 56, nays 50, as follows: Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Arnold, Bailey, Bicknell, Boody, Brackett, Buck, Bunker, Burbank, Buxton, H. M. Chadbourne, A. H. Clark, Deane, J. H. Drummond, Estes, Fisher, French, Fuller, Gilbert, Hagar, J. Hall, J. E. Hall, Hanson, Hale, Hersey, Hobbs, Ingalls, Johnson, Judkins, C. A. Kimball, J. Libbey, Longfellow, Loring, Merrithew, Merrill, Miller, Milliken, L. S. Moore, Morrison, J. Palmer, Parker, Pierce, H. Pike, J. Porter, Prentiss, Rice, Sawyer, B. Smith, W. C. Smith, Snow, Strickland, W. H. Sweat, Tapley, Tillson, Trussell, Walsh, Woodman.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Banks, Bean, Blaisdell, Brown, Bucknam, Case, S. J. Chadbourne, Chick, Clement, Conant, J. Davis, Dunn, Field, Foss, Gilkey, Goodale, Hill, G. A. Kimball, H. Kingsbury, S. Kingsbury, Knapp, Lane, C. E. Libbey, Maddox, Marshall, Nutting, Oliver, T. Parkes, Percy, Perkins, Pettengill, F. A. Pike, Plummer, S. R. Porter, Quint, Rackliff, Ranney, Rideout, Roak, Rogers, Rowell, A. Shaw, A. B. Shaw, Shearman, Stanley, Tibbetts, Wadlin, Weeks, Whitney, Wing.

Bill, an act additional to an act to incorporate the Maine State Seminary, approved March 16th, 1855;

Resolve providing for an investigation into the affairs of the State Prison.

The above bill was read three times, and the resolve was read twice, and each reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the several Colleges, Academies and Literary Institutions of this State, was read twice, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on resolve in favor of Joseph B. Hall, reporting a resolve in favor of Joseph B. Hall and others.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Adjourned to 2 o'clock, P. M.

Met according to adjournment.

Bill, an act to create and establish the office of Auditor in each of the several counties in this State.

This bill was taken up, amended as per sheets A, B, C, D and E, and laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. TILLSON of Rockland,

Ordered, That no member shall speak upon any question before the House more than ten minutes without leave of the House.

Read and passed.

Bill, an act to abolish punishment by death, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, it was referred to the next Legislature.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to create and establish the office of Auditor in each of the several counties of this State, amended further on motion of Mr. DEANE of Portland, so as change the title so as to be, an act to create and establish the office of Auditor in the counties of Cumberland, Oxford and Androscoggin, and as amended, the bill being reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Public Buildings be directed, if practicable, in the recess of the Legislature, to provide the Hall of the House of Representatives with two fire places, provided the same shall not exceed fifty dollars in cost.

Read and passed.

Bill, an act additional to an act to change Gorham Academy to a Female Seminary, approved August 20th, 1850.

On motion of Mr. PATTEE of Fort Fairfield, the House reconsidered the vote whereby it passed the bill to be enacted.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes, relating to divorce;

Bill, an act to amend chapter 84 of the Revised Statutes, in relation to levy of executions against towns. The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act relating to bail in criminal cases, was read three times and indefinitely postponed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend sections 17 and 18 of chapter 17 of the Revised Statutes, relating to steam boilers. Laid on the table by Mr. DRUMMOND of Waterville.

Rules suspended, bill read three times, and passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act relating to the protests of bills of exchange;

Bill, an act to repeal an act to incorporate the town of Islandport;

Bill, an act to reduce the capital stock of the Gardiner Bank;". Bill, an act additional to an act incorporating the Proprietors of the Gardiner and Pittston Bridge;

Bill, an act establishing the time for holding the annual sessions of the Supreme Judicial Court as a court of law:

Resolve in favor of the temporary clerks employed in the office of the Secretary of State;

Resolve in favor of the State Prison;

Resolve for the repair of the bridge over the Mattawamkeag river in township No. 1, range 2d, in the county of Aroostook;

Resolve to transfer the location of Calais Academy Grant;

Resolve in favor of Benjamin York;

Bill, an act additional to an act to incorporate the Maine State Seminary, approved March 16th, 1855.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and the resolves having severally had two readings, and bills and resolves passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were severally passed to be enacted, the resolves were severally finally passed, and they were signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate. Bill, an act to aid the Aroostook Railroad Company, increase the value and promote the sale and settlement of the public lands.

The House reconsidered the vote whereby it refused to pass the bill to be engrossed, and considered the same, and being put upon its passage to be engrossed, the House ordered the question to be taken by yeas and nays, and being taken, the House refused to pass the bill to be engrossed, by yeas 32, nays 85, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Buck, Bunker, S. J. Chadbourne, A. H. Clark, J. H. Drummond, Field, Goodale, Hanson, Hale, Hobbs, Judkins, S. Kingsbury, Lane, J. Libbey, Milliken, J. Palmer, Parker, T. Parkes, Pattee, J. Porter, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Prentiss, Ranney, Rice, Rogers, Spooner, Stockbridge, Strickland, Tibbetts, Tillson, Woodbury.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Andrews, Arnold, Bailey, Balch, Banks, Bean, Bicknell, Blaisdell, Boody, Brackett, Brown, Bucknam, Buxton, Case, H. M. Chadbourne, Cunningham, Clement, Conant, E. Davis, J. Davis, R. R. Drummond, Dunn, Estes, Flye, Foss, Fuller, Gilbert, Gilkey, Hagar, J. Hall, J. E. Hall, Hill, Ingalls, Johnson, Keene, C. A. Kimball, I. C. Kimball, Knapp, Leighton, C. E. Libbey, Longfellow, Loring, Maddox, Marcyes, Marshall, Merrithew, Merrill, Miller, Mitchell, L. S. Moore, Morrison, Nutting, Oliver, Percy, Perkins, Pettingill, Pierce, F. A. Pike, H. Pike, Plummer, Quint, Rackliffe, Rideout, Roak, Rowell, Sally, Sanborn, A. Shaw, A. B. Shaw, Shearman, Skillin, Skinner, B. Smith, W. C. Smith, Stanley, W. H. Sweat, Trussell, Wadlin, Walsh, Waterhouse, Weeks, Whitney, Wing, Woodman, York.

On motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, the House reconsidered the vote whereby it refused to pass the foregoing bill to be engrossed, and referred it to the next Legislature.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves providing for an amendment of the Constitution respecting a loan of the credit of the State, and the amount of its indebtedness, were read twice, and referred to the next Legislature.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of East Maine Conference Seminary, being on its final passage, was laid on the table.

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Resolve relating to County Estimates, was read twice, reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve providing for an investigation into the affairs of the State Prison.

The foregoing resolve having had two several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, was finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

ATTEST :

## GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

### SATURDAY, MARCH 27, 1858.

No Chaplain present.

Papers from the Senate.

Bill, an act in relation to the South Kennebec Agricultural Society, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House voted to adhere to the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed. The bill was sent to the Senate.

Bill, an act to provide for a State valuation, was read three times and indefinitely postponed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Limerick Academy.

This resolve came from the Senate, that branch having voted to adhere to the vote whereby it amended the resolve, and passed it to be engrossed.

The question being upon receding and concurring, the House ordered the yeas and nays, and being taken, the House refused to recede and concur, by yeas 50, nays 67, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Arnold, Balch, Banks, Bicknell, Buck, Bunker, Buxton, H. M. Chadbourne, Cunningham, E. Davis, J. Hall, Hanson, Hale, Ingalls, Johnson, Judkins, Keene, G. A. Kimball, T. R. Kingsbury, C. E. Libbey, Merrithew, Merrill, L. S. Moore, Morrison, J. Palmer, W. H. Palmer, Pattee, Perkins, Pierce, H. Pike, J. Porter, Prentiss, Rogers, Sanborn, Sawyer, A. Shaw, A. B. Shaw, Skillin, Skinner, B. Smith, Stockbridge, M. E. Sweat, W. H. Sweat, Tapley, Tibbetts, Tillson, Waterhouse, Woodbury.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Bailey, Bean, Blaisdell, Boody, Bowen, Brackett, Brown, Bucknam, S. J. Chadbourne, Chick, A. H. Clark, Clement, Conant, J. Davis, Deane, J. H. Drummond, R. R. Drummond, Dunn, Field, Fisher, Flye, Foss, Gilbert, Gilkey, Goodale, J. E. Hall, Hersey, Hill, Hobbs, Holt, Jones, S. Kingsbury, Knapp, Lane, Leighton, Longfellow, Loring, Maddox, Marcyes, Marshall, Nutting, Oliver, Parker, T. Parkes, Percey, Pettengill, F. A. Pike, Plummer, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Quint, Rackliff, Ranney, Rideout, Roak, Rowell, Sally, Shearman, W. C. Smith, Stanley, Trussell, Wadlin, Weeks, Whitney, Wing, Woodman, York.

On motion of Mr. MOORE of Limerick,

The House voted to insist on the vote whereby it passed the resolve to be engrossed, proposed a conference of the two Houses of the Legislature, and appointed Messrs. Moore of Limerick, Tapley of Saco, and Johnson of Augusta, Conferences on the part of the House. The resolve was sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of East Maine Conference Seminary, was taken up and considered, and the question being on laying it on the table, the House ordered the question to be taken by yeas and nays, and being taken, the House refused to lay the resolve on the table by yeas 21, nays 89, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Bunker, Buxton, Cunningham, E. Davis, Ingalls, T. R. Kingsbury, C. E. Libbey, J. Libbey, Longfellow, Mitchell, L. S. Moore, J. Palmer, Pierce, H. Pike, J. Porter, Ranney, Rideout, Skillin, B. Smith, Spooner, W. H. Sweat.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Andrews, Arnold, Bailey, Banks, Bean, Bicknell, Boody, Bowen, Brackett, Brown, Buck, Bucknam, H. M. Chadbourne, S. J. Chadbourne, Chick, A. H. Clark, Conant, J. Davis, Deane, J. H. Drummond, R. R. Drummond, Dunn, Field, Fisher, Flye, Foss, French, Fuller, Gilbert, Gilkey, Goodale, J. E. Hall, Hanson, Hale, Hersey, Hill, Hobbs, Holt, Johnson, Jones, Judkins, G. A. Kimball, S. Kingsbury, Knapp, Lane, Leighton, Loring, Maddox, Marcyes, Marshall, Merrithew, Merrill, Milliken, Morrison, Nutting, Oliver, W. H. Palmer, Parker, T. Parkes, Pattee, Percy, Perkins, Pettengill, F. A. Pike, Plummer, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Prentiss, Quint, Rackliff, Rice, Roak, Rowell, Sawyer, A. B. Shaw, Shearman, W. C. Smith, Stanley, Stockbridge, Tapley, Tibbetts, Tillson, Wadlin, Waterhouse, Weeks, Whitney, Wing, Woodman, York.

The question then recurred upon the final passage of the resolve, and the House ordered the yeas and nays, and being taken, the resolve was finally passed by yeas 75, nays 38, as follows: Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Andrews, Arnold, Banks, Bicknell, Boody, Brackett, Bunker, H. M. Chadbourne, A. H. Clark, Cunningham, Conant, E. Davis, J. Davis, Deane, J. H. Drummond. Fisher, Flye, French, Fuller, Gilbert, Gilkey, Goodale, J. Hall, J. E. Hall, Hanson, Hale, Hill, Hobbs, Ingalls, Johnson, Judkins, G. A. Kimball, S. Kingsbury, T. R. Kingsbury, Longfellow, Loring, Marcyes, Marshall, Merrithew, Merrill, Milliken, L. S. Moore, Morrison, Oliver, J. Palmer, W. H. Palmer, Parker, T. Parkes, Pattee, Percy, Perkins, Pettingill, Pierce, F. A. Pike, H. Pike, J. Porter, Prentiss, Rackliff, Rice, Rogers, Sally, A. Shaw, Sawyer, Skinner, B. Smith, Stockbridge, W. H. Sweat, Tapley, Tillson, Trussell, Waterhouse, Weeks, Woodbury, Woodman, York.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Bailey, Bean, Blaisdell, Bowen, Brown, Bucknam, Buxton, S. J. Chadbourne, Chick, R. R. Drummond, Dunn, Field, Foss, Hersey, Holt, Jones, H. Kingsbury, Knapp, Lane, C. E. Libbey, J. Libbey, Maddox, Mitchell, Nutting, Plummer, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Ranney, Rideout, Roak, Shearman, W. C. Smith, Spo'oner, Stanley, Tibbetts, Wadlin, Whitney, Wing.

And the resolve was signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport,

The House ordered that when it adjourns it adjourn to meet this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Resolve in favor of Samuel Wasson, was read twice, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill, an act relating to mortgages of personal property and the redemption thereof;

Resolve on the Pay Roll of the House.

The above bill was read the third time, the resolve was read twice, and they were severally passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to the rights of towns where ways are laid out by joint boards of County Commissioners, was taken up and accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing vote of the two Houses, on bill, an act to incorporate the city of Brunswick, reporting amendment F, and the passage of the bill as amended.

This report came from the Senate, having been read and accepted, and the bill amended, and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Bill amended in concurrence, and as amended, passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend the charter of the Augusta Water Power Company. Taken from the table, read three times, and indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Arletta A. Brown, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House voted to adhere to the vote whereby it passed the resolve to be engrossed.

Bill, an act to aid the Aroostook Railroad Company, increase the value and promote the sale and settlement of the public lands;

Resolves providing for an amendment of the Constitution respecting a loan of the credit of the State and the amount of its indebtment.

The foregoing bill and resolves came from the Senate, that branch having voted to adhere to the vote whereby it refused them a passage to be engrossed.

The House insisted on the votes whereby it referred the bill and resolves to the next Legislature, proposed a conference of the two Houses, and appointed Messrs. Prentiss of Bangor, Tillson of Rockland, and Pattee of Fort Fairfield, Conference on the part of the House.

Report of Judiciary Committee, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Willard Walker and others, Elias H. Witham and others, was taken up and accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. SALLY of Madison,

Ordered, That Joseph Sally of Madison, be and hereby is excused from further attendance upon the House of Representatives on account of sickness in his family, and the Treasurer of State is

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hereby instructed to pay said Sally all that may be due him as made up by the Committee on the Pay Roll.

Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Treasurer of State be requested to pay to Thomas Ranney, member of the House of Representatives, the amount made up on the Pay Roll, as certified by the Committee.

Read and passed.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes, relating to divorce;

Bill, an act for the suppression of certain common nuisances;

Bill, an act additional to chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to taxation;

Resolve to collect certain securities in the Land Office;

Resolve in favor of Westbrook Seminary.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and the resolves having each had two several readings, and each having been passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were severally passed to be enacted, the resolves finally passed, and they were signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill, an act to ascertain the will of the people concerning the sale of intoxicating liquors. Laid on the table by Mr. TAPLEY of Saco.

Rules suspended, read three times, amended as per sheet A on motion of Mr. FRENCH of Damariscotta, and being on its passage to be engrossed, the House ordered the question to be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the bill was passed to be engrossed by yeas 93, nays 17, as follows;

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Arnold, Bailey, Bean, Bicknell, Blaisdell, Boody, Bowen, Brackett, Brown, Buck, Bucknam, Bunker, S. J. Chadbourne, Chick, A. H. Clark, Clement, Conant, E. Davis, J. Davis, J. H. Drummond, R. R. Drummond, Dunn, Field, Fisher, Flye, French, Fuller, Gilkey, Goodale, J. Hall, J. E. Hall, Hanson, Hersey, Hill, Hobbs, Holt, Johnson, Jones, Judkins, H. Kingsbury, S. Kingsbury, T. R. Kingsbury, Knapp, Lane, Leighton, C. E Libbey, Longfellow, Loring, Maddox, Marcyes, Marshall, Merrithew, Merrill, Milliken, Morrison, Oliver, Parker, T. Parkes, Pattee, Percy, Perkins, Pettingill, F. A. Pike, Plummer, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Prentiss, Quint, Rackliff, Ranney, Rice, Roak, Rogers, Rowell, Sanborn, Sawyer, Shearman, Skinner, B. Smith, W. C. Smith, Stanley, Stockbridge, Tapley, Tillson, Wadlin, Waterhouse, Weeks, Whitney, Wing, Woodbury, Woodman, York.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Balch, Buxton, Cunningham, Gilbert, Ingalls, Keene, J. Libbey, L. S. Moore, Nutting, J. Palmer, Pierce, H. Pike, J. Porter, A. B. Shaw, Skillin, Spooner, Tibbetts.

And the bill was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Adjourned to 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Met according to adjournment.

Resolve on the Pay Roll of the Senate.

Rules suspended, read twice, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Henrie Dionne. Laid on the table by Mr. WOODBURY of Houlton.

Rules suspended, resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the attachment of property. Laid on the table by Mr. FLYE of Newcastle.

Rules suspended, bill read three times, and passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve relating to temporary clerks in the office of the Secretary of State. Laid on the table by Mr. PRENTISS of Bangor.

Rules suspended, resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to procure a corrected map of the State.

The House refused to reconsider the vote whereby it indefinitely postponed the resolve.

Sent up for concurrence.

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Bill, an act to amend section 12, of chapter 134, of the Revised Statutes, relative to the trial of capital cases. Laid on the table by Mr. PIKE of Calais.

Rules suspended, read twice, and this afternoon assigned for its third reading.

Read the third time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Joseph B. Hall and others, was read twice, and on motion of Mr. ROGERS of Stetson, it was indefinitely postponed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Order from the Senate in relation to printing five thousand copies of the bill, an act for the suppression of drinking houses and tippling shops, in pamphlet form, came from the Senate having been read and passed.

Read and refused a passage.

Bill, an act to amend section 1, of chapter 70, of the Revised Statutes, came from the Senate passed to be engrossed.

Read twice, and 3 o'clock this afternoon assigned for its third reading.

Bill, an act to encourage the settlement of the public lands, was read the third time, and amended as per sheet A, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend the charter of the Augusta Water Power Company.

The House reconsidered the vote whereby it indefinitely postponed this bill in concurrence, and on motion of Mr JOHNSON of Augusta, the bill was referred to the next Legislature.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to establish salaries for county commissioners;

Bill, an act to establish the office of Auditor of Accounts;

Bill, an act to amend chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes, in relation to filing specifications of defence. The above bills were severally read three times and indefinitely postponed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to establish the office of Auditor in each of the several counties in this State, came from the Senate with the House amendments A, B, C and D adopted, also House amendment 1 on sheet E; House amendment 2 and 3 on sheet E rejected : House amendment F amended as per sheet G, and as amended, passed to be engrossed.

The House rejected the Senate amendment G to House amendment F, and amended House amendment F by striking out "Androscoggin," and receded and concurred in rejecting House amendment E 3, and insisted upon amendment E 2, and as thus amended, the bill was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend section 12, of chapter 134, of the Revised Statutes, relative to the trial of capital cases, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House voted to insist on the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed, proposed a Conference of the two Houses, and appointed Messrs. Pike of Calais, Woodman of Bucksport, and French of Damariscotta, Conference on the part of the House.

Resolve in favor of Joseph B. Hall and others, came from the Senate, that branch insisting on its vote passing the resolve to be engrossed, and proposing a Conference of the two Houses.

The House voted to adhere to the vote whereby it indefinitely postponed the resolve.

The resolve was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. TAPLEY of Saco,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be instructed to procure the printing of the blank forms for warrants and returns necessary to be used to carry out the provisions of an act to ascertain the will of the people concerning the sale of intoxicating liquors, and forward a sufficient number of copies of each to the clerks of the respective cities, towns and plantations in the State.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve authorizing the Secretary of State to keep a book containing accounts of State against parties. Laid on the table by Mr. BUCK of Oldtown.

Rules suspended, resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act relating to witnesses and evidence, was read three times, and indefinitely postponed.

Sent up for concurrence.

. Bill, an act to simplify proceedings in trials for murder, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

Read twice, and indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Bill, an act relating to the deposition of parties, was read the third time, amended as per sheet A, and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve relating to County Estimates, came from the Senate amended as per sheet A, and as amended, passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, concurred with the Senate in amending the resolve, and as amended, passed the resolve to be engrossed in concurrence.

Order from the Senate in relation to furnishing a new desk for the Secretary, came from the Senate having been read and passed.

Read and passed in concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the salaries of public officers, came from the Senate amended as per sheets A and B, and indefinitely postponed.

The House voted to insist on its vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed, proposed a Conference of the two Houses, and appointed Messrs. Boody of Brunswick, Johnson of Augusta, Deane of Portland, Conferees on the part of the House.

Bill, an act respecting the punishment of prisoners in the State Prison. Laid on the table by Mr. BUXTON of Warren.

Rules suspended, bill read three times, and passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence. Mr. BUCK, from the Joint Select Committee to which was referred order relating to the expediency of abolishing certain offices of Reform School, Insane Hospital and State Prison, reported a bill, entitled an act to limit the pay of the trustees of the Insane Hospital, and State Reform School, and certain officers connected therewith.

Report accepted. Bill read twice, and 4 o'clock this afternoon assigned for its third reading. At 4 o'clock, the bill was read the third time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 136 of the Revised Statutes, for the collection and disposal of fines and costs in criminal cases, came from the Senate, House amendment A rejected, and the bill indefinitely postponed.

The House voted to insist on the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed, proposed a Conference of the two Houses of the Legislature, and appointed Messrs. Tapley of Saco, Woodman of Bucksport, and Moore of Limerick, as Conference on the part of the House.

Report of the Committee on Claims, upon certain claims for bounty on silk and wild animals, reporting a resolve in favor of the Treasurers of the towns of Bloomfield, Hanover and Chester.

This report came from the Senate having been read and accepted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill, an act to create and establish the office of Auditor in each of the several counties in this State, came from the Senate, that branch adhering to amendment G.

The House receded, and concurred in amendment G, and as amended, passed the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill, an act to encourage the settlement of the public lands, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House receded, and concurred with the Senate in the indefinite postponement of the bill. Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to procure a corrected map of the State.

This resolve came from the Senate, that branch non-concurring with the House in indefinitely postponing the resolve, and passed the same to be engrossed.

The House voted to adhere to the vote whereby it indefinitely postponed the resolve.

Bill, an act to amend section 1, chapter 70, of the Revised Statutes, was read the third time, and indefinitely postponed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Samuel Wasson;

Resolve for the repair of the Mattawamkeag bridge, in the county of Penobscot;

Resolve in favor of Rufus Dwinel;

Resolve on the Pay Roll of the Senate;

Resolve on the Pay Roll of the House;

Bill, an act to incorporate the Aroostook Railroad Company.

Bill, an act to establish forms of proceeding which may be used in prosecutions under an act entitled an act for the suppression of drinking houses and tippling shops, approved March 25, 1858.

The foregoing resolves having each had two several readings, and the bills having had three several readings each, and bills and resolves severally passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the resolves were severally finally passed, the bills were severally passed to be enacted, and they were signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of Vassalborough Academy. Laid on the table by Mr. WEEKS of Vassalborough.

Read twice, and indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. PORTER of Sebago,

Ordered, That this House meet at half past 5 o'clock on Monday morning next.

Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. TAPLEY of Saco,

Ordered, That when this House adjourns it adjourn to meet this evening at 7 o'clock.

Adjourned to evening.

Met according to adjournment.

The Speaker being absent, the Clerk presided during the organization of the House in the choice of Speaker *pro tem*.

On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta,

Ordered, That in the absence of the Speaker, THEODORE C. WOODMAN be chosen Speaker pro tem.

Read and passed.

A message was sent to the Senate, by Mr. TAPLEY of Saco, informing that branch of the government that, in the absence of the Speaker, the House had made choice of Theodore C. Woodman as Speaker *pro tem.* A similar message was sent to the Governor and Council by Mr. BANKS of Biddeford. Those gentlemen subsequently reported that they had discharged the duty assigned them.

Bill, an act to limit the pay of the Trustees of the Insane Hospital and State Reform School, and certain officers connected therewith.

This bill came from the Senate, that branch having indefinitely postponed the bill.

The House receded, and concurred with the Senate in the indefinite postponement of the bill.

Bill, an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government. Laid on the table by Mr. PIKE of Calais.

Rules suspended, bill read three several times, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve for the enlargement of the State Prison, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

Read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend section 12 of chapter 134 of the Revised Statutes, relative to the trial of capital cases, came from the Senate, that branch having voted to adhere to the vote whereby it indefinitely postponed the bill.

On motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais, the House voted to insist on its vote passing the bill to be engrossed.

Resolve in favor of Gridley J. F. Bryant, came from the Senate passed to be engrossed.

Read twice, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the salaries of public officers.

This bill came from the Senate, that branch adhering to its former vote indefinitely postponing the bill.

The House voted to adhere to the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed.

Bill, an act additional to an act approved February 17th, 1858, altering the time for holding the May Term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the county of Lincoln;

Resolve relating to County Estimates;

Bill, an act to amend sections 17 and 18 of chapter 17 of the Revised Statutes, relating to steam boilers;

Resolve in favor of the treasurers of the towns of Bloomfield, Hanover and Chester;

Resolve in favor of Gridley J. F. Bryant.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and the resolves having had two several readings, and bills and resolves having severally been passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were severally passed to be enacted, the resolves were finally passed, and the bills and resolves were severally signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 136 of the Revised Statutes, for the collection and disposal of fines and costs in criminal cases.

This bill came from the Senate, that branch having voted to adhere to its vote indefinitely postponing the bill.

The House voted to adhere to the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed.

Bill, an act to amend section 1 of chapter 70 of the Revised Statutes.

This bill came from the Senate, that branch insisting on its vote passing the bill to be engrossed.

The House voted to adhere to its vote indefinitely postponing the bill.

Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to procure a corrected map of the State, came from the Senate, that branch insisting on its vote passing the resolve to be engrossed, and proposing a conference.

The House voted to adhere to the vote by which it indefinitely postponed the resolve.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 135 of the Revised Statutes, to secure the confinement of prisoners under sentence of death.

This bill came from the Senate passed to be engrossed.

The bill was read three times and indefinitely postponed. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Corinna Union Academy.

This resolve came from the Senate, amendment A adopted, and then the resolve indefinitely postponed.

The House voted to adhere to the vote whereby it passed the resolve to be engrossed.

Resolve establishing a permanent seat of government. Laid on the table by Mr. PORTER of Lowell.

Rules suspended, resolve read twice, and being on its passage to be engrossed, on this question the House ordered the yeas and nays, and being taken, the resolve was passed to be engrossed, by yeas 49, nays 39, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were-

Messrs. Bailey, Balch, Bean, Blaisdell, Bowen, Brackett, Bucknam, H. M. Chadbourne, Cunningham, Conant, J. Davis, Deane, Dunn, Field, Foss, J. Hall, J. E. Hall, Hobbs, Ingalls, Keene, Lane, J. Libbey, Longfellow, L. S. Moore, J. Palmer, B. F. Parks, T. Parkes, Pattee, Perkins, Plummer, J. Porter, S. R. Porter, Pratt, Rideout, Roak, Rogers, Sanborn, Skillin, W. C. Smith, Spooner, Stanley, Stockbridge, M. E. Sweat, Tapley, Tibbetts, Tillson, Trussell, Waterhouse, Whitney.

Those who voted in the negative were-

Messrs. Bicknell, Brown, Buck, Bunker, S. J. Chadbourne, Chick, Clement, E. Davis, R. R. Drummond, Fisher, Gilkey, Goodale, Hale, Hersey, Hill, Holt, Johnson, S. Kingsbury, T. R. Kingsbury, C. E. Libbey, Loring, Merrithew, Merrill, Milliken, Morrison, Oliver, Parker, Percy, Prentiss, Rackliff, Rowell, A. B. Shaw, Skinner, B. Smith, Wadlin, Weeks, Wing, Woodman.

And the resolve was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Resolve for the enlargement of the State Prison, came from the Senate amended as per sheet A and B, and as amended, passed to be engrossed.

The House voted to insist on the vote whereby it passed the resolve to be engrossed, proposed a Conference of the two Houses, and appointed Messrs. Tillson of Rockland, Rice of Hampden, and Boody of Brunswick, as Conference on the part of the House.

Resolve in favor of Davis R. Stockwell, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House voted to adhere to the vote whereby it recommitted the resolve to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. The resolve was sent to the Senate.

Bill, an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government, came from the Senate amended as per sheets A and B, and as amended, passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, and concurred with the Senate in adopting amendments A and B, and as amended, the bill was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Henrie Dionne;

Resolve authorizing the Secretary of State to keep a book containing accounts of State against parties.

The foregoing resolves having each had two several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, they were severally finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 135 of the Revised Statutes, to secure the confinement of prisoners under sentence of death.

This bill came from the Senate, that branch having insisted on

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its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, and proposing a Conference of the two Houses.

The House voted to adhere to its vote by which it indefinitely postponed the bill.

Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta, was charged with a message to the Senate, informing that branch that there were no papers on the table of the Speaker requiring action, and asking if there was any business before the Senate which would require the action of the House. He subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him.

A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary, informing the House that there were many papers on their table requiring legislative action.

Bill, an act for the suppression of certain common nuisances.

This bill came from the Senate amended as per sheet D, and as amended, passed to be engrossed.

The House voted to adhere to the vote whereby it passed the bill to be enacted.

Bill, an act additional to chapter 92 of the Revised Statutes, in relation to mill dams, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

Bill read three times, and indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Adjourned.

ATTEST :

#### GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

# MONDAY, MARCH 29, 1858.

No Chaplain present.

Bill, an act to amend chapter 84 of the Revised Statutes, in relation to levy of execution against towns;

Bill, an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government; Bill, an act to ascertain the will of the people concerning the sale of intoxicating liquors;

Bill, an act to create and establish the office of Auditor in the county of Cumberland ;

Bill, an act to amend section 16, of chapter 91, of the Revised Statutes, relating to lien claims;

Bill, an act to incorporate the city of Brunswick;

Resolve for the enlargement of the State Prison;

Resolve relating to temporary clerks in the office of the Secretary of State;

Bill, an act additional to chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes, relating to attachments of property.

The foregoing bills having each had three several readings, and the resolves having each had two several readings, and bills and resolves severally passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were severally passed to be enacted, the resolves severally finally passed, and they were signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of Theodore C. Woodman. Laid on the table by Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta.

Rules suspended, resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve establishing a permanent seat of government, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House receded, and concurred with the Senate in the indefinite postponement of the resolve. On motion of Mr. DAVIS of Fairfield,

Ordered, That when this House adjourns it adjourn without day. Read and passed.

Resolve for the better protection of the records in the Land Office, came from the Senate passed to be engrossed.

Rules suspended, resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve locating and designating certain townships for settlement. Laid on the table by Mr. PATTEE of Fort Fairfield.

Rules suspended, resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve for the better protection of the records in the Land Office;

Resolve in favor of Theodore C. Woodman;

Resolve locating and designating certain townships for settlement. The foregoing resolves having each had two several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the resolves were severally finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill, an act to amend section 1, of chapter 70, of the Revised Statutes.

Mr. FRENCH of Damariscotta, moved that the House 'reconsider the vote whereby it adhered to the vote by which it indefinitely postponed the bill. The House refused to reconsider.

Resolve in favor of Nelson Gilkey. Laid on the table by Mr. DAVIS of Fairfield.

Rules suspended, resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Judiciary Committee, on order relating to payment of interest on taxes, reporting legislation inexpedient;

Report of the same Committee, reporting finally, and asking to be discharged.

The above reports came from the Senate having been read and accepted.

They were read and accepted in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Nelson Gilkey.

This resolve having had two several readings, and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, was finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Order from the Senate.

Ordered, That a Committee of three, with such as the House may join, be appointed to wait on the Governor and inform him that the two branches of the Legislature, having acted upon all matters before them, are ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make.

This order came from the Senate having been read and passed, and Messrs. Berry of Kennebec, West and Wasson, appointed said Committee on the part of the Senate.

The order was read and passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Rogers of Stetson, Fuller of Freedom, Hall of North Berwick, Keene of Columbia, Stockbridge of Freeport, Kingsbury of Bradford, and Waterhouse of Lyman, were appointed said Committee on the part of the House.

The Committee appointed to wait on the Governor, through Mr. ROGERS, its Chairman, reported that they had attended to the duty assigned them, and the Governor was pleased to say, that he would forthwith communicate to the Legislature through the Secretary of State.

A message was received from the Governor, through the Secretary of State, transmitting a list of the acts and resolves signed by him, and further saying that he had no further communication to make.

Mr. SKILLIN of North Yarmouth, rose in his place and said :

Mr. Clerk:—As the labors of this session are about drawing to a close, and the hour of final adjournment having arrived—a time when all rivalries and controversies should be merged into sentiments of regard and friendship, by those who have labored together to promote the public weal—I would therefore, in accordance with my own feelings, and in behalf of those with whom I am politically associated, express our acknowledgments to the Speaker and dominant party of this House,

for the courtesy and respect which has so universally been extended to us during the present session. I therefore ask leave to lay on your table the following resolve:

**Resolved**, That the thanks of this House be presented to the Hon. JOSIAH H. DRUMMOND, for the ability, urbanity and impartiality with which he has presided over the deliberations of this House.

The resolve was unanimously passed.

The SPEAKER thereupon addressed the House as follows :

Gentlemen: — This expression of your approval is in keeping with your kindness and forbearance towards me throughout the session.

When I entered upon the discharge of the duties of this position, I invoked your assistance and co-operation. These you have ever most generously given me. I shall ever remember your kindness with feelings of gratitude that I am not able to express.

We have now closed our duties as legislators. What we have done belongs to the past. The wisdom of our laws the future must determine. Whatever' may be the issue, we know that we have been prompted in our action solely by motives to do the right and advance the interests of the State.

Your deliberations have been unusually harmonious. Whatever differences of opinion have existed, whatever feelings have been excited in the heat of debate, have passed away with the cause that gave them birth. And now, as we are about to separate, we remember only the pleasant associations we have formed, the recollection of which we shall recall with pleasure, as long as memory endures.

We should not forget the gratitude due to the "All-wise Giver of every good and perfect gift," that He has not suffered the grim messenger to invade our ranks, that He has preserved us in life and health in the discharge of our laborious duties, and that our loved ones at home have been the objects of His watchful care and protection during our separation from them.

Gentlemen, I wish you a speedy and safe return to your homes, and may prosperity ever attend you.

On motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Bucksport, The House of Representatives adjourned without day.

ATTEST :

GEORGE W. WILCOX, Clerk.

## TITLES OF ACTS

#### PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF 1858.

#### PUBLIC LAWS.

- to amend section ten, of chapter one hundred and twenty-two, of the revised statutes, relating to offences against public justice.
- to change the time of holding the May term of the supreme judicial court, for the county of Lincoln.
- additional to chapter twenty-seven of the revised statutes, relating to the supreme judicial court.
- to define intelligibly the northern registry district of Aroos-'took county.
- to amend chapter thirty-eight of the revised statutes, relating to the inspection of beef and pork.
- additional to chapter four of the revised statutes, relating to elections.
- relating to the sale of land warrants by executors and administrators.
- additional to the several acts establishing the county of Piscataquis.

to amend chapter six of the revised statutes, relating to taxes. for the preservation of certain useful birds.

- additional to chapter thirty-nine of the revised statutes, relating to the inspection of lime.
- to amend section fifteenth of chapter fifth of the revised statutes, relating to lands reserved for public uses.
- to amend chapter fifty-nine of the revised statutes, relating to marriage and its solemnizations.

An act to amend chapter fifty of the public laws of eighteen hundred fifty-seven relating to the salaries of judges of municipal and police courts.

An act to provide for enforcing liens on vessels.

relating to the discipline of the state prison.

to amend section twenty-four of chapter three of the revised statutes, relating to the election of assessors and subordinate officers of cities.

to amend chapter one hundred and five of the revised statutes respecting the limitation of real actions.

additional to chapter thirty of the revised statutes relating to the destruction of moose and deer.

to amend chapter forty, section fifty-three of the revised statutes relating to the taking of fish from Moosehead lake.

relating to executions against sheriffs.

relating to certain courts in the county of Lincoln.

to amend chapter six and eighteen of the revised statues relating to the location and repair of roads in unincorporated places.

additional to chapter forty-seven of the revised statutes relating to banks and banking.

to amend chapter forty-six of the revised statutes relative to demands on stockholders of corporations.

to amend the fortieth chapter of the revised statutes relating to fisheries.

to amend chapter forty-nine of the revised statutes respecting directors of mutual insurance companies.

to provide for the greater security of travelers and lodgers at inns during fires.

additional to chapter sixty-seven of the revised statutes relating to guardians.

in relation to trustee of railroads.

to amend sections fifty and fifty-four of chapter forty-seven of the revised statutes relating to banks and banking.

amending chapter sixty-six of the revised statutes relating to insolvent estates.

for the suppression of drinking houses and tippling shops.

additional to chapter twelve of the revised statutes relating to parishes and religious societies.

amending section twenty of chapter eighty of the revised statutes relating to sheriffs.

to secure the safety and convenience of travelers on railroads. additional to chapter one hundred forty-two of the revised statutes relating to the reform school. An act in relation to the pay of fish wardens.

additional to chapter three of the revised statutes respecting unincorporated townships.

relating to reviews.

relating to fines and costs of criminal prosecutions.

regulating the taxation of costs, additional to chapter one hundred sixteen of the revised statutes.

establishing the time for holding the annual sessions of the supreme judicial court as a court of law.

relating to the protest of bills of exchange.

additional to chapter sixty of the revised statutes relating to divorce.

additional to chapter six of the revised statutes relative to taxes. to amend sections seventeen and eighteen of chapter seventeen of the revised statutes relating to steam boilers.

to establish forms of proceedings which may be used in prosecutions under an act entitled "An act for the suppression of drinking houses and tippling shops," approved March twenty-fifth, eighteen hundred and fifty-eight.

additional to an act approved Febuary seventeenth, eighteen hundred and fifty-eight, altering the time for holding the May term of the supreme judicial court, for the county of Lincoln.

to ascertain the will of the people concerning the sale of intoxicating liquors.

- additional to chapter eighty-one of the revised statutes relating to attachment of property.
- to amend section sixteen of chapter ninety-one of the revised statutes relating to lien claims.
- to amend chapter eighty-four of the revised statutes in relation to levy of executions against towns.

for the suppression of certain common nuisances.

#### PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS.

An act to incorporate the Cabot Manufacturing Company.

to incorporate the Preachers' Aid Society of the Maine Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

relating to the city of Bath.

- to incorporate the Portland School for Medical Instruction.
- to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Trustees of Oak Grove Academy in Falmouth," approved April fifteenth, eighteen hundred and fifty-seven.
- to incorporate the Trustees of the South Bridgton High School.
- to enlarge the powers of school district number four in Winthrop.
- to incorporate the State of Maine Company.
- to make valid the doings of the town officers of the town of Sebec.
- authorizing the county commissioners of the county of Oxford to reassess certain taxes.
- to enable the town of Winthrop to pay the Rev. David Thurston for writing and publishing the history of said town.

respecting school district number four in Winthrop.

- to incorporate the West Hampden High School.
- to authorize the assessors of Eustis and Jackson plantations to settle with former treasurers.
- to change the names of certain persons.
- to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Trustees of the Maine State Seminary," approved March sixteenth, eighteen hundred and fifty-five.
- to increase the salary of the recorder of the municipal court of the city of Portland.
- to prevent the destruction of alewives in Sewall's pond or its ' outlets.
- to incorporate the Trustees of the Maine Universalist Missionary Society.
- to incorporate the Trustees of Presque Isle Academy.
- to prevent the destruction of fish in Jackson pond, so called, in the town of Concord.
- additional to an act to preserve the harbor of Portland.
- to increase the capital stock of the City Bank at Biddeford.
- to incorporate the Trustees of the Charity Fund of the Maine Convention of Universalists.

An act	to set off Cyrus F. Bryant together with certain real estate
	from the town of Fairfield, and annex the same to the town
	of Bloomfield.
	to prevent the destruction of trout in Howard's pond and its
	tributary waters in the town of Hanover.
	to prevent the destruction of pickerel in Meadow pond or its
	tributary waters in the town of Isleborough.
	to amend the city charter of Bangor, so the aldermen and
	council shall not hold subordinate offices.
	to incorporate the first Universalist Church in Rockland.
	to incorporate the Southport Mutual Fishing Insurance Com- pany.
	to incorporate the Lewiston Works Company.
	relating to the harbor commissioners of Portland harbor.
	to provide in part for the expenditures of government.
	to incorporate the Ellsworth Gas Light Company.
	to establish the salary of the judge of probate of the county of
	Penobscot.
	to prevent the destruction of pickerel in the China and Little ponds.
	to incorporate the master, wardens and members of Vassalbo- rough Lodge.
	to incorporate Mount Hope Cemetery Corporation.
	to incorporate the town of Prentiss.
	additional to an act to incorporate the city of Portland.
	to extend the charter of the Cherryfield Boom Company.
	to incorporate the town of Bridgewater.
	to make valid the doings of the First Congregational Parish of Monmouth.
	to renew and extend the charter of Veazie Bank.
	for the protection of the inhabitants of Long Island against
	depredations of hunters.
	to incorporate the Hancock Agricultural Society.
	additional to an act to incorporate the Achorn Lime Rock Company.
	to incorporate the Proprietors of Wildwood Cemetery.
	to divide the Congregational Parish in the town of Sanford.
	to authorize a change in the location of the Skowhegan Bank.
	to make valid the doings of the town of Franklin.

An act to empower the collector of Atkinson for the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, to close collection of school district tax for district number five in Atkinson, same year.

to change the name of the Methodist Society in Portland.

additional to an act to authorize the town of Milo to erect and maintain a toll bridge for a limited time, approved August eight, eighteen hundred forty-eight.

to incorporate the Fayette Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

to authorize the extension of Jack's Point Wharf in Newcastle. to incorporate the Woodland Cemetery Company.

to incorporate the East Branch Mattawamkeag Dam Company. repealing "An act to incorporate the Portland Marine Railway."

to incorporate the town of Fort Fairfield.

- to authorize Samuel Averill, second, to build a wharf in Newcastle.
- to incorporate the Maine Wharf in Portland.
- to set off a part of the town of Jefferson and annex the same to the town of Newcastle.
- to incorporate the North Leeds Steam Mill and Manufacturing Company.
- to reduce the capital stock of the Eastern Bank, Bangor.
- to incorporate the Eastport Mutual Fire Insurance Company.
- to prevent the destruction of trout and pickerel in Sebec pond and it tributaries.
- to enable the inhabitants of Orland to pay Willard P. White an additional sum for building a bridge.
- to set off the town of Greenfield and townships number one and two in the county of Hancock, and annex the same to the county of Penobscot.
- to incorporate the Farmington Falls Debating Club and Library Association.

additional to acts incorporating the city of Portland.

additional to an act incorporating the Waldo Mills Company.

- to authorize William R. Sawyer to extend a wharf into tide waters in Milbridge harbor.
- to make valid the doings of the town officers of the town of Brownfield.

An	act	additional to an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Lowell Bank."
		to authorize the sale of a school house in Augusta.
	• ,	amending an act for the preseveration of fish in the St. Croix river.
		accepting the surrender of the charter of the Mariners' Bank.
		to incorporate the Waterville Mutual Fire Insurance Company. to change the names of certain persons.
		to authorize Limestone plantation to raise money to repair roads in said plantation.
		to incorporate the Maine Granite Company.
		to authorize the town of Milbridge to purchase or hire a bridge.
		to authorize Eustis plantation to raise money for the repairs of roads and bridges in said plantation.
		to incorporate the Wawenock Bank.
		to incorporate the St. Croix Gas Light Company.
		to amend chapter one hundred twenty-three of the special laws
		of eighteen hundred fifty-seven, relating to the Augusta
		Free Bridge Company.
		to incorporate the Brunswick Savings Institution.
		to incorporate the Portland and New York Steamship Com- pany.
		to incorporate the Belfast Gas Light Company.
		to set off certtain lands from Poland and annex the same to Otisfield.
		to incorporate the Robbinston Farmers' Club.
		to set off certain land from Poland and annex the same to Casco.
		to increase the salaries of the judge of probate and of the reg-
		ister of probate for the county of Sagadahoc.
		to reduce the capital stock of the Maine Bank.
		to reduce the capital stock of the Pejepscot Bank.
		to authorize a reduction in the capital stock of the Richmond Bank.
		to reduce the capital stock of the Union Bank.
		to make valid the proceedings of school districts number three and six in Dresden.
		additional to an act to incorporate the Long Reach Bank.
		to reduce the capital stock of the City Bank at Bath.

An act to make valid the doings of school district number fifteen in the town of Parkman.

for the preservation of trout in certain waters.

additional to incorporate the Bangor, Oldtown and Milford Railroad Company.

to incorporate the Portland Hotel Company.

to incorporate the town of Somerville.

to incorporate the Sandy River Boom and Log Driving Company.

to incorporate the Bangor Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

to repeal the act incorporating the town of Elliottsville.

to change the names of certain persons.

additional to an act to incorporate the Lewiston Institution for Savings.

relating to the distribution of school money in Gardiner.

to reduce the capital stock of the Gardiner Bank.

to repeal "An act to incorporate the town of Islandport."

additional to an act incorporating the proprietors of the Gardiner and Pittston bridge.

additional to "an act to incorporate the Maine State Seminary,"

approved March sixteenth, eighteen hundred and fifty-five. for the assessment of a state tax for the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, amounting to two hundred

thousand, nine hundred nineteen dollars, thirty cents.

to incorporate the Aroostook Railroad Company.

to provide in part for the expenditures of government.

to incorporate the city of Brunswick.

to create and establish the office of auditor in the county of Cumberland.

# TITLES OF RESOLVES

#### PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF 1858.

Resolve in favor of the town of West Gardiner. in relation to printing certain documents. authorizing the renewal of a portion of the State debt. for the repair of the bridge over and near the forks of Mattawamkeag river. in favor of Peol Sockis and Lewy Bewwit. in favor of incorporated plantations. providing for the distribution of the annual report of the superintendent of common schools. in favor of Henry Upton. in favor of L. T. Boothby and Charles Turner. in favor of Daniel Winslow. in favor of Samuel Clark. in favor of Sanford Noble. in relation to the distribution of a portion of the public lands belonging to the United States. providing for the payment of roll of accounts, No. 38. Resolves relative to bounty on cod fisheries. Resolve in favor of the committee on the state reform school. in relation to the settlement of the public lands. in favor of John Parent. in favor of Spencer G. Bowes. in favor of John Attean and John Neptune. relating to the Passamaquoddy Indians. relating to taxes on Holbrook island. in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians. authorizing the sale of certain lots of land in the county of Aroostook.

Resolve in favor of Parker P. Burleigh.

in favor of Masters, Smith & Co.

for the conveyance of land to John Crosby and Alfred W. Johnson.

in aid of building mills in township number five, range thirteen.

in favor of Wingate Bradbury.

in favor of Nathaniel Hanscom.

in favor of the committee on state prison.

Resolves relating to Kansas and slavery.

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Resolves relating to Kansas affairs.

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in favor of John A. Cleaveland.

in favor of Stephen L. Goodale.

for the repair of the military road.

in aid of building a bridge across the north branch of Dead river in the county of Franklin.

in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians.

relating to taxes of the towns of Hollis and Dayton.

in relation to township L, range two.

in favor of the treasurer of the towns of Bethel, Stoneham, and Clifton, also of A. Spooner.

providing for an appropriation for the state reform school.

providing for surveying and marking the state line between Maine and New Hampshire.

in aid of repairing a road and building a bridge in township number two, in the second range, west of Kennebec river, in the county of Somerset.

relating to the report of Albert T. Wheelock.

for the repair of road in letter B. range one.

in favor of Madawaska, Hancock and Van Buren plantations. to promote the education of the Penobscot Indians.

relating to the compensation of the commissioner at Washingington.

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- in favor of Phillis Russell.
- in favor of William Jameson and others, and Samuel A. Gilman and others.
- relative to valuations of Unity plantation and town of Albion.
- in relation to settling accounts with Penobscot and Passamaquoddy Indians.
- in favor of the Penobscot Indians.
- in favor of Francis Cook.
- in favor of the temporary clerks employed in the office of the secretary of state.
- in favor of the state prison.
- to transfer the location of Calais academy grant.
- in favor of Benjamin York.
- providing for an investigation into the affairs of the state prison.

in aid of the heirs of Benjamin Lowell and Lydia Lowell.

in favor of the East Maine Conference Seminary.

to collect certain securities in the land office.

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for the repair of Mattawamkeag bridge in the county of Penobscot.

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