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State of Maine.

House of Representatives,
Augusta. January, 7. 1863.

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. Blake of Bangor and upon his motion Mr. Kingsbury of Portland was appointed Chairman of the Convention.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Rowe of Augusta.

On motion of Mr. Hayden of Bath,

Messrs. Hayden of Bath, Jellison of Biddeford Lowell of Lewiston, Hopkinson of Fort Fairfield, Gunnison of Scarboro, Stacey of Porter, Dyer of New Sharon, Clark of Mt. Desert, Bradford of Winthrop, Bisbee of Camden, Donnell of New Castle, Burgess of Oldtown, Ellis of Guilford, Hathaway of Skowhegan, Frye of Montville, and Stickney of Perry, were appointed a Committee to receive and examine the credentials of the members elect and report whether a quorum is present.

Mr. Hayden from this Committee subsequently reported that they had examined the credentials of members and that a quorum of the mem-

bers elect is in attendance.

Mr. Crosby of Dexter, 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. Crosby reported that the Governor was pleased to say 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.

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On motion of Mr. Hodgman of Warren,

Messrs. Hodgman, of Warren, Manson of Bangor, Blake of Farmington, Ayer of Monmouth, Drummond of Bath, Reed of Boothbay, and Perkins of Kennebunkport, were appointed a Committee to receive sort and count the votes for Clerk.

Having attended to that duty, the Committee through Mr. Hodgman reported

Whole number of votes	129
Necessary for a choice	65
Charles A. Miller had	100
John L. Hunter "	26

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Samuel H. Marsh had 2
J. W. Hunter " 1

The report was accepted and Charles A. Miller was declared to be duly elected Clerk of the House of Representatives for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. Hodgman of Farrow, that gentleman was appointed to accompany the clerk elect to the Council Chamber in order for him to take and subscribe the oaths required by law to enable him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties. Mr. Hodgman subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him.

The Clerk presided during the further organization of the House.

On motion of Mr. Hazeltine of Belfast, Messrs. Hazeltine of Belfast, Lowell of Lewiston, Nelt of Waldoboro, Swift of Brunswick, Cobb of Rockland, Buckman of Eastport and Haskell of Poland, were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Speaker.

Having attended to that duty the committee reported

Whole number of votes,	143
Necessary for a choice	72
Nelson Dingley, Jr. had	103
John M. Goodwin "	41

The report was accepted and Nelson Dingley, Jr. was declared to be duly elected Speaker of the House of Representatives for the current political year.

Mr. Dingley was conducted to the

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chair by Mr. Hagelstine of Belfast and addressed the House, as follows:--

Gentlemen of the House of Representatives; I tender you my grateful acknowledgement for this expression of your confidence. In accepting the position which you have so generously assigned me, I am not insensible to the value of the compliment it bestows and the weight of obligation and responsibility it imposes — a responsibility from which I might well shrink could I not confidently rely on your indulgence and cordial co-operation. In the discharge of the duties of the chair it will be my aim to administer the rules of the House with fidelity and impartiality, having constantly in view the fundamental principle of Parliamentary law, that the great purpose of all the rules and forms by which the business of a legislative body is conducted, while they protect the rights of the minorities by guarding against the hasty and irregular acts of majorities, is to subserve rather than to restrain the will of the assembly, to facilitate and not to obstruct, the expression of its deliberate sense. I am ready gentlemen, to proceed with the business of the House.

A message was sent to the Governor and Council by Mr. Hayden of Bath, and a similar message to the Senate by Mr. Clay of Gardiner, informing those branches that the House of Representatives had organized by the election of Nelson Dingley, Jr. as Speaker and Charles A. Miller as Clerk.

These gentlemen subsequently reported they

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had discharged the duty assigned them.

A message was received from the Senate through Mr. Jordan, Senator from Androscoggin, informing the House that the Senate was organized by the choice of Hon. Nathan A. Farwell as President and Ezra B. Brett as Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Grant of Ellsworth,
Messrs. Grant of Ellsworth, Davis of Buxton, Ellis of Southport, Watts of New Gloucester and Coffin of Harrington were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Assistant Clerk.

Having attended to that duty the Committee reported:

Whole number of votes	114
Necessary for a choice	58
Horace Stilson had	87
Samuel F. Marsh "	27

The report was accepted and Horace Stilson was declared duly elected Assistant Clerk of the House of Representatives for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. Risbee of Camden
Ordered That Alden Goudy be appointed Messenger and A. L. Norton and S. J. Chadbourne Assistant Messengers of the House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Hayden of Bath,
Ordered That the Clerk of the House cause to be supplied to the members and officers of the House during the session, one copy each of the Legislative papers published by the conduc-

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tors of the Kennebec Journal and of the Age.

On motion of Mr. Hopkinson of Ft. Fairfield,
Ordered That the Rules and Orders of the last House be adopted as the Rules and orders of the present until otherwise directed.

On motion of Mr. Trundy of Searsport,
Ordered, That the hour of ten oclock A. M. of each day be the hour for the meeting of this House until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. Haydew of Bath
Ordered That the Clerk of the House invite the clergymen of Augusta, Hallowell and Gardiner to officiate in rotation as Chaplains of the House during the session

On motion of Mr. Crosby of Dexter
Ordered That a Committee of five be appointed to report Rules and Orders for the Government of this House.

Read and passed and Messrs. Crosby of Dexter, Kingsbury of Portland, Clay of Gardiner, Hodgman of Harrew, and Bucknam of Eastport appointed as said Committee.

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

Order from the Senate.
Ordered, That a Joint Special Committee consisting of seven on the part of the Senate with

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such as the House may join be appointed to examine and report on the votes for Governor.

This order came from the Senate read and passed and Messrs. Millikew of Kennebec, Jordan of Androscoggin, Reed of Lincoln, Spring of Cumberland, Plummer of Washington, Barrows of Oxford, and Seabury of Piscataquis appointed on the part of the Senate.

Read and passed in concurrence and Messrs. Crosby of Dexter, Farwell of Lewiston, Dudley of Presque Isle, Vickery of Cape Elizabeth, Lambert of Phillips, Watson of Trenton, Bradford of Winthrop, Hodgman of Warren, Hobson of Biscaset, Hardwell of Rumford, Ellis of Guilford, Drummond of Bath, Hathaway of Skowhegan, Frye of Montville, Lyman of Machias and Page of Berwick were joined to said Committee on the part of the House.

Ordered, The House concurring, that the Joint Rules and Orders of 1862, be adopted as the Rules and Orders of this Legislature until otherwise ordered.

This order came from the Senate read and passed and was passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Kingsbury of Portland,

Adjourned.

Attest

Charles A. Miller

Clerk.

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Thursday, January, 8. 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. McKenzie of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

The Speaker announced the Monitors of the House, as follows;—

1st Div. Mr. Drummond of Bath.
2d " " Kent of Bremen.
3d " " Turner of Augusta.
4th " " Law of Washington.
5th " " Rogers of Kittery.
6th " " Farwell of Lewiston.
7th " " Jellison of Biddeford
8th " " Clark of Mt. Desert.

On motion of Mr. Kingsbury of Portland,
Ordered, That the Clerk of the House cause to be prepared for the use of the House, lists of the members, arranged alphabetically, according to the number of their seats, including residence, boarding place, post-office address, and political classification and a diagram of the House of Representatives and that five hundred copies of the same be printed.

On motion of Mr. Hayden of Bath,
Ordered, That the Secretary of State cause to be laid on the Clerk's Desk nine copies of the Revised Statutes for the use of the Members of this House, and also nine copies of the Acts and Resolves for the years 1858, 1859, 1860, 1861 & 1862.

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On motion of Mr. Hodgman of Warren,
Ordered, That the Secretary of State be requested to furnish to the House of Representatives one copy each of Worcester's Dictionary, unabridged, and Webster's Dictionary, unabridged, and that the Clerk be directed to have printed on the cover of each the words – "House of Representatives."

The foregoing orders were read and passed.

Report of the Joint Select Committee to whom was referred the return of votes for Governor, was made in the Senate and came from that branch read and accepted.

It was read and accepted in concurrence and is as follows; –

Whole number of votes	88.534
Necessary for a choice	44.268
Abner Coburn has	46.783
Dion Bradbury "	33.972
Charles D. Jameson "	7.696
All others "	83.

Order from the Senate.

Ordered That a Committee of three on the part of the Senate with such as the House may join be appointed to wait upon the Hon. Abner Coburn and inform him that he has been duly elected Governor of Maine for the current political year. This order came from the Senate passed and Messrs. Woods of Kennebec, Moore of Somerset, and Philbrick of Cumberland were appointed on the part of the Senate. Read and passed in concurrence and Messrs. Cony of Augusta, Perkins of Kennebunkport, Grant of Ellsworth, Manson of Bangor, Hopkinson of Fort Fairfield,

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Thundy of Searsport and Buckman of Eastport, were joined to the Committee on the part of the House.

Mr. Coney from this Committee subsequently reported that the 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 qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties

On motion of Mr. Hayden of Bath, the Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate proposing a Joint Convention of the Legislature in the Hall of Representatives, this day at eleven and one half oclock for the purpose of administering the oaths of office to the Governor elect and of receiving such communication as he might be pleased to make.

A message was subsequently received from the Senate, through its Secretary, signifying its concurrence in the proposition of the House.

The hour assigned for the Convention having arrived, the Senate came in and a Convention was formed.

In Convention.

On motion of Mr. Roberts of Waldo, that gentleman was charged with and conveyed a message to the Governor elect, informing him that both branches of the Legislature were in waiting and ready to administer to him the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

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Mr. Roberts subsequently reported he had delivered the message with which he was charged and the Governor elect was pleased to say that he would attend forthwith for the purposes indicated.

Whereupon the Hon. Abner Coburn, Governor elect, accompanied by His Excellency, Hon. Israel Washburn, Jr. and the Executive Council and attended by the Heads of Departments, came in, and in presence of both branches of the Legislature in Convention assembled, before the President of the Senate took and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution 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 and suite retired.

On motion of Mr. Woods of Kennebec,

That gentleman was charged with a message to His Excellency the Governor, inquiring whether he had any communication to make to the Legislature.

That Senator subsequently reported he had discharged the duty assigned him and the Governor was pleased to say he would transmit through the Secretary of State to the Convention information upon the affairs and conditions of the State.

Whereupon a message was received through the Secretary of State transmitting an Address by His Excellency to the Convention, and the same was read and is as follows;—

"Gentlemen of the Senate
and House of Representatives;

The political year which has just closed,

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and the one on which we have entered, will be recorded as the most important and critical in the history of this State and Nation. A war of gigantic proportions has been raging for a period of twenty-one months, with varying fortune, with combatants constantly increasing in number, and with a stake at issue whose decision may affect for weal or woe, not only and the unborn generations of our people, but popular rights and free institutions throughout Christendom.

In a contest of such magnitude, involving such momentous results, our own State has participated to the full extent demanded by her patriotism and her duty. From the hour that troops were first summoned by the Federal Executive for the defense of the national life, down to the present moment, our State has been zealously engaged in filling the ranks of the Union Army. Within the entire period we have enlisted and sent to the field twenty-eight Regiments of Infantry, one Regiment of Cavalry, six Batteries of Light Artillery, and one Company of Sharpshooters, besides furnishing four Companies of Heavy Artillerists to man and guard the principal forts on our extended seaboard. These several Regiments and Companies, including the recruits that have been raised for them since they entered upon active service, present an aggregate of 33,137 men as Maine's direct contribution in defence of the Union. In addition to this large body of volunteers, our citizens have enlisted in the regiments of other States and in the Regular Army to the number of 2,947 men, accurately estimated from the returns made by towns in answering the demands made upon

them under the late calls of the President for troops.

The total quota of troops demanded of Maine up to this time by the War Department, amounts to something less than the number we have actually furnished. The patriotism of our State has even surpassed the demands which the national exigency has made upon it. We have not only sent all the men asked of us, but we have sent good men and brave men. In a contest where all the loyal States have responded so nobly, it would be invidious and indeed positively offensive for any one to arrogate peculiar and superior merit. We only claim with others to have done our part, and we recur with unfeigned pride to the fact that on every battle field where Maine troops have been called to participate, they have acquitted themselves with valor and with honor — making a record of patriotic heroism which it will be alike the pride and duty of the State to cherish and perpetuate.

In addition to the men that Maine has furnished to the army of Volunteers, we have contributed to the Naval and Marine service more largely in proportion to our population than any other State. The habits and occupation of a considerable number of our people fit them pre-eminently for this service, and it is gratifying to know that our shipping ports and Coast towns have sent forth swarms of hardy and well trained seamen to maintain the honor of our flag upon the ocean. It is greatly to be regretted that the mode of enlistment in the Navy Department does not accurately, if at all, exhibit the nativity and citizenship of those who enter its service. If it did, we should find, according to our best estimates,

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the names of at least 4000 Maine men enrolled in the Regular and Volunteer Navy since the war commenced. For this large contribution the State has received no credit in any of the calls for volunteers for the army and the result has been that in our maratime towns the call for troops has operated with peculiar hardship, though in almost every instance it has been responded to with with the most patriotic readiness. Should the vicissitudes of war necessitate a further call for troops, it is respectfully submitted that in apportioning the quotas of the various States, an allowance should be made to Maine for the number of men she has contributed to the Naval service.

Very full and satisfactory details of all that relates to our troops, the mode of their enlistment, their numbers, their condition and their achievements, will be furnished in the forthcoming report of the Adjutant General. Among the most gratifying facts exhibited is that the immense host which has gone from Maine, amounting in the aggregate for all branches of the service, to 70.084 men, is literally an army of volunteers. The men have been raised without resorting in any appreciable degree, to the draft. Indeed it may be said with truth that every soldier from Maine is a volunteer; for in the few towns where a draft was ordered, a bounty was given to those who were selected with which to procure substitutes if they were reluctant to enter the service. The fact that our quotas have thus been filled, is an honorable proof of the patriotism of our citizens, and will ever form

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one of the proudest chapters in the history of the State.

In several of our sister States provision has been made for allowing those absent as soldiers in the Union Army to vote at the general election. I think this practice is wise, expedient and just. It would seem absolutely unfair and unequal that those who are periling so much for the common weal should be deprived in the slightest degree of the common benefits and common privileges of the citizen. We all owe an immeasurable debt of gratitude to those who are battling in the field for our civil rights and our nationality; and it certainly becomes us to manifest our appreciation of their heroic devotion and patriotism, not by mere words of eulogy or thanks, but by substantial tokens of our sympathy and our regard. I recommend, therefore, that adequate provision be made for allowing our soldiers to vote while in service; and if the extension of this privilege should even require a change our our State Constitution, it would, I think, be wise to make it. This necessity might involve delay, but it would have a compensating advantage in the fact that the change, when made, would embody the direct will of the people and would have the stability of organic law.

The condition of the State Finances will be fully exhibited in the Report of the Treasurer, soon to be laid before you. Our expenditures have been increased in various ways by the existence of the war, but not in such a manner as to embarrass the Treasury, oppress the people, or affect our credit. Indeed at no

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previous period have our State bonds commanded so high a premium in the market as they have during the past year. Let it be our constant aim, by prudence and economy in our expenditures, and by the most rigid observance of public faitte, to maintain our State credit untarnished through all the mutations and trials to which we may be subjected.

At the outbreak of the rebellion our State debt amounted to $699,000; of this sum $250,000 was on account of the Massachusetts lands, purchased in 1858, and the remainder was incurred during the Aroostook war and in the years anterior thereto. During the year 1861, war loans were negotiated to the gross amount of $800,000, while in March last the maturing installment of the old debt amounting to $31,000 was paid. The precise bonded debt of the State at this time, therefore, is $1,469,000.

The total outlay from the Treasury on account of this war, up to the close of the past year, amounts to $1,127,767,52. It is confidently asserted that these expenditures have been characterized by the most judicious economy, and the accounts have been kept with accuracy and perspicuity, sustained throughout by the most amply authenticated vouchers Primarily the whole sum thus expended, constitutes a claim against the United States, and up to this time accounts in detail to the amount of $1,091,069,61, have been presented to the Federal Treasury for auditing and liquidation, leaving a balance of $36,697,91 yet to be presented.

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On these accounts the Secretary of the Treasury has paid $321.11111. He has further ordered our State to be credited with the payment of its share of the direct tax under the twenty million bill of August 5. 1861. This tax after the deduction of 15 per centum for the States assumption of its payment amounted to $357,702,11, and its credit to us, together with the $321.11111 just named, make an aggregate payment to us, from the Federal Treasury, of $677,702.10 on account — leaving still a balance in our favor of $451.065,42, to be farther increased, as just mentioned, by the sum of $36.697.91. Of this sum it is entirely probable that the amount paid as bounties to the first ten Regiments, viz; $196.897.41, will not be allowed, and hence the amount to be expected from the General Government is $289.865.92. This will doubtless be paid to us in cash or its equivalent, as soon as the accounts shall have been audited by the proper bureau in the Treasury Department. The latest information we have, as to the accounts, however, does not lead us to expect their payment in season to have the money used for any of the appropriations you may be called on to make at this session.

The exigencies of the past year, in enlisting additional troops, under the calls of the President, compelled the raising of large sums of money for the payment of bounties, which it seemed not only expedient, but absolutely necessary to give. The amount desired was advanced by various banks, on the request of my predecessor, in the full

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faith that you would legalize the transaction and assume payment of whatever is due. I take it for granted there will be no hesitation in adopting this course. The action of my predecessor was, doubtless, in accordance with the wishes of a very large majority of our people: it was dictated by the highest patriotism, and it was done when the exigency was so pressing that it was deemed impracticable to assemble the Legislature for reasonable co-operation in securing a loan. The total sum thus negotiated with the interest accrued, amounts to some $3410.0000, and the details of its expenditure will be fully exhibited in the Report of the Adjutant General. I respectfully urge that you provide promptly for its payment.

A further use of the State credit will be called for in carrying out the provisions of "an act in aid of the families of volunteers," passed by the last Legislature. The act contemplates the assumption by the State, within certain prescribed limits, of of whatever expenditures towns may make to aid the families of those who are in the ranks of the Union Army. Its object is just and beneficent, and its effect has been very marked in inducing men to enlist, who would have been loth to go, had they not seen this provision made for those dependent on them for support. In this view, the act constitutes a species of contract on the part of the State, with the soldiers, and we thus stand pledged to its faithful observance. Its repeal, or any modification

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which would render it less beneficial to those for whose advantage it was intended, would be a breach of faith on the part of the State. The maintenance of the act in its full spirit and effect has, therefore, passed from a question of legislative expediency, to one of public honor.

There is a change, however, which may be made in it, entirely consistent with the views just expressed. By the 4th section of the act, it is directed that the amounts found due to the several towns shall, on the first day of March, be passed to their credit by the State Treasurer "in a book kept for that purpose, and shall draw interest on and after that date. And on the said first day of March the Treasurer shall issue to such city, town or plantation in his capacity of Treasurer, his scrip for the amount found due to each, respectively, made payable to the order of such city, town or plantation, at the State Treasurer's office, at the pleasure of the State, with annual interest."

I think this mode of paying the towns, is unsatisfactory, and for many reasons objectionable. It will prove inconvenient to the towns to have running accounts with the State and settlements by small due bills, while it will increase the labor of the Treasurer and be derogatory to the State, to have its obligations floating about for small sums which ought at once to be liquidated by cash payment. I recommend, therefore, that the section be so amended as to direct the Treasurer to pay the ascertained dues to these towns in cash, on the first day of March; and if the current funds in the

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Treasury are insufficient therefor, that he be authorized to negociate a loan for the purpose. Not the least advantage to the State, in this arrangement, is the saving of interest on all payments made with current funds, and the gain of the premium by negotiating a regular loan, when extra funds become necessary.

The total receipts into the Treasury, from all sources, for the year 1862, amounted to $659,812.03, and the expenditures were $633,893.12, leaving a balance of $94,353.54, in the Treasury on the 1st of the present month. Full details, under these heads, will be found in the Treasurer's Report. The State Tax was increased, by the last Legislature, to $413,074.41, in view of the extraordinary expenditures entailed by the times. As compared with a large majority of the States in the Union, our tax is still a very moderate one, and indeed, of the total tax paid by our own people, it constitutes a much smaller proportion than is generally supposed. It is now at the rate of two and a half mills to the dollar, whereas the ~~tax~~ actually assessed for all purposes, in the various towns and cities, ranges from 9 to 13 mills; very few towns being under the first named figure. It will thus be seen that the burdens imposed by the State Government, are in no sense oppressive. Indeed, considering the duties of the State Government, its large and beneficent field of usefulness, in its Executive, Judicial and Legislative functions, it may well be affirmed that no other form of civil administration was ever maintained, at once so effective and so cheap.

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I have already alluded to the fact that within the past year the sum of $30.0000 of the State debt was paid. During the present year $50.0000 more will mature, and I earnestly recommend that it be paid, instead of being renewed, as has too frequently been our custom in the past. The policy of liquidation, in my judgment, is the true, safe and wisely economical one for the State to adopt. Whatever may be the theory or the truth in regard to the advantages of a national debt, I do not think that a State debt should remain unpaid a day longer than the time when the people can discharge it without specially or unduly burdening themselves with taxation. Our debt other than that contracted on account of the war, all falls due between this and the close of the year 1877, in annual sums varying in amount from $30.0000 to $1.0000, averaging precisely $14.600 per year. It will be evidently the part of wisdom to pay these sums as they mature. The annual payment will be easy, and the aggregate relief will be great. The whole of the war loan thus far negotiated ($8.000.0000) matures in 1871. At present therefore, we cannot do anything directly toward its payment, but a wise provision may be made for meeting a large portion of it when it falls due, by making a Sinking fund of whatever sums may be re-imbursed to us by the Federal Government on account of war expenditures. To this Sinking fund, in itself a stimulant to economy, might be profitably added any surplus which a rigid care in the administration of our affairs may leave at the close of each year.

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Keeping the policy of liquidation steadily in view, and providing for it by such means as your wisdom may suggest, we shall not only decrease the State expenditures with certainty and rapidity, but shall maintain our State credit in so enviable a condition that we shall find it available whenever an unforeseen exigency may require us to use it.

In authorizing the Treasurer to negotiate such loans as may be necessary, I would suggest whether it would not be expedient to fix the rate of interest at five per cent. In the present surplus of money seeking investment, State stocks of such high character as ours are regarded as specially desirable. I do not doubt that a five per cent stock will be taken at par, and if negotiated, as will be expedient, for a long period, this rate will be more advantageous to us than a six per cent stock at the highest premium we could hope to realize. I submit the matter to your most attentive consideration.

The appropriation for military purposes the past year was not sufficient to meet the legitimate drafts upon it, and, hence, there is a small deficit which it will devolve on you to supply. So long as we have troops in the field, especially in such large numbers, the State will have duties to discharge in regard to them, on the score of humanity and of that watchful interest and solicitude which Maine will always cherish for her sons. The health and comfort of the troops can be greatly promoted by this care on the part of the State, and to enable it to be exercised with promptness and efficiency the means must be sup-

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plied by an appropriation, which I am sure you will not hesitate to make.

I cannot leave the subject of our State finances without adverting to the necessity, and enjoining upon you the duty, of rigid care in all your appropriations. Public economy, always expedient, has become now, a sacred obligation upon us all. I ask you, therefore, to curtail expenditure in every practicable way; to infuse a spirit of thrift and rigid accountability in all the departments of our government, and to do everything that enlightened experience may suggest to ease the burdens of the people and advance the general prosperity. In all measures having these great objects in view, it will be no less my pleasure than my highest public duty to co-operate.

The general suspension of specie payments in the country more than a year ago, included of necessity the banking institutions in our own State, and such suspension was temporarily legalized by the act of the Legislature, approved February 11th 1862. The operation of the act expires by express limitation on the tenth of this month, and it may be necessary for you to take some further action in order to avoid the complications and troubles that might arise from any attempt to enforce the provisions of the 47th chapter of the Revised Statutes, which impose certain penalties upon banking corporations for refusing to redeem their bills, checks and drafts in specie. The question is of course affected, if not radically changed, by the law of Congress making Treasury

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notes a legal tender for debts — applying, of course, to debts of banks as well as debts of individuals — but it may at the same time be prudent, so long as actual payment of specie is not practicable, to make our own statutes correspond in letter to the supreme enactment of Congress, and the equally imperious law of necessity.

The specie suspension has not been followed in our State by any of those evil results which so many feared and anticipated. Indeed our banks were rarely, if ever, in a sounder condition than they are to-day. As compared with last year, their circulation has, indeed, increased nearly two millions, but the balances to their credit at the point of redemption have increased by nearly the same sum, while their aggregate amount of specie, notwithstanding the great temptation to sell presented by the high premium, has decreased by only some $4 11.111 11. They hold moreover nearly two millions of dollars in Government securities. The healthful and prosperous condition of the community is also seen in the fact that deposits have increased by more than a million and a half of dollars, while individual indebtedness to the banks has decreased by a still larger sum. The Savings Banks of the State exhibit an aggregate increase in deposits of more than $25 11.111 11, while the total amount of their deposits is well nigh $2.110 11.111 11. These facts, together with many others, which will be presented in faithful detail in the Report of the Bank Commissioners, are highly gratifying and encouraging. They assure us that our financial

institutions are conducted with prudence and honesty; and they prove that notwithstanding the many fears and predictions to the contrary, our State has rarely had a year of sounder prosperity in business affairs than the one which has just closed.

The Report of the Land Agent will present to you the condition of that Department. The proceeds in cash paid into the Treasury the past year amount to $25.777.27.

The State owns at the present time about two million acres of land, of which only about one fourth, at the most, can with any propriety be called timber lands. The other three fourths pass under the name of "settling lands," though a considerable portion thereof is rocky, sterile and uninviting. The best portions of the public lands, including those sections in the counties of Penobscot and Aroostook, were with certain specified reservations, granted to aid the construction of the Aroostook Rail Road, by act of the Legislature of March, 8th 1861. The grant was made, however, by the terms of the act, to "take effect and be in force after the city of Bangor shall have voted to loan the credit of said city, in conformity with the act of March, 20, 1860, and not before."

On the 19th of March last, the question of loaning the city credit in aid of the enterprise was submitted to the voters of Bangor, according to the terms of the act referred to, and it was decided adversely to the loan. As the act ceased to be operative by its own terms, on the succeeding day, the lands immediately reverted to the State, and are now in the same

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condition as to ownership that they were before the Aroostook Rail Road bill was passed.

It is greatly to be hoped that the effort to construct this important line of Rail Road will not be permanently abandoned. The enterprise has not yet had a fair trial, for contemporaneous with its inception came our unhappy civil troubles, deranging most seriously our channels of business, and putting an effectual check upon all enterprises that involved time, labor and the outlay of money. But while the disturbed condition of the country has postponed the effort to construct the railroad, it has developed and demonstrated a necessity for it in a larger sense than was claimed when it secured the favorable countenance of our State Government. For it cannot be denied that the experience of the past year has shown that while the road may be highly desirable and advantageous to Maine, as an avenue of business, it is absolutely essential to the nation as a great line of military defense. With the road finished to the eastern line of the State, tapping the valley of the St. John, our Government could easily and effectually prevent the hostile and dangerous movements of troops by the only nation that possesses any special power to menace or injure us. Distant be the day when we shall be at open war with Great Britain! and distant it will be, if we have the safeguards which the exigencies of the times and the nature of our position admonish us so urgently to provide. I shall esteem it a privilege to co-operate with you in all measures that shall tend to bring this very important subject to the atten-

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tion and the appreciation of the General Government.

In the last annual address of my honorable predecessor, he presented with eloquence and force the great national advantages to be derived from the establishment of a naval and military station at Portland, on a scale proportioned to the possible requirements of the future. I can add nothing to what was so well said on that occasion, and beg only to repeat the suggestion, and to urge upon you the propriety of exerting whatever influence the State may bring to bear, morally and materially, to accomplish an object so desirable. The commanding position of Portland, the experience, and still more, the menaces of the past, to say nothing of the possible if not probable dangers of the future, conspire to urge this measure upon our State and upon our nation with the most impressive earnestness.

Whatever may have been the differing opinions among us prior to the present war, in regard to the necessity of an efficient military system, it may be safely affirmed that our late experience has produced a very general feeling in its favor.

A movement in the right direction for reorganizing our forces was made by the last legislature, in the passage of "an act to enroll the militia of the State." How far and how perfectly the details of that act have been carried out, you will learn from the Report of the Adjutant General. How far beyond the provisions of that act it may be expedient to go at this time, I do not

myself feel prepared to say, but respectfully leave the subject to your discretion. It may be worth your while, however, to consider whether, if you should complete the organization of the militia at this time, you will not lose the valuable counsel of those who are acquiring military knowledge in the best of our schools, and at the same time ignore the claims of those who have the highest title to whatever military honors the State may have the power to bestow. How far considerations of public prudence and personal justice may strengthen these suggestions, I leave to your unbiased judgment.

The Legislature of 1861 passed a resolve providing for a Scientific Survey of the State, and appropriated three thousand dollars in aid of the object. A similar amount was appropriated by the last Legislature for the continuance of the work. The practical value of what has been done can be judged by you from the Reports of those who conduct the Survey, shortly to be laid before you. It is understood that another year's work will complete the undertaking as originally designed, and I respectfully recommend that the amount be granted for the purpose.

Whatever tends to develope a knowledge of the capacities of the State, is certainly worthy of our highest encouragement. With our immense area, our varied resources, our unparalleled advantages for commerce and our boundless facilities for manufacturing of all kinds, our State should take rank for wealth and prosperity

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with the foremost of the Union. But we are as yet comparatively in our infancy. Of our 22.000.000. acres of land not more than one fifth has been brought under even nominal cultivation. Our mineral resources remain almost untouched, while our manufacturing advantages have been improved just enough to show their unrivaled excellance and unlimited capacity. Wise legislation may do much to promote these various interests, while unwise laws may fatally retard their developement.

During the past year the Agricultural interest, the most important and rapidly increasing one of our State, has secured a very valuable recognition in the establishment of a Department of Agriculture by the National Government, and also in the passage by Congress of an act making donations of public lands to the several States for the purpose of founding Agricultural Colleges. The amount of land given is thirty thousand acres for each United States Senator, and the same quantity for each Representative, under the apportionment made in pursuance of the census of 1860. The aggregate grant to this State, therefore, is 210.000 acres. An authentic copy of the act is herewith transmitted, as it contains many details proper for your examination. There can be no doubt, I think, that vast benefits will flow from this act, and I have no hesitation in urging upon you the prompt acceptance of its terms and conditions. As none of the proceeds arising from a sale of the lands can be devoted

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to the erection of buildings, it may be expedient and indeed absolutely necessary, to allow some of our existing institutions to avail themselves of the benefit of the grant, provided satisfactory guarantees can be given that its design will be faithfully carried out. The amount to be realized in cash from the grant will of course be very considerable, though from various causes, not necessary to enumerate, it will be very far below the estimates which many have been led to indulge. It is rare that a question of more immediate or more far-reaching consequence is submitted to the action of a Legislature. The acceptance of the act imposes very considerable responsibilities on the State, and I am justified in assuming that you will exercise the soundest discretion in any disposition you may make of the munificent gift now placed under your control.

On the eleventh day of September, 1854, our Government entered into a commercial arrangement with Great Britain, in relation to the trade of her North American Provinces, which arrangement is generally known as the Reciprocity Treaty. It was part of the agreement that it should remain in force for ten years, "and further until the expiration of twelve months after either of the high contracting parties shall have given notice to the other, of its wish to terminate the same; each of the said high contracting parties being at liberty to give such notice to the other, at the end of said term of ten years, or at any time afterwards."

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The last Legislature, by joint resolution, expressed the opinion that this treaty should be terminated, with a view of securing a more just and equitable accommodation of trade, with the British Provinces. I recommend that you give expression to similar views, in some formal and emphatic way, with the object of bringing whatever influence we can, to bear on Congress, for the accomplishment of the desired result. We have, of course, no direct legislative power over the question, but the deliberate and repeated expressions of a State, whose people are peculiarly and largely interested in the question, cannot fail to have a marked influence in settling the issue. It is neither my purpose, nor, indeed, my province, to present any lengthy details of the injurious workings of the Treaty. Elaborate investigations, made within the past two years, under the direction of Congress, clearly establish the fact that the spirit of reciprocal trade which was the basis of the Treaty, has not only been ignored by our Provincial neighbors, but oppressive duties, with stringent and hurtful discriminations, have been laid upon the products of our industry. Indeed, the treaty seems precisely adapted to the free admission of all the products of the Provinces which come into injurious competition with similar products of our own; while all the articles which we might profitably export are met at the Provincial line with customs charges, which strips us of all possible advantage in their markets.

The educational interests of the State are fully and ably set forth in the Report of the

Superintendent of Schools. It is one of our chief glories, that we provide; at the public expense, for the education of all the children of the State. Our fathers wisely imposed it as a constitutional duty, and we are reaping the rich advantages of their foresight and wisdom. While we may not be in a condition to make any extraordinary expenditure for educational purposes, it will be one of our highest duties to see that our schools are maintained in full vigor and usefulness, and that while other interests may suffer from the inevitable effects of war, the cultures of the young, shall in no wise be neglected or abated.

The annual Reports concerning our public institutions, will be promptly laid before you, and will exhibit to you their condition and progress.

The Hospital for the Insane, is in all respects, answering its beneficent designs, and its affairs are managed in the most satisfactory manner, by its able board of Trustees and its faithful and skillful Superintendent. It is not believed that any similar institution in the country, is conducted with more devoted philanthropy or with more eminent success.

The State Reform School, is undoubtedly doing a good work, in the discipline and reformation of juvenile offenders. Its annual expense has been very considerably reduced, as compared with a few years since, and its burdens on the Treasury are certainly outweighed by its benefits. Those who have officially visited and inspected the institution during the past year, speak in the high-

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est terms of its discipline, its general management, and its beneficent influence on those who are consigned to its care.

The affairs of the State Prisons, are given in more than ordinary detail in the Reports of the Inspectors and the Warden, and I respectfully ask your most attentive consideration of the facts presented. At no time, since the Prison was founded, has it reached a condition of self-support. The annual deficit has, of course, to be made up from the Treasury, and is, to that extent, a burden upon the people. Very strenuous efforts should be made to change this condition of affairs, and so organize the industry of the convicts, as to make it pay all the expenses of the Prisons. To this end, I deem it absolutely necessary that the labor of the convicts be leased to contractors, instead of the State itself attempting the business of manufacturing, as is now the case. It will be in my earnest endeavor, aided by your valuable co-operation, to devise some method which shall permanently improve the financial condition of the Prisons.

The term of one of the Senators in Congress from this State expires on the 3d of March next. It will be your duty to elect a successor.

While our immediate sphere of action is in the Administration of the State Government, I cannot close without adverting for a moment to our condition as a nation — our hopes, our prospects, our duties. We are well advanced in the second year of a war involving issues of the gravest moment to all

of us. The contest was precipitated by those who, no longer able to rule, were determined to ruin, the Government of the United States. The ostensible reason for secession was one which if admitted to have any force, would forthwith destroy every element of Democratic Republicanism which exists in our institutions — for if a constitutional majority of the people cannot have the right to elect the President of their choice, our form of Government is at an end, and its attempted perpetuation is a farce. From the day the Southern conspirators made open war on the United States, by assaulting Fort Sumter, the question passed to the arbitrament of the sword, and not to have accepted the issue would have been to basely surrender the life of the nation.

Thus far we have, with patriotic unanimity, sustained the President in all his efforts to subdue the Rebellion. The people of the loyal States have poured out their treasure and their blood in unstinted measure, and in their devotion to country men have forgotten the prejudices of party. Upon a continuance of this cordial co-operation of all loyal men hangs the fate of the nation, and hence with all earnestness, I exhort the people of this State to maintain a patriotic unity in support of the Government.

To the most superficial observer it has been evident from the beginning of the war that the insurgent States derived great strength from the labor of their slaves. It is their work that furnishes the Rebel Army with food and clothing and indirectly with all other supplies — leaving the white population, with trifling excep-

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tions, free to enlist as soldiers. Any policy which can detach the slaves from the rebels and make them a source of weakness rather than of strength, will prove a vital and decisive gain to the loyal side. It is with this view, as a military measure, clearly derived from the war power of the Constitution, that the President as Commander-in-Chief of the Army and Navy, issued on the first of the present month a Proclamation, declaring all the slaves in insurgent districts to be free.

The object of the war ever has been, still is and of right ought to be, as the President has well declared, the "restoration of the constitutional relations between the United States and each of the States." It is for this that the loyal States contend, and with nothing less will they ever be satisfied. The nature or severity of the means necessary to accomplish this end must of course be determined by the extent and the character of the resistance offered by the rebels. It was hoped at the beginning of the war that the national authority might be reasserted within a brief period, and with little disturbance to the mass of society in the revolted States. The conspiracy however, was too formidable, to admit this result, and the contest has steadily waxed more desperate. It is now deemed necessary, as a means of speedily and permanently regaining the ascendancy of national authority, to detach the slaves from the service of those who use them to promote rebellion. Whoever disputes the right of the Government to do this, raises to the extent of his influence,

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a potent defense for the Rebels. The alleged unconstitutionality of the proceeding implies the gross absurdity that the rebels in arms, trying to destroy our whole fabric of Government, are yet entitled to the most precious immunities of person and the most perfect rights of property which our constitution can guaranty. Such an assumption as this needs only to be mentioned to be refuted. The rebels are entitled at our hands during the war to nothing more and nothing less than the treatment prescribed by the laws of war, and we can, and ought and will seize every legitimate weapon to conquer their military power and reduce them to obedience to the Constitution of the United States.

It is on this ground that loyal men can rally with enthusiasm to the support of the President. And it will not abate the force of the new policy that its result is to give freedom to a race long oppressed, and to abolish an institution which has been the source of evil dissension at home, and the cause of shame and reproach to us abroad. It will be clearly within the dispensations of God's justice that a system of oppression, which violates the natural rights of man, which has always stirred up strife and contention, and which was the direct cause of our present troubles, should wither and perish in the wrathful storm which in its rage it dared to provoke.

The enlistment of the negroes for armed service, in holding Southern "forts, positions and stations," will be an immeasurable relief to the population of the North,

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as it will remove the necessity in any contingency, of a further call for troops to serve in the malarious climate of the Gulf States. To oppose this policy is to wantonly sacrafice the precious lives of our young men, by exposing them to an extra-hazardous service, which negroes can perform without any risk. The testimony of our revolutionary Generals, and of Jackson and Harrison in the last war with Great Britain, conclusively establishes the fact that under good discipline negroes make good soldiers. Let us give them a generous opportunity to prove themselves. The war is one which, in its incidents, is to result in their enfranchisement, and they will be far better prepared to enjoy their freedom, rationally and profitably, by having participated in the contest which results in its acquirement. No other nation would have hesitated so long to use this potential weapon, and we have endangered our cause abroad, if not at home, by the inexplicable timidity which has marked our course in regard to it. Let us now give it a vigorous trial. Those among us who have no sympathy with the result which this policy brings to the slave, may at least, congratulate themselves that its firm enforcement will save the lives of thousands of white men, who might otherwise be exposed to disease, destitution and death.

As a loyal man, anxious only to do my duty as a citizen and a Magistrate, I can see no line of patriotism or of safety, except in a cordial, unreserved support of the policy enunciated by the President. To resist, or

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combine against it, is to run all the hazards of anarchy. If, as a people, we stand firmly by that policy, we shall conquer; and the nation will come forth from the fiery ordeal through which we are passing, purified, strengthened, invincible. But if we divide into hostile factions, and spend our energies in fruitless, petty contests with each other, it needs no prophet to foretell the result of the pending issue, or to write the deep humiliation and disgrace to be forever associated with a degenerate people, who had neither the spirit nor the patriotism to maintain the nationality bequeathed to them by a heroic ancestry.

We enter upon public duty, Gentlemen, at a time of unusual responsibility, when human wisdom alone may well be distrusted. But relying upon the guidance of that Gracious Being who hath so bountifully blessed us as a nation, and who chastiseth but in mercy, let us, in humility and yet in confidence, address ourselves to the conscientious discharge of the trusts committed to us by the people of our beloved State.

Abner Coburn.

The Convention was then dissolved.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Bill An Act ceding Jurisdiction over certain Lands in Seavey Island in the Town of Kittery to the United States, presented by leave, by Mr. Kingsbury of Portland.

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On motion of the same gentleman the rules were suspended, the bill read three times, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Lowell of Lewiston

Adjourned.

Attest:

Charles A. Miller,

Clerk.

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Friday, January, 9. 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Ballou of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Mr. Hayden of Bath announced the attendance of Charles Foster, Representative elect from the town of Bowdoin. Mr. Hayden accompanied the gentleman to the Council Chamber, where he took and subscribed the oaths of office required by the Constitution to enable him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

On motion of Mr. Cony of Augusta,
Ordered, That 2500 copies of the Message of the Governor to the Legislature be printed for the use of this House.

The Speaker announced the following standing Committees of the House:—

<u>On Finance.</u>

Messrs. Cobb of Rockland,
Cony " Augusta
Stetson " Bangor
Tickery " Cape Elizabeth
Copeland " Calais
Drummond " Bath
Perkins " Kennebunkport.

<u>On Elections.</u>

Messrs. Manson of Bangor
Hayden " Bath

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Hopkinson of Ft. Fairfield,
McLellan " Portland.
Bradford " Winthrop
Grant " Ellsworth
Page " Berwick.

Petition of Smith C. Pung for change of name presented by leave by Mr. Grant of Ellsworth and on his motion laied upon the table.

Remonstrance of Reuben Merrill of Yarmouth against the right of Nathaniel Gooch to a seat in this House.

Remonstrance of John W. Golden against the right of Samuel Bruce to hold a seat in this House.

Referred to Committee on Elections.

A message was received from the Senate through its Secretary, proposing a Joint Convention of the Legislature in the Hall of Representatives this day at 11½ o'clock for the purpose of electing a Secretary of State, Attorney General, Adjutant General and seven Executive Councillors.

The Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate signifying the concurrence of the House in the Senate proposition for a Convention and proposing the hour of 11 o'clock instead of 11½ o'clock.

The concurrence of the Senate in the change of the hour was communicated to the House.

The hour for the Convention having arri-

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ed, the Senate came in and a Convention was formed:

In Convention.

On motion of Mr. Starr of Knox,
Messrs. Starr of Knox, Elliott of Cumberland
Duren of Washington, Lothrop of Leeds, Hatha-
way of Skowhegan, Burgess of Old Town and
Copeland of Calais were appointed a Com-
mittee to receive, sort and count the votes
for Secretary of State.

Having attended to that duty the Com-
mittee reported

Whole number of votes	162
Necessary for a choice	82
Joseph B. Hall has	120
A. P. Gould "	42

The report was accepted and Hon.
Joseph B. Hall was declared duly elected
Secretary of State for the current political
year.

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On motion of Mr. Stevens of Oxford,
Messrs. Stevens of Oxford, Milliken of Hancock
Doe of York, Moore of Bancroft, Swift of Brun-
wick, Small of Machiasport, and Day of Stow
were appointed a Committee to receive, sort
and count the votes for Attorney General

Having attended to that duty the Com-
mittee reported;—

Whole number of votes	161
Necessary for a choice	81
Josiah H. Drummond has	121
Samuel J. Anderson "	36
John L. Hodsdon. "	2

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Wm. H. Burrill has

The report was accepted and Hon. Josiah H. Drummond was declared duly elected Attorney General for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. Cony of Augusta, the Committee appointed to receive, sort and count the votes for Secretary of State were appointed to receive, sort and count the votes for Adjutant General.

Having attended to that duty, the Committee reported;-

Whole number of votes	163
Necessary for a choice	82
John L. Hodsdon has	127
Wm. H. Burrill "	36.

The report was accepted and Gen. John L. Hodsdon was declared duly elected Adjutant General for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. Milliken of Kennebec, The same Committee were directed to receive, sort and count the votes for seven Executive Councillors.

Having attended to that duty the Committee reported;-

Whole number of votes	161
Necessary for a choice	82
John J. Perry has	128
Charles Holden "	128
Horace B. Prescott "	129
James Bell "	129
Raymond L. Rich "	128
Charles Stetson "	128

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Ebenezer Woodbury	has	129
Israel Chadbourne	"	40
Sewall C. Strout	"	40
R. H. Bridgham	"	40
Samuel Taylor	"	40
S. R. Bray	"	38
Josiah Bruce	"	40
Joseph Chase	"	39
J. R. Bray	"	2

The report was accepted and Messrs. John J. Perry, Charles Holden, Horace B. Prescott, James Bell, Raymond S. Rich, Charles Stetson and Ebenezer Woodbury were declared duly elected Executive Councillors for the current political year.

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

On motion of Mr. Nelson of Bangor,
Ordered, That the subject of our defences in the North East and the necessary military connections therewith, be referred to a Joint Select Committee.

On motion of Mr. Crosby of Dexter,
Ordered, That a Joint Select Committee of seven on the part of the House and such as the Senate may join, be raised, whose duty shall be to investigate the affairs of the Land office so far as to ascertain whether any, and if any, what reduction can be made in the expenses of that office consistently with the interests of the State and to report by bill

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or otherwise.

The foregoing orders were read and passed.

On motion of Mr. Kingsbury of Portland,
Ordered, That on Tuesday next, the 13th inst. at 12 oclock noon, both branches of the Legislature will proceed to ballot for a Senator to serve in the Senate of the United States from this State for a term of six years from and after the 4th day of March next. And if any person shall be elected in either branch, the result shall be communicated to the other by message. And if the Senate and House of Representatives shall elect the same person such person shall be considered as elected by the Legislature to be Senator as aforesaid and the fact shall be communicated to the Governor by message from each House.

And if either House shall fail to make an election on the first ballot, the balloting shall be continued in each House until the adjournment thereof on that day and afterwards from day to day from 12 oclock at noon until its adjournment until an election shall be made or until otherwise ordered. And if the Senate and House of Representatives shall elect different persons each House shall proceed to ballot as hereinbefore provided and until the same person shall be elected in both, or until otherwise ordered.

Read and paised and sent up for concurrence.

Bill An Act to continue in force the

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provisions of Chapter 71 of the Laws of 1862, concerning the suspension of specie payments, came from the Senate passed to be engrossed On motion of Mr. Hazeltine of Belfast, the rules were suspended, bill read three times, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Cony of Augusta,

Adjourned.

Attest

Chas. A. Nichols

Clerk.

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Saturday, January, 10. 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Dr. Tappan of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Mr. Jellison of Biddeford announced the attendance of John M. Goodwin, Representative elect from Biddeford. Mr. Jellison accompanied the Representative elect to the Council Chamber, where he took and subscribed the oaths of office.

Orders from the Senate;—

Ordered, That there be appointed a Committee consisting 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 Legislature and report what disposition ought to be made of the same.

This order came from the Senate passed and Messrs. Merrow of Sagadahoc, Seabury of Piscataquis and Elliott of Cumberland appointed on the part of the Senate. Passed in concurrence and Messrs. Bibee of Camden, Shea of Lisbon, Holyoke of Brewer, Boothby of Parsonsfield, Tarbox of Robbinston, Tucker of Sangerville and Watts of New Gloucester were joined to said Committee on the part of the House.

Ordered, That a Committee of three on the

part of the Senate with such as the House may join be appointed to prepare and report a code of Joint Rules and Orders for the Government of the two Houses for 1863.

This order came from the Senate read and passed and Messrs. Woods of Kennebec Duren of Washington, Doe of York, appointed said committee on the part of the Senate. Read and passed in concurrence and Messrs. Crosby of Dexter, Kingsbury of Portland Blake of Bangor, Cony of Augusta, Hopkinson of Fort Fairfield, Delay of Gardiner and Hodgman of Warren were joined to said Committee on the part of the House.

The Speaker announced the Committee on the part of the House on the order relating to the Land Office ;- Messrs. Crosby of Dexter, Kingsbury of Portland, Cony of Augusta, Hopkinson of Fort Fairfield, Hobson of Miscaset, Chase of Turner, and Dyer of New Sharon.

The Speaker announced the Committee on Engrossed Bills, as follows ;-

Messrs. Trundy of Searsport.
Hodgman " Warren
Stickney " Perry
Hanson " Sanford
Stacy " Porter
Warren " Veazie
Davis " Solon.

Bill An Act to continue in force the provisions of chapter 71 of the Laws of 186?, concerning the suspension of specie payments.

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Bill an Act ceding Jurisdiction over certain Lands on Slavey Island in the Town of Kittery to the United States.

These bills having had three several readings and passed to be engrossed, reported by Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, were passed to be enacted, each signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Hayden of Bath,
Ordered That the Credentials of the Members of the House be taken from the files and referred to the Committee on Elections.

A communication was received from the Hon. Josiah H. Drummond, signifying his acceptance of the office of Attorney General.

A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary informing the House that a vacancy exists in the 16th Senatorial District, that the Hon. Isaac Hacker and George F. Haskell are the constitutional candidates, and proposing a joint Convention of the Legislature this day at 11 oclock for the purpose of filling the vacancy.

On motion of Mr. Hopkinson of Ft. Fairfield, the House non-concurred in this proposition and proposed Tuesday next at 11 oclock for the purpose indicated.

The Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate signifying the action of the House.

Subsequently a message was received from the Senate signifying the concurrence of that

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branch in the House proposition.

A message was received from the Senate through its Secretary signifying the concurrence of the Senate in the Legislative order of the 9th inst. relating to the election of United States Senator.

On motion of Mr. Cony of Augusta,
Ordered, That when this House adjourns, it shall adjourn to Monday the 12th inst. at 11 o'clock A.M. and until otherwise ordered 11 o'clock A.M. shall be the hour of meeting on Mondays.

On motion of Mr. Haskell of Poland,

Adjourned.

Attest

Chas. A. Millis

Clerk.

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Monday. January. 12. 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

No chaplain present.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Order from the Senate; —
Ordered that the Chaplains of this Legislature be allowed the privileges of the State Library, on the same terms as the members of the Legislature.
Passed in concurrence.

A communication was received from the State Treasurer transmitting for distribution the annual statement and account of the receipts and disbursements of the Treasury Department for the year ending Dec. 31. 1862.

Order from the Senate.
Ordered that the report of the Treasurer this day laid before the Legislature be referred to a Joint Select Committee of three on the part of the Senate with such as the House may join, came from the Senate passed and Messrs. White of Waldo, Reed of Lincoln and Spring of Cumberland appointed on the part of the Senate.

Passed in concurrence and Messrs. Cobb of Rockland, Leavy of Augusta, Stetson of Bangor, Vickery of Cape Elizabeth, Copeland of Calais, Drummond of Bath and Perkins of Kennebunkport joined on the part of the House.

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On motion of Mr. Thing of Mt. Vernon,
Ordered That so much of the Governor's address as relates to an act entitled an act in aid of the families of volunteers, be referred to a Joint Select Committee consisting of one from each county on the part of the House with such as the Senate may join.

On motion of Mr. Talbot of East Machias,
Ordered, That so much of the Governors Message as relates to advances made by the several Banks of this State on the request of Gov. Washburn for the payment of State Bounties to Volunteers under the call of the President of the United States, be referred to the Committee on Finance, with instructions to report Resolves for reimbursing the same.

Order from the Senate relating to the reference of the Governor's Address to appropriate Committees came from the Senate passed and Messrs. Barrows of Oxford, Woods of Kennebec, and Emerson of Hancock appointed on the part of the Senate.

Passed in concurrence and Messrs. Hayden of Bath, Foster of Newry, Chase of Lincoln, Dudley of Phippsburg, Parker of Gorham, Ripley of Newburg and Small of Machiasport were joined on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. Corey of Augusta,

Adjourned.

Attest

Chas. A. Miller Cl. H. R.

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Tuesday, January, 13th 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Penney of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved,

Mr. Hayden of Bath announced the attendance of Francis O. J. Smith, Representative elect from Westbrook. Mr. Hayden accompanied the Representative elect to the Council Chamber where he took and subscribed the oaths required by law to enable him to act upon the discharge of his official duties.

On motion of Mr. Shaw of Portland,

Ordered, That the use of this Hall be tendered to Rev. Cyril Pearl of Portland, to deliver one or more lectures in relation to our country and its crisis, and that Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, the 20th and 21st of the present month be assigned for this purpose.

A communication was received from the Hon. Joseph B. Hall signifying his acceptance of the office of Secretary of State.

A communication was received from Gen. John L. Hodsdon signifying his acceptance of the office of Adjutant General.

Order from the Senate referring all petitions for private legislation presented after the 15th of February, to the next Legislature,

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came from the Senate passed, and was passed in concurrence.

Order relating to the reference of so much of the Governor's Address as relates to an Agricultural College came from the Senate refers to the Joint Select Committee on the Governor's message.

Passed in concurrence.

Order from the Senate, providing for a Joint Select Committee on Printing and Binding came from the Senate passed and Messrs. Emerson of Hancock, Spring of Cumberland, and Roberts of Waldo appointed on the part of the Senate.

Read and passed in concurrence and Messrs. Hobson of Piscasset, Hopkinson of Fort Fairfield, Bradbury of Springfield, Moxie of Fairfield, Chase of Turner, Rogers of Kittery and Thing of Mt. Vernon were joined to said Committee on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. Cony of Augusta,
Ordered That the Adjutant General be requested to communicate to this House the amount of money disbursed during the year 1862 in payment of State Bounties to volunteers, also the names of the Banks which advanced the same on the request of Governor Washburn, the sums furnished by each and the date of doing it.

On motion of Mr. Chase of Turner,
Ordered, That the Committee on Pay Roll be directed to make up the pay of C. P.

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Parcher as Messenger for fourteen days service and travel.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State transmitting for distribution the Annual reports of the Superintendent of the Insane Hospital and State Reform School, Warden of the State Prison, Attorney General and Bank Commissioners, also the 46th Annual Report of the Directors of the American Asylum at Hartford for the education of the deaf and Dumb.

The Speaker announced the Joint Standing Committees of the House as follows;—

On Finance,

Messrs. Cobb of Rockland,
Cony of Augusta
Stetson of Bangor
Vickery of Cape Elizabeth
Copeland of Calais
Drummond of Bath
Perkins of Kennebunkport.

On Elections.

Messrs. Manson of Bangor
Hayden of Bath
Hopkinson of Ft. Fairfield
McLellan of Portland
Bradford of Winthrop
Grant of Ellsworth
Page of Berwick.

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On Pay Roll.

Messrs. Hodgman of Warren
Laughton " Harmony
Parker " Gorham
Eddy " Corinth
Porter " Orneville
Chase " Limington
McMaster " Pittsfield

On County Estimates.

Messrs. Shea of Lisbon
Dudley of Presque Isle
Swift of Brunswick
Lambert of Phillips
Lawrence of Castine
Low of Vassalboro'
Law of Washington
Kent of Bremen
Robinson of Sumner
Foss of Charlestown
Tucker of Sangerville
Foster of Bowdoin
Robbins of Norridgewock
Crawford of Searsmont
Beckham of Beddington
Hanson of Sanford.

On Engrossed Bills.

Messrs. Trundy of Searsport
Hodgman of Warren
Stickney of Perry
Hanson of Sanford
Stacy of Porter
Warren of Veazie
Davis of Solon.

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On Bills in Third Reading.

Messrs. Bisbee of Camden
Hayden of Bath
Holbrook of Freeport
Cleaveland of Madison
Stickney of Perry
Day of Stow
Rigby of Newburgh.

On Change of Names.

Messrs. Watson of Hancock
Ellis of Guilford
Davis of Solon
Evans of Stoneham
Reed of Boothbay
Holyoke of Brewer
Learned of Burnham.

On Leave of Absence.

Messrs. Stacy of Porter
Gilman of Levant
Howard of Bridgton
Boothby of Parsonsfield
Ayer of Monmouth
Watts of New Gloucester
Jones of Brighton.

On House Rules and Orders.

Messrs. Crosby of Dexter
Kingsbury of Portland
Blake of Bangor
Cony of Augusta
Hopkins of Ft. Fairfield
Clay of Gardiner
Hodgman of Warren.

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Petition of James Crowe for change of name.
Petition of John O. B. Tupper for same.
Petition of Elizabeth A. Wheelwright for change of name of her adopted daughter.

The foregoing were referred to Committee on Change of Names.

The hour for a Convention of the Legislature to elect a Senator for the 16th Senatorial District having arrived, the Senate came in and a Convention was formed.

In Convention.

On motion of Mr. Merrow of Sagadahoc,
Messrs. Merrow of Sagadahoc, Plummer of Washington, Dudley of Presque Isle, Robinson of Sumner, Hanson of Sanford, Rigby of Newburgh and Davis of Solon were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for a Senator.

Having attended to that duty the Committee reported;

Whole Number of Votes	121
Necessary for a choice	61
Isaac Hacker has	121

The Report was accepted and the Hon. Isaac Hacker was declared duly elected Senator to fill the vacancy existing in the 16th Senatorial District.

The purpose for which the Convention was formed having been accomplished, the Convention was dissolved and the House was called to order by the Speaker.

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A communication was received from the Adjutant General transmitting a Statement of information requested as per House order of this day.

On motion of Mr. Cony of Augusta, the same was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Communications were received from the Hons. Raymond S. Rich, Charles Holden, James Bell, Horace B. Prescott and Eben Woodbury, Executive Councillors elect, signifying their acceptance of the office.

A communication was received from the Hon. Charles Stetson, Executive Councillor elect, declining the office tendered him.

The joint Standing Committees 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:—

On Judiciary

Messrs. Peters of Penobscot,
Stewart of Somerset,
Woods of Kennebec, of the Senate.
Blake of Bangor
Kingsbury of Portland
Hopkins of Ft. Fairfield
Smith of Westbrook
Crosby of Dexter.
Clay of Gardiner
Goodwin of Biddeford, of the House.

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On Federal Relations

Mesrs. Stewart of Somerset
Reed of Lincoln
Millikew of Kennebec, of the Senate;
Kingsbury of Portland
Butler of Hallowell
Goodwin of Biddeford
Drummond of Bath
Hathaway of Skowhegan
Watson of Hancock
Talbot of East Machias, of the House.

On Militia and Military Affairs

Messrs. Jordan of Androscoggin
Emerson of Hancock
Starr of Knox, of the Senate;
Grant of Ellsworth
Pearce of Minot
Conant of Rockland
Moore of Newfield
Ayer of Lincoln
Hanford of Brooks
Williams of Falmouth, of the House.

On Frontier and Coast Defences;

Mesrs. Emerson of Hancock
Wiggin of York
Duren of Washington, of the Senate;
Stetson of Bangor
Hobson of Piscataquis
McLellan of Portland
Cobb of Rockland
Clark of Tremont
Dudley of Presque Isle
Talbot of East Machias, of the House.

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On Mercantile Affairs and Insurance,

Messrs. Roberts of Waldo
Reed of Lincoln
Stevens of Oxford, of the Senate;
Manson of Bangor
Ranlett of Thomaston
Shaw of Portland
Lambert of Phillips
Turner of Augusta
Hussey of Monticello
Leavitt of Waterboro, of the House.

On Education.

Messrs. Barrows of Oxford
Philbrick of Cumberland
Wiggin of York, of the Senate;
Stone of Jay
Hodgman of Farmington
Tarbox of Robbinston
Hammond of Paris
Bradbury of Springfield
Skolfield of Topsham
Cleaveland of Madison, of the House.

On Banks and Banking.

Messrs. Spring of Cumberland
White of Waldo
Milliken of Kennebec, of the Senate;
Hazeltine of Belfast
Cony of Augusta
Stetson of Bangor
Lowell of Lewiston
Copeland of Calais
Tickery of Cape Elizabeth
Jellison of Biddeford, of the House.

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On Incorporation of Towns.

Messrs. Dunn of Washington
Moore of Somerset,
Doe of York, of the Senate;
Killar of St. George
Stacy of Porter
Scott of Greenbush
Trislor of Otisfield
Learned of Burnham
Chase of Limington
Sirois of Dion Pl. of the House.

On Division of Counties.

Messrs. Plummer of Washington
Colby of York
Pike of Kennebec, of the Senate;
Parker of Gorham
Rowe of Newport
McIntire of York
Laughton of Harmony
Conard of Harrison
Brown of Clinton
Fose of Charleston, of the House.

On Division of Towns.

Messrs. Starr of Knox
Josselyn of Franklin
Beal of Penobscot, of the Senate;
Holbrook of Freeport
Haskell of Garland
McCausland of Farmingdale,
Dunnison of Scarboro
Haskell of Poland
Ellis of Northport
Carr of Washington, of the House.

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On State Lands and State Roads.

Mesprs. Smith of Penobscot
Crane of Cumberland
Stevens of Oxford, of the Senate;
Cony of Augusta
Chase of Turner
Foster of Argyle
Dyer of New Sharon
Coffin of Harrington
Chesley of Crystal Pl.
Bragdon of Franklin, of the House.

On Indian Affairs,

Mesprs. Hacker of Woodstock
Plummer of Washington
Starr of Knox, of the Senate;
Burgess of Oldtown
Miller of Princeton
Hanson of Sanford
Ellis of Guilford
Clough of Cumberland
Kent of Bremen
Palmer of Whitefield of the House.

On Agriculture,

Mesprs. Josselyn of Franklin
Barrows of Oxford
Milliken of Hancock of the Senate;
Abbott of Glenburn
Rogers of Kittery
Lothrop of Leeds
Frye of Montville
Thing of Mt. Vernon
Parker of Dedham
Lowell of Standish, of the House.

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On Fisheries.

Mepss. Merrow of Sagadahoc
Emerson of Hancock
Drew of Washington, of the Senate;
Bickman of Eastport.
Haley of Frankfort
Duley of Thipburg
Glover of Harpswell
Reed of Boothbay
Peckham of Beddington
Green of Deer Isle, of the House.

On Manufactures

Mepss. Crane of Cumberland
Jordan of Androscoggin
Roberts of Waldo, of the Senate;
Bisbee of Camden
Farwell of Lewiston
Lowell of Saco
Wardwell of Rumford
Lyman of Machias
Swift of Brunswick
Libby of Waterville, of the House.

On Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Messrs. Milliken of Kennebec
Elliot of Cumberland
Emerson of Hancock of the Senate;
Hayden of Bath
McLellan of Portland
Hobson of Wiscasset
Hinks of Bucksport
Bradford of Winthrop
Warren of Veazie
Page of Berwick, of the House.

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On Interior Waters.

Messrs. Reed of Lincoln
Smith of Penobscot
Pike of Kennebec, of the Senate;
Moore of Bancroft
Eaton of Prospect
Tucker of Sangerville
Stickney of Perry
Foster of Bowdoin
Dolbier of Kingfield
McMaster of Pittsfield, of the House.

On Claims.

Messrs. Elliot of Cumberland
Merrow of Sagadahoc
Plummer of Washington, of the Senate;
Ross of Kennebunk
Lord of Vassalboro'
Deshon of Canton
Eddy of Corinth
Porter of Orneville
Hinks of Bucksport
Sleeper of So. Thomaston, of the House.

On Military Pensions.

Messrs. Philbrick of Cumberland
Doe of York
Moore of Somerset, of the Senate;
Robinson of Sumner
Ayer of Monmouth
Evans of Stoneham
Gilman of Levant
Holbrook of Oxford
Fernald of Elliot
Goocb of Yarmouth, of the House.

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On Insane Hospital,

Messrs. Seabury of Piscataquis
Spring of Cumberland
White of Waldo, of the Senate;
Blake of Farmington
Turner of Augusta
Robbins of Norridgewock
Rigby of Scarborough
Watts of New Gloucester
Small of Machiasport
Felt of Waldoboro, of the House.

On Reform School

Messrs. Stevens of Oxford
Milliken of Hancock
Beal of Penobscot, of the Senate;
Thundy of Searsport
Davis of Buxton
Worcester of Portland
Lawrence of Eastine
Hoxie of Fairfield
Frye of Montville
Perkins of Kennebunkport, of the House.

On State Prison

Messrs. White of Waldo
Seabury of Piscataquis
Elliot of Cumberland, of the Senate;
Hagelstine of Belfast
Burgess of Old Town
Lowell of Saco
Perkins of Penobscot
Foster of Newry
Moore of Bancroft
Eldred of Belgrade, of the House.

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On Public Buildings

Messrs. Pike of Kennebec
Beal of Penobscot
Hacker of Aroostook, of the Senate;
Holyoke of Brewer
Crawford of Searsmont
Baker of Albion
Shea of Lisbon
Bruce of Somerville
Jones of Brighton,
Boothby of Parsonsfield, of the House.

On Library.

Messrs. Woods of Kennebec,
Wiggin of York
Peters of Penobscot, of the Senate;
Butler of Hallowell
Ross of Kennebunk
Blake of Bangor
Knigsbury of Portland
Haltaway of Skowhegan
Dounell of Alna,
Davis of Solon, of the House.

On motion of Mr. Manson of Bangor,
Ordered, That the use of this Hall be granted to A. T. Foss, of New Hampshire on Thursday Evening, January, 15th to deliver a lecture on the Presidents Emancipation Policy.

On motion of Mr. Crosby of Dexter,
Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee be instructed to take into consideration the subject of Town Bounties paid to volunteers and to report such bill or bills as they may deem expedient

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on the subject with the purpose of legalizing the same.

Petition of Daniel N. Campbell & als. for authority to build a wharf in tide waters in Narraguogus River

Petition of Selectmen of Dresden to have the doings of said town made valid.

Petition of Nathaniel Ingersoll & als. for repeal of laws establishing Trial Justices

Proposal of H. L. Davis to sell certain copies of the Revised Statutes.

Bill An Act to amend Section 2 of Chap. 66 of the Revised Statutes relating to insolvent estates.

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

Petition of President and Directors of York and Cumberland Rail Road Company for extension of time to complete their road, with bill accompanying the same

Petition of Samuel Bucknam & als. for authority to erect a bridge over certain navigable waters.

Referred to Committee on Rail-Roads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of David N. Tucker & als.

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to have lands set off from Debtois and annexed to Kennyfield

Petition of Isaac Carleton to be set off from the town of Columbia.

Petition of Jeremiah E. Holway & als to be set off from the town of Machiasport and annexed to the town of Machias

Remonstrance of L. Leighton & als against division of town of Columbia.

Referred to Committee on Division of Towns.

Petition of N. J. Miller & als. for remuneration to J. W. Ambler for military services.

Referred to Committee on Militia and Military Affairs.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The hour having arrived which was designated for the election of a United States Senator,

On motion of Mr. Kingsbury of Portland,

Ordered, That a committee of five be appointed by the chair to receive, sort and count the votes for United States Senator; that the committee be directed to take their stand in front of the clerk's desk; that the clerk call the names of the members of the House in order and that each member as his name is called proceed to cast his ballot; that all the ballots be sorted and counted upon the

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Clerk's Desk in the presence of the House.

Read and passed and Messrs. Kingsbury of Portland, Goodwin of Biddeford, Blake of Bangor, Hazeltine of Belfast and Leavy of Augusta appointed said Committee.

Having discharged the duty assigned them Mr. Kingsbury, the Chairman of said Committee, reported

Whole number of votes	139
Necessary to a choice	70
Lot M. Morrill has	95
Wm. P. Haines "	42
Israel Washburn, Jr. "	1
Edward Kent "	1

The report was accepted and the Hon. Lot M. Morrill was declared duly elected on the part of the House as Senator to serve in the United States Senate for the term of six years from and after the fourth of March next.

A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary, informing the House that the Senate had elected on its part Hon. Lot M. Morrill, United States Senator.

On motion of Mr. Leavy of Augusta,

The Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate signifying the concurrent action of the House in the election of United States Senator and on motion of Mr. Kingsbury of Portland the Clerk was charged with a similar message to the Governor and Council

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A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary, proposing a Joint Convention of the Legislature in the Representatives Hall this day at 12½ o'clock for the purpose of administering to such of the Executive Councillors Elect, as had signified their acceptance of the office, the oaths required by the Constitution to enable them to enter upon their official duties.

The Clerk was charged with and conveyed a Message to the Senate signifying the concurrence of the House in the Senate proposition.

The hour for the Convention having arrived, the Senate came in and a Convention was formed.

In Convention.

On motion of Mr. Merrow of Sagadahoc,

The Secretary of the Convention notified the Executive Councillors elect, that the two Houses are now assembled in Convention for the purpose of administering to such as have signified their acceptance of the office, the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

Thereupon Charles Holden, Raymond S. Rich, James Bell, Horace B. Prescott and Eben Woodbury, Councillors elect, came in and in presence of the Convention and before the President of the Senate, took and subscribed the necessary oaths to enable them to

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enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

The Councillors then retired and the Convention was dissolved.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Lyman of Machias,

Adjourned.

Attest

Charles A. Miller,

Clerk.

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Wednesday, January. 14th 1863.

Met according to adjournment

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Ingraham of Augusta.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

On motion of Mr. Lyman of Machias, the House reconsidered the vote whereby yesterday it referred to the committee on the Judiciary the petition of Nathaniel Ingersoll & als. and upon motion of the same gentlemen the petition was laid upon the table.

Order relating to defences in the North East and the military connections therewith taken from the table and on motion of Mr. Stetson of Bangor, referred to Committee on Frontier and Coast Defences.

On motion of Mr. Lyman of Machias,

Ordered, That a Joint Select Committee of one from each county with such as the Senate may join be appointed for the purpose of inquiring into the expediency of repealing the law authorizing the appointment of Trial justices and that the petition of Nathaniel Ingersoll and others of a like character received on or before the 15th day of February next be referred to said Committee, with authority to report by bill or otherwise.

Read and passed.

Petition of Michael Dyer for change of name.

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Petition of Daniel Talcott Smith for same.

Petition of Samuel Yates & als for same.
Referred to Com. on Change of Names.

Resolves relating to National Affairs presented by leave by Mr. Kingsbury of Portland, and on his motion referred to Committee on Federal Relations
Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Dudley of Presque Isle presented the following Order, which on motion of Mr. Hayden of Bath was laid on the table;—
Ordered, That so much of the Governor's address as relates to an Agricultural College be referred to a Joint Special Committee of seven on the part of the House with such as the Senate may join.

Petition of Charles H. Farmer & als. for incorporation of Benedicta Plantation.
Referred to Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Petition of T. L. Lang & als. of Vassalboro for act of incorporation

Petition of York Manufacturing Company for reduction of capital
The foregoing were refered to Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of Spaulding Robinson & als. for grant of land.

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Petition of S. L. Kimball for waiver of settling duties on a lot of land.

Petition of Leonard Peirce. & als. for an appropriation of land to build a bridge.

Petition of A. Mc. Roberts for extension of time for removing timber in township 3, Range 5.

The foregoing were referred to Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of Selectmen of Cooper to make valid the doings of said town.

Bill an Act to amend Chapter 113 of Laws of 1862 relating to assessment of taxes upon certain towns and plantations, presented by Mr. Hopkinson of Fort Fairfield and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Parker of Gorham

Ordered, That so much of the report of the Trustees of the State Reform School as relates to a change in the Statute be referred to the Committee on the Reform School.

On motion of Mr. Butler of Hallowell

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire whether some further legislation is not necessary to give effect to conveyances of real estate.

The foregoing bills, petitions and orders were sent up for concurrence.

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The Speaker announced the Committee on the Volunteer Aid Bill, as follows;—

Messrs. Hinks of Bucksport, Thing of Mt. Vernon Ross of Kennebunk, Gunnison of Scarboro, Sowell of Lewiston, Foster of Newry, Lambert of Phillips Foster of Bowdoin, Law of Washington, Kent of Bremen, Robbins of Norridgewock, Haskell of Garland, Crawford of Searsmont, Lyman of Machias, Tucker of Langerville, and Hussey of Monticello.

A message was received from the Governor through the Secretary of State, transmitting a report of Hon. John A. Poor, relating to the Defenses of Maine.

On motion of Mr. Warren of Veazie the report was laid on the table and 350 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature

Petition of T. J. Burbank for repeal of acts creating Trial Justices.

Ref'd to Special Com. on Trial Justices.

On motion of Mr. Chesley of Crystal Pl.

Adjourned

Attest

Chas. A. Miller

Clerk

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Thursday, January. 15th 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Bray of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Order relating to military agencies

Order relating to making valid the doings of towns in raising bounties for volunteers.

These orders came from the Senate passed and were passed in concurrence.

Petition of G. A. Fletcher & als for a Bank charter.

Referred to Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of Samuel Adams for further regulations of pilotage in Penobscot Bay and River.

Referred to Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance.

Bill An Act to amend Section 2 Chapter 66 of the Revised Statutes

Petition of Selectmen of Winthrop to make valid the doings of said town.

The foregoing were referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

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A communication was received from the Hon. John J. Perry signifying his acceptance of the office of Executive Councillor.

On motion of Mr. Blake of Bangor,
The Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate proposing a Joint Convention of the Legislature in this Hall at 10½ oclock this day for the purpose of administering to the Hon. John J. Perry Executive Councillor elect, the oaths required by the Constitution to enable him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties, and also for the purpose of electing a Councillor in the 6th Councillor District.

A message was subsequently received from the Senate signifying the concurrence of the Senate in the House proposition

The hour for the Convention having arrived the Senate came in and a Convention was formed.

In Convention.

On motion of Mr. Elliot of Cumberland,
The Secretary of the Convention was charged with and conveyed a message to the Hon. John J. Perry, Executive Councillor elect informing him that a Convention of the Legislature was in readiness to administer to him the qualifying oaths.

Whereupon the Hon. John J. Perry, attend

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ed by the Executive Council came in and in presence of the Convention and before the President of the Senate took and subscribed the oaths of office.

The Councillors then withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Spring of Cumberland,

Messrs. Spring of Cumberland, Smith of Penobscot, Manson of Bangor, Buckman of Eastport, Holbrook of Freeport, Crawford of Searsmont and Foster of Newry were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Councillor in the 6th Councillor district.

Having attended to that duty, the Chairman, Mr. Spring reported,

Whole Number of Votes	133
Necessary to a choice	67
Miriam Ruggles has	129
Brion Bradbury "	1
	3.

The Report was accepted and Miriam Ruggles was declared duly elected Executive Councillor for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. Foster of Newry,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture inquire into the expediency of repealing Chapter 74 of the Laws of 1862 repealing the act giving bounties on wolves and bears.

Petition of Margaret M. Darling for lot of land.

Petition of A. J. Coburn in aid of same.

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Referred to Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of Ebenezer Maynard et als. to be set off from Frankfort and annexed to Monroe

Referred to Committee on Division of Towns.

The foregoing were sent up for concurrence.

The Speaker announced the Committee on the part of the House on order relating to Trial Justices;—

Messrs. Lyman of Machias, Crosby of Dexter, Davis of Buxton, Robinson of Sumner, Clay of Gardiner, Sleeper of South Thomaston, Parker of Gorham, Perkins of Penobscot, Lothrop of Leeds, Haley of Frankfort, Hobson of Biscasset, Blake of Farmington, Cleaveland of Madison, Ellis of Guilford, Duley of Shipburg and Dudley of Presque Isle.

Petition of Solomon Caton Baker for change of name.

Referred to Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. Butler of Hallowell,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of enacting a law authorizing a continuance or transfer of actions when either party has reason to believe that he cannot have a fair and

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impartial trial of his case.

On motion of Mr. Berry of Augusta, the rules were suspended and the vote whereby the House referred the subject of Bank advances to the Committee on Finance was reconsidered.

Report of the Joint Select Committee on the Governor's Message came from the Senate accepted and was read and accepted in concurrence.

Petition of Selectmen of Winslow to make valid the doings of said town.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hayden of Bath,

Adjourned,

Attest

Chas. A. Miller

Clerk.

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Friday, January, 16th 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

No chaplain present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved

Papers from the Senate;—

Report of Joint Select Committee on Treasurers Report came from the Senate accepted and was accepted in concurrence.

Order relating to the Reports of the various Departments came from the Senate passed and was passed in concurrence.

Petition of C. D. Sawyer et als for act of incorporation.

Referred to Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance. in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Peckham of Beddington Ordered. That the use of this Hall be given to A. T. Foss. Esq. of New Hampshire for the purpose of delivering a lecture this evening at 7 o'clock, against the rebellion and in favor of the Presidents Emancipation Policy.

On motion of Mr. Clay of Gardiner, Ordered. That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to examine the laws of this State in relation to relief of poor debtors and report by bill or otherwise whether any amend-

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ment or additional acts are necessary to carry into effect the provisions of Chapter 113 of the Revised Statutes and acts amendatory thereof.

On motion of Mr. Turner of Augusta,
Ordered That the Committee on Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law for the taxation of personal property of married women; also to inquire what, if any, other legislation upon the subject of taxation is necessary.

On motion of Mr. Warren of Veazie,
Ordered That the Judiciary Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending Section 39 chapter 38 of the Revised Statutes so far as relates to the weight and sale of potatoes.

On motion of Mr. Lothrop of Leeds
Ordered, That the petition of the Trustees of the Maine State Seminary at Lewiston for the incorporation and endowment of a department of agriculture in that institution with the petitions in aid thereof and the report of the Committee on Agriculture, on the same be taken from the files of the last Legislature and referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture.

Memorial of George M. Weston for the aid of Maine in the adjustment of certain accounts with Massachusetts growing out of the prosecution of a joint claims of the two states, presented by Mr. Blake of

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Bangor and on his motion referred to the Committee on Judiciary

The foregoing were sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petition of Isaac W. Moulton for change of name.

Petition of Noah Barker for change of name of an adopted daughter.

Referred to Committee on Change of Names.

The Joint Select Committees provided for by report of the Committee on Governor's Message were received from the Senate and having been joined on the part of the House are as follows;—

On so much as relates to making provision for allowing our soldiers to vote;

Messrs. Barrows of Oxford
Roberts of Waldo
Merrow of Sagadahoc, of the Senate.
Kingsbury of Portland
Watson of Trenton
Hathaway of Skowhegan
Goodwin of Biddeford
Rigby of Newburgh
Butler of Hallowell,
Miller of Princeton, of the House.

On making provisions for payment of bounties advanced by banks to soldiers since the last session of the Legislature,

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Mesprs. Spring of Cumberland
White of Waldo
Reed of Lincoln, of the Senate;
Cobb of Rockland
Corry of Augusta
Sletson of Bangor
Vickery of Cape Elizabeth
Copeland of Calais
Drummond of Bath
Perkins of Kennebunkport, of the House.

On aid to families of volunteers,
Mesprs. Stevens of Oxford
Smith of Penobscot
Colby of York
Cram of Cumberland
Milliken of Hancock
Seabury of Piscataquis
Roberts of Waldo, of the Senate;
Hinks of Bucksport
Thing of Mt. Vernon
Ross of Kennebunk
Gunnison of Scarboro
Lowell of Lewiston
Foster of Newry
Lambert of Phillips
Foster of Bowdoin
Law of Washington
Kent of Brewer
Robbins of Norridgewock
Haskell of Garland
Crawford of Searsmont
Lyman of Machias
Tucker of Sangerville
Hussey of Monticello, of the House.

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On Scientific Survey.

Messrs. Hacker of Aroostook
Milliken of Kennebec
Wiggin of York, of the Senate;
Hayden of Bath
Eaton of Prospect
Abbott of Glenburn
Hammond of Paris
Rogers of Kittery
Skolfield of Topsham
Chesley of Crystal Pl. of the House.

On motion of Mr. Kingsbury of Portland
Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 76 of the Revised Statutes relating to levy of execution as more effectually to secure the rights of judgment creditors in interest

On motion of Mr. Abbott of Glenburn,
Ordered. That the committee on Education inquire and report what modification may be made in the powers and duties of Supervisors and Superintending School Committees.

On motion of Mr. Crosby of Dexter,
Ordered, That a Joint Select Committee of seven on the part of the House with such as the Senate may join be raised to see if the State will continue the bounties heretofore offered for the recruiting of the Regiments in the field and report by bill or otherwise.

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On motion of Mr. Hayden of Bath,
Ordered, That a Joint Select Committee of seven (viz:- two from Somerset, three from Kennebec and two from Sagadahoc) on the part of the House be raised with instructions to examine Chapter 109 of the Laws of 1859 entitled "An Act to regulate the Fisheries in the Kennebec River" and report on the expediency of amending or of repealing said Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Stetson of Bangor,
Ordered, That the Committee on Finance inquire into the expediency of providing by law for the effectual destruction of all bonds and coupons of the State which may be paid by the Treasurer or other officers of the State and report by bill or otherwise.

Order relating to certain instructions to scalers of logs on certain townships, presented by Mr. Dudley of Presque Isle and referred to Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Order referring the report of the State Liquor Commissioner to a Joint Select Committee came from the Senate passed and Messrs Doe of York, Philbrick of Cumberland and Milliken of Hancock appointed on the part of the Senate.

Passed in concurrence and Messrs. Copeland of Calais, Worcester of Portland, Rigby of Newburgh, Lawrence of Eastine, Baker of Albion, Holbrook of Oxford and Leaned

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of Burnham appointed on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. Hazeltine of Belfast the clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate proposing a joint convention of the Legislature in the Hall of the House of Representatives this day at fifteen minutes before twelve o'clock for the purpose of electing a State Treasurer.

A message was received from the Senate signifying the concurrence of that branch in the House proposition.

The hour for the convention having arrived, the Senate came in and a Convention was formed.

In Convention.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Penobscot Messrs. Smith of Penobscot, Doe of York, Ross of Kennebunk, Learned of Burnham, Chase of Turner, Kellar of St. George, Leoffin of Harrington were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes for State Treasurer.

Having attended to that duty the Chairman reported,

Whole number of Votes	137
Necessary for a choice	69
Nathan Dane has	109
Joseph Titcomb "	27
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The Report was accepted and the Hon. Nathan Dane was declared duly elected State Treasurer for the current fiscal year.

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

On motion of Mr. Ellis of Northport,

Adjourned.

Attest

Chas. A. Miller

Clerk.

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Saturday, January, 17th 1863.

Met according to adjournment

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Drew of Augusta,

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate;—

Report of the Joint Select Committee on Rules and Orders came from the Senate passed and was passed in concurrence.

Order relating to amending Section 20 chapter 4 of the Revised Statutes came from the Senate passed and was passed in concurrence.

Mr. Crosby from the Committee on House Rules and Orders presented the report of said Committee which was accepted

On motion of Mr. Hathaway of Skowhegan, Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the practicability and expediency of so amending the 111th Sections of the 12th chapter of the Revised Statutes as to make the conditions of liability to taxation in local or territorial parishes more equitable, definite and clear and report by bill or otherwise

On motion of Mr. Turner of Arequsta,
Ordered, that the Judiciary Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending Sections 4, 5, 7, and 16 of Chapter 141 of the Revised Statutes relating to County houses of correction.

Bill an Act to amend chapter 106 of the Acts of 1862.

Bill an Act to amend chap. 99 section 34 of the Revised Statutes relating to bail.

Petition of Selectmen of Farmington for abatement of State and County taxes.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Petition of O. R. Sirois in behalf of the French American citizens of Madawaska praying for aid from the State in establishing an English Academy for the education of their children.

Referred to Committee on Education.

The foregoing were sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Cobb from the Committee on Finance on order relating to the destruction of Bonds and Coupons reported Resolve for the effectual destruction of bonds and coupons of the State of Maine after the same shall have been paid.

Report accepted, Resolve read once

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and Monday next assigned for a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Lyman of Machias
Ordered, That 350 copies of the Rules and Orders of the House together with the Committees of the two Houses and the names of the members composing the civil government for the political year 1863, be printed for the use of this House.

On motion of Mr. Bradbury of Springfield
Ordered, That the Joint Volunteer Aid Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of extending the time as provided by chap 127 section 4 of the Laws of 1862 for towns to file their bills for state aid to the families of poor soldiers with the Governor and Council and report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Cony of Augusta,
Ordered, That the Committee on Finance be instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing by a loan on the faith of the State for refunding to such Banks as advanced the money for payment of bounties to recruits on request of Governor Washburn and also for the repayment to the cities and towns of the State for the aid furnished by such cities and towns to the families of soldiers in the service of the country under the laws of the State

The foregoing orders were read and passed.

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On motion of Mr. Lyman of Machias,
Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee
be directed to inquire into the expediency
of amending Chapter 3, Section 10 of the
Revised Statutes so as to allow towns the
privilege of electing non-residents collect-
ors of taxes.

The Speaker announced the following
Committees as provided by orders of
the 16th inst:

On order relating to fisheries in Ken-
nebec River;—

Messrs. Haydew of Bath
McCausland of Farmingdale
Turner of Augusta
Hovie of Fairfield
Dudley of Phipsburg
Low of Vassalboro
Jones of Brighton.

On order relating to continuance of
State bounties to volunteers;—

Messrs. Cony of Augusta
McLellan of Portland
Stetson of Bangor
Hamford of Brooks
Perkins of Kennebunkport
Stacy of Porter
Small of Machiasport.

On motion of Mr. Page of Berwick,
Ordered, That the Committee on State Aid
for Soldiers families be instructed to in-
quire whether it is expedient to make
provisions for the towns bordering on the

line of New Hampshire, some of which towns have suffered very much by their soldiers going into New Hampshire and Massachusetts and enlisting and left their families in said towns, some of which have already become chargeable and many more must become so.

Order from the Senate relating to military agencies at Washington came from the Senate passed and was passed in concurrence.

Report of Committee on Judiciary on petition of D. N. Campbell & als reporting bill an Act authorizing the construction of a wharf in Millbridge.

This report came from the Senate accepted and the Bill passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence, Bill read twice and Monday assigned for a third reading.

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On motion of Mr. Leavy of Augusta,

(Adjourned)

Attest

Chas. A. Miller,

Clerk.

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Monday, January, 19th 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Stone of Jay.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Resolve providing for the effectual destruction of bonds and coupons of the State of Maine after the same shall have been paid having been twice read and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bill an Act authorizing the construction of a wharf in Milbridge having been three times read and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Chase of Turner,
Ordered, That the Committee on Banks and Banking be requested to inquire into the expediency of prohibiting by legislation the circulation of that kind of currency known as "shin plasters."

On motion of Mr. Clay of Gardiner,
Ordered, That the Committee on Banks and Banking be instructed to take into consideration the expediency of a law authorizing Banks to issue fractional bills or cities and towns to issue some uniform and convenient

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currency to supply the demand for small change and also to report by bill or otherwise some feasible plan for the suppression of shin plasters.

On motion of Mr. Leony of Augusta,
Ordered, That the Committee on Manufactures be instructed to inquire into the expediency of enlarging the provisions of chapter 91 of the laws of 1859 entitled "an act to encourage manufactures" and report by bill or otherwise.

Resolve to present certain documents to the Maine State Seminary, presented by Mr. Lowell of Lewiston and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Parker of Gorham
Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of repealing chapter 40 of the Special Laws of 1861 whereby certain towns and plantations are restricted as to time of closing polls at the election of State Officers and leaving the same discretionary with such towns and plantations.

On motion of Mr. Hazeltine of Belfast,
Ordered That the Secretary of State be requested to notify all Cashiers of Banks who have not made returns of the names and residences of the stockholders and amount of stock owned by each, as required by law, to do so forthwith as it is important for the Legislature to have the

benefit of such returns immediately.

Petition of Inhabitants of Steuben to make valid the doings of said town.

Refered to Committee on Judiciary and sent up for concurrence.

A communication was received from the Hon. Miriam Ruggles, Executive Councillor elect signifying his acceptance of the office.

On motion of Mr. Kingsbury of Portland the Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate proposing a convention of the Legislature in the Hall of Representatives this day at 12¼ oclock for the purpose of administering to the Hon. Miriam Ruggles, the oaths necessary to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

A message was subsequently received from the Senate through its Secretary, signifying the concurrence of the Senate in the House proposition.

The hour for the Convention having arrived the Senate came in and a Convention was formed

In Convention.

On motion of Mr. Woods of Kennebec, The Secretary of the Convention conveyed a message to the Councillor elect informing

him that a convention of the Legislature was in waiting to administer to him the qualifying oaths of office.

Whereupon the Hon. Miram Ruggles attended by the Executive Council came in and in presence of the Convention and before the President of the Senate took and subscribed the qualifying oaths of office.

The Councillors then withdrew and the Convention was dissolved.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Turner of Augusta,

Adjourned.

Attest

Chas. A. Miller

Clerk.

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Tuesday January 20, 1863.

Met according to adjournment

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Crane of Hallowell

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved

Petition of Deborah Paine for aid. Refd. to Com on Aid to Soldiers families in concurrence.

Petition of A.T. Grant sals for an act of incorporation, with bill an act to incorporate the Portland Grain Ware House Company accompanying the same
Refd. to Com. on Mercantile Affairs & Ins.

Petition of Spencer G. Bowes for Pension
Refd. to Com. on Military Pensions

Claim of T. D. Sewall for services in organizing the 19th Regt. Me. Vols
Refd. to Com. on Claims

Petition of Harrison Knowles for extension of time to cut timber on North West quarter of township No. 8 R. 4. Refd. to Com. St. Lands & St. Roads.

Petition of Ezra Stevens relating to fisheries in Machias river, Refd. to Com. on Fisheries
The foregoing were sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Hayden of Bath
Ordered, That the Com. on the Judiciary examine Sec: 10 Chap. 1 of the Revised Statutes relating to foreign wills in regard to the question

of the amendment of said Section by striking
out all the words "usual manner"

On motion of Mr. Lambert of Phillips
Ordered, That the Com. on the Judiciary in-
quire & report what further legislation if any
is necessary to secure the rights of stockholders
in railroad corporations also the rights of
creditors of railroad Corporations

Mr. Berry from the Joint Select Com. to which
was referred so much of the Governors message
as relates to bounties paid by the State since
the session of the last Legislature having that
subject under consideration reported Resolves
in favor of certain Banks in the State of Maine.
Report accepted, Resolves read once & Wednesday
of next week assigned for a second reading.

Mr. Crosby from the Joint Sel. Com. to in-
vestigate the affairs of the Land office presented
a report from a majority of said Committee -
The report was received & on motion of Mr.
Chase of Turner laid upon the table.

Report of the Joint Select Com. to investigate
the affairs & expenses of the Land office, came
from the Senate accepted, Mr. Lyman of
Machias moved the same be laid upon the
table & with the minority report of said Com.
200 copies be printed for the use of the House.
On motion of Mr. Hayden of Bath the mo-
tion & report was laid upon the table.

Bill an act to amend an act to incorporate
the Peoples Pacific R.R. Company. Referred

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to the Committee on Railroads, Ways & Bridges
in Concurrence.

Bill an act authorizing the construction of a wharf in Millbridge having been three times read passed to be engrossed, reported by the Committee Engrossed Bill as duly & strictly Engrossed, was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker & sent to the Senate.

Report of the Joint Select Committee unfinished business, came from the Senate accepted was accepted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Lambert of Phillips

Adjourned)

Attest Charles A. Miller, Clerk

Wednesday January 21. 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr Fuller of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of Joseph Granger & 300 als for a military road. Refd. to Com. on Frontier & Coast Defences in concurrence.

Petition of Thomas Jordan & 200 als for repeal of act of 1862 setting off certain persons from Hartford to Buckfield.

Petition of legal voters of District No. 7 in Hartford in aid of same
Refd. to Com. on Education.

Petition of Selectmen of Brewer to legalize doings of said town
Refd. to Com. on Judiciary.
The foregoing were sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Kingsbury from the Com. on Federal Relations on Resolves relating to National Affairs reported the same in a new draft. Report accepted. Resolves read once. Mr. Smith of Westbrook moved to amend as per sheet "A". Mr. Lyman of Machias moved to amend as per sheet "B" & the resolves & amendments were laid on the table, ordered to be printed & Thursday of next week were assigned for a second reading

On motion of Mr. Lyman of Machias
Ordered, That the messenger be directed to furnish the Monitor of the 1st Division with a copy of the Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr Hathaway of Skowhegan
Ordered That this Hall be tendered to the Rev. Cyril Peale for his remaining lecture on our National Crisis & that Tuesday evening 27th inst. be assigned for that purpose.

Mr. Clay from the Com. on the Judiciary on order relating to weights & sale of potatoes, reported reference to the Com. on Agriculture
Report accepted & sent up for concurrence

On motion of Mr Kingsbury of Portland, the majority & minority reports of the Committee on the Affairs of the Land Office were taken from the table considered & on motion of Mr. Page of Berwick the usual number of copies were ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. Crosby of Dexter,

Adjourned

Attest Charles W. Miller, Clerk.

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Thursday January 22 1863

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Sargent of Watertown.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Order directing the Com. on St. Prisons to visit said institutions came from the Senate passed.

Order relating to amending Chap. 1 Sec. 4 Art. 22 of the Revised Statutes came from the Senate passed.

The foregoing were passed in concurrence.

Mr. Kingsbury from the Committee the Judiciary reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to electing non-resident Collectors of taxes.

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Mr. Clay from same Committee reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to the relief of sheriffs

Mr. Crosby from same Committee made same report on order relating to conveyance of real estate.

The foregoing reports were accepted & sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hopkinson of Ft. Fairfield

Ordered That the Committee on Education inquire whether further legislation is necessary to secure the proper expenditure of school funds in the

French Plantations in Aroostook County

On motion of Mr. Ellis of Northport
Ordered, That the Com. on Militia and Military Affairs take into consideration the subject of reimbursing Orderly Sergeants for organizing the Militia of Maine under the act of 1862.

Petition of O.R. Sirois for the citizens of Madawaska praying that townships No 18, R5, & No 18, R6, may be surveyed & set apart for settlement.

Petition of Emmons Whitcomb & 54 als in relation to a mill in Tremont Plantn. Aroostook Co.

Petition of Avard A. Dinger for the purchase of Lot No. 72 in township No. 12 Rd Aroostook Co. The foregoing were referred to the Com. on State Lands & St. Roads.

Petition of James Fowler jr. sole of Unity to make valid doings of said town.
Refd. to Com. on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Chase of Turner
Ordered That the Com. on Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending Chap. 81 Sec. 36 Art. 2 of the R.S. by striking out all after the word "tools" & inserting instruments or apparatus of any debtor necessary for his trade or occupation not exceeding $200 in value.

On motion of Mr. Sutton of Bangor

Ordered That the Com. on Mercantile Affairs & Insurance inquire into the Efficiency of so amending Sec. 10 Chap 49 of the R.S. as relates to Stock Insurance Companies as to insert after the word State in the fifth line "or" in the Stock of some Gas Company incorporated in this State or in the bonds of Cities towns of this State or in some town corporations;

On motion of Mr. Clark of Vermont

Ordered, That the Com. on Militia and Military Affairs inquire what alterations if any are necessary in the Militia laws of the State to render the organization of the Militia more complete & the Militia more efficient in case of the State being invaded;

On motion of Mr. Turner of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Com. on Agriculture be directed to inquire into the Expediency of so amending Sec 39. Chap. 38 of the R.S. as to fix a standard weight of each kinds of grain-seeds usually sold by measure;

A communication was read from the Hon. Nathan Dane signifying his acceptance of the office of Treasurer of State & transmitting his official bond for the approval of the Legislature. This communication and Bond came from the Senate read & the Com. on Treasurers Accounts and was referred in concurrence;

Petition of Asa B. Thurlow for indemnity for mal-administration in the settlement

of her husband's estate
Refd. to Com. on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Chase of Turner
The majority and minority reports of the Com. to investigate the affairs of the Land Office were taken up & Wednesday next, at 11 o'clock assigned for their consideration.

On motion of Mr. Page of Berwick
Ordered That Ex-Governor Washburn be requested to furnish this House the reasons which he may assign for not commissioning the officers Elect of the several militia companies of this State & whether such reasons are not based upon certain remonstrances presented by both public & private officers such communication to be presented at an early day. Read & referred to the Committee on Militia & Military Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Clinton
Ordered that the Gov. be & hereby is requested to communicate to this House what sum of money it has cost to do the State Printing for the year 1862 & also to whom the same has been paid.

On motion of Mr. Parker of Gorham the House reconsidered the vote whereby it passed in concurrence order directing the Com. on the State Prison to visit that institution & on his motion the order was laid upon the table.

Mr. Cheney of Chrystal Plantation presented the

following order which on motion of Mr. Clay of Gardiner was laid upon the table;

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House be directed to furnish one copy of the Laws and Resolves of 1860 to each member.

On motion of Mr Beaver of Minot

Adjourned.

Attest

Charles A. Miller, Clerk.

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Friday January 23, 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Dodge of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Petition of Emily Jewell for change of name.

Petition of John T. Brown for change of name.

Petition of A. H. T. Furbish for change of name.
Refd. to Com. on Change of names.

Credentials of John Noel Rep. from the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians.
Refd. to Com. on Indian Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Foster of Newry
Ordered, That the Com. on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending Chap. 81 Sec. 30 of the R. S. as that attachments of real estate shall take effect from the time of the record of said attachment.

On motion of Mr. Hayden of Bath.
Ordered, That the Com. on Militia & Military Affairs examine "Putnam improved Eyelet Hook" with reference to its utility in the military service

Petition of J. W. Bradbury & ols. for the distribution of certain documents to County Law Libraries.
Refd. to Com. on Judiciary.

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On motion of Mr. Robinson of Sumner,

Ordered, That the Com. on Agriculture be instructed to inquire into the expediency of repealing Chap. 135 of the Laws of 1862 or of amending the same.

On motion of Mr. Hobson of Nicaragua

Ordered That the Com. on Elections inquire into the expediency of amending Sec. 1 of Chap 42 of the R.S. relating to Elections by inserting in the second line after the words "to his own use" the words either by himself or another in his employment: the ninth line, by striking out the words "and with intent to cheat the same" and the tenth line so that instead of twenty dollars it shall read one hundred dollars.

Report of Senate Select Com. on Treasurers Accounts & which was referred the bonds of Nathan Dane reporting the same correctly drawn & that the sureties are responsible & sufficient... This Report was read & accepted & concurred.

Report of Com. on Railroads, Ways & Bridges on Bill an act to amend an act to incorporate the Peoples Pacific Railroad Company reporting the same in a new draft.

This report came from the Senate accepted & the bill passed to be engrossed. Report accepted & concurred. Rule suspended & Bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hathaway of Skowhegan,

Ordered, That the Representatives

Hall be tendered to the Rev. Cyril Pearle on Thursday evening Jany. 29 instead of Jany. 27 for the closing lecture on our National Crisis.

On motion of Mr Hopkinson of Ft. Fairfield
Ordered That the Com. on the Judiciary inquire whether any legislation is necessary to prevent surprise & facilitate the examination in cases of contested seats in this House.

Remonstrance of inhabitants of Machiasport against the petition of J. E. Holway & als
Refd. to Com. on Div. of Towns.

Resolve for the payment of certain bounties to volunteers presented by leave by Mr. Hayden of Bath and refd. to Joint Select Com. on Continuance of Bounties to Volunteers.

On motion of Mr Peckham of Beddington

Adjourned.

Attest. Charles A. Miller, Clerk.

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Saturday January 24, 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev Mr. Munger of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Bill an act to amend an act to incorporate the Peoples Pacific Railroad Company.

Resolve for the effectual destruction of Bonds and Coupons of the State of Maine after the same shall have been paid.

This bill having been three times read & the resolve twice read each passed to be engrossed & reported by the Com. on Engrossed Bills as truly & strictly engrossed the bill was passed to be enacted resolve passed finally each signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Mr. Cony from the Com. on Continuance of bounties to volunteers having that subject under consideration reported Resolve providing for payment of bounties to volunteers Report accepted, Rules suspended & Resolve passed to be engrossed & sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Order relating to requesting certain information from Ex-Governor Washburn, came back from the Senate postponed indefinitely The House receded & concurred.

Order relating to amending Chap. 103 of the

Resolves of 1862 relating to the rights of heirs & creditors of discharged soldiers

Order relating to Military agency at Washington

Order relating to an additional law term of the Supreme Judicial Court & for increase of salary of the Judges
These orders were passed in concurrence.

Petition of Sidney Perham ools in relation to the support of persons confined in jail in Oxford County
Refd. to Com. on Jud. in concurrence

A message was recd. from the Governor through the Secy. of State transmitting information as per House order of the 22d inst.

On motion of Mr. Hammond of Paris,
Ordered, That the use of this Hall be granted to the State Teachers Association for the evenings of Tuesday & Wednesday Jany. 27th and 28th

On motion of Mr Hodgman of Warren,

Adjourned.
Attest
Charles A. Miller, Clerk,

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Monday January 26, 1863

Met according to adjournment.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker

On motion of Mr. Hopkinson of Ft. Fairfield
Ordered, That during the absence of the Speaker Lorenzo Clay Esq. be declared Speaker pro tem.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Follet of Gardiner.

The Journal of Saturday was read & approved.

On motion of Mr Hopkinson of Ft. Fairfield, the Clerk was charged with & conveyed a message to the Senate informing that branch that in the absence of the Speaker, Lorenzo Clay Esq had been chosen Speaker pro tem.

The Clerk conveyed a similar message to the Governor & Council.

Papers from the Senate.

Resolve for the payment of bounties to volunteers
This Resolve came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A" & passed to be engrossed. The House receded adopted amendment "A" & passed the resolve to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of Joint Special Com. on aid to families of volunteers on order relating to extension of time for towns to file their claims reporting Bill an act extending the time for presentation of bills for State aid.

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Report of Com. on State Lands & St. Roads on petition of Margaret M. Darling reporting Resolve in favor of Margaret M. Darling

Also on petition of Amos M. Roberts Resolve in favor of Amos M. Roberts assignee of Franklin Adams

Also on order relating to scale of lumber Resolve in regard to trespassers on public lands.

The foregoing reports came from the Senate accepted & the Resolves passed to be Engrossed. Reports accepted in concurrence bill read twice Resolves read once and tomorrow assigned for third reading of the bill and second reading of the Resolves

Petition of A. T. Palmer for an appropriation from the Indian fund came from the Senate referred to the Com. on Indian Affairs.

Petition of A. H. Norris rels for repeal of Act creating Trial Justices came from the Senate refd. to Select Com. on Trial Justices

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Order relating to Commissioning officers of the ununiformed Militia came from the Senate passed. On motion of Mr. Hopkinson of Ft Fairfield laid upon the table.

Bill an act to change the names of certain persons came from the Senate passed to be engrossed. Rules suspended read twice & tomorrow assigned for a third reading.

A message was received from the Senate through its Secretary informing the House that in the absence of the President the Senate had made choice of Hon. Noah Woods as President pro. tempore.

A communication was recd. from the Gov. through the Secretary of State transmitting an authenticated copy of the act of Congress entitled "An Act donating public lands to the several States & territories which may provide Colleges for the benefit of Agriculture & the Mechanic Arts," and on motion of Mr Abbot of Glenburn the same was referred to the Comm. on Agriculture.

Petition of the Selectmen of Orrington to make valid the doings of said town

Petition of Selectmen of Searsport to make valid the doings of said town.

Petition of J. Q. A. Tuttle & 71 als of Perry to make valid the doings of said town.

Petition of the County Treasurer & County Commissioners of Hancock County for authority to reassess certain taxes.

The foregoing were refd. to Com. on Judiciary.

Petition of the inhabitants of Eden for repeal of act establishing Trial Justices

Petition of Hiram Stickney vals of Perry in aid of the same.

The foregoing were referred to the

South Special Com. on Trial Justices.

Remonstrance of Elisha Chick &c against petition of Ebenezer Mayo &c.
Refd. to Com: on Division of Towns.

Petition of Wm. D. Orr for remuneration for a certain piece of land.
Refd. to Com. on St. Lands & St. Roads.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petition of Patrick Grady for change of name
Refd. to Com. on Change of Names.

Resolve in favor of Mrs. T. Johnson. presented by leave by Mr. Carey of Augusta and refd. to the Committee on Finance.

On motion of Mr. Rigby of Newbury

Adjourned.

Attest,
Charles A. Miller,
Clerk.

Tuesday, Jany. 27, 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Bailey of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Mr. Hinks of Buckfield announced that Richard T. Watson, Representative Elect from Hancock was in attendance and ready to take the qualifying oaths. Mr Hinks accompanied the Rep. Elect to the Council Chamber where he took & subscribed the oaths required by law & entitled him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of Selectmen of Gouldsboro to make valid the doings of said town.

Refd. to Com. on Judiciary.

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Petition of Geo. W. Bascomb relating to the transportation of soldiers.

Refd. to Com. on Mil. & Military Affairs.

The foregoing were refd. in concurrence.

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Resolve providing for the payment of bounties to volunteers.

This Resolve having been read twice was passed to be engrossed, as amended by the Com. on Engrossed Bills as truly & strictly engrossed was passed finally & signed in both branches.

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Resolve in regard to trespassers on the public lands,

Resolve in favor of Margaret M. Darling.

Resolve in favor of Amos M. Roberts assignee of Franklin Adams,

Bill an act to change the names of certain persons,

Bill an act extending the time for the presentation of Bills for State Aid. Senate amendment "A" adopted.

The foregoing Resolves having been twice read & the bills three times read, each supported by the Com. on Bills in the Third Reading were severally passed to be engrossed in concurrence,

Petition of George W. Taylor sols for repeal of act creating trial Justices

Petition of Darius Pearce sols in aid of the same.

Refd. to Joint Select Com. on that subject,

Petition of County Commissioners of Lincoln County for change of terms of County Com^rs Court,

Petition of Albert Truffant for authority to extend a wharf

Petition of Selectmen of Swanville to make valid doings of said town.

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Refd. to the Com. on the Judiciary.

Bill an act to amend Secs 3 & 6 of chap. 34 R.S. relating to Auctions & Auctioneers, presented by Can by Mr Turner of Augusta & refd. to Com. on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

The foregoing petitions & bills were sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order relating to supplying each member with the Acts & Resolves of 1862. taken from the table on motion of Mr. Clay of Gardiner & the same was refused a passage.

Mr. Corry from the Com. on Finance on Resolve in favor of Wm T. Johnson reported the same ought to pass. Report accepted Resolve read once & Wednesday next assigned for a second reading.

Mr. Stetson from the Com. on Frontier & Coast Defences on order relating to the defences in the North East reported "Resolve relative to the defences of our North Eastern Frontier"
Report accepted Resolve read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Order directing Com. on State Prison to visit said Institution, taken from the table and on motion of Mr. Parker of Gorham postponed indefinitely.

Mr. Corry from the Com. on Finance having under consideration the subject of reimbursing

towns &c reported Bill an act to amend "An Act in aid of the families of volunteers" approved March 18 1862.

Report accepted, Bill read twice and on motion of Mr. Crosby of Dexter laid upon the table.

Mr. Cobb from the same Com. on the subject of State Finances reported Resolve authorizing a loan in behalf of the State.

Report accepted Resolve read once and on motion of Mr. Cony laid upon the table.

Order requesting certain information from the Adjutant General, taken from the table and passed in concurrence.

Petition of A.W. Wilder rals officers of the 16th Regiment asking pay for services

Refd. to Com. on Claims

On motion of Mr. Bruce of Somerville

Adjourned:

Attest

Charles A. Miller, Clerk.

LLMC DIGITAL

Wednesday January 28, 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Dr. Burgess of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Com. on Banks & Banking on order for suppressing the circulation of that currency known as "shinplasters" reporting legislation inexpedient. Came from the Senate accepted & was accepted in concurrence.

Petition of Sockabasin Swasson for change of statutes relating to Penobscot Indians.

Petition of Attean Orson in aid of same.
Refd. to Com. on Indian Affairs in concurrence.

Order relating to investigation of the several departments of the State Government so far as relates to military purchases & contracts, came from the Senate passed, passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Stone of Jay
Ordered That the use of this Hall be granted to the Maine State Teachers Association to hold a meeting this afternoon.

Resolve authorizing a loan in behalf of the State

Resolve in favor of certain Banks in the State of Maine.

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Bill an act to aid the families of volunteers

Resolves relative to the defences of our North East Frontier.

The foregoing bills having been three times read & the resolves twice read were passed to be engrossed sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. [illegible] of Dexter
Ordered, That the use of the Hall of Representatives be granted to the Board of Agriculture for a discussion on dairy husbandry on Jany. 29th afternoon and evening.

On motion of Mr. Farrell of Scituate
Ordered, That the use of this Hall be granted the Rev. Cyril Pearl Feb. 2d evening.

On motion of Mr. Trundy of Seaspert.
Ordered That the Com. on Liquor Agents report inquiries into the expediency of so amending the Law of 1855 as to include Ale and strong beer as intoxicating liquors

Petition of Isaiah Stetson and 200 ab in aid of the petition of Joseph Granger rels.

Memorial of the County Commissioners of Lincoln County in relation to our court defences.
Refd. to Com. on Frontier & Court Defences.

Petition of City of Bath & loan its credit to the Androscoggin R.R. Company

Petition of Alice Moses Prest. of a Company in

aid of the same.
Refd. to Com. R. N. & Bridges

Petition of S. L. Kimball sols to make valid the doings of Mt. Chase plantation.
Refd. to Com. on Judiciary.

Bill an act additional to an act accepting the surrender of the Charter of Manoir's Bank at Wiscasset.
Refd. to Com. on Banks & Banking.
The foregoing were sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Crosby from the Com. on Judiciary on order relating to taxation in local parishes, reported Bill an act to amend the fourteenth section of Chapter twelve of the R. S. relating to local parishes. Report accepted. Bill read twice & tomorrow assigned for a third reading.

Mr. Kingsbury from same Committee reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to time of closing polls at elections.
Report accepted, sent up for concurrence

On motion of Mr. Kingsbury of Portland
Ordered: That the Finance Committee inquire into the expediency of tendering to the U.S. Government such advances as may be requisite from time to time out of the Treasury of the State for the prompt payment of allotments of Maine Volunteers now in the military service of the Country.

Reports of the Majority and Minority of the Joint Select Committee who were instructed

by an order of the Legislature to investigate the affairs of the Land Office being the Special assignment of this hour were taken up. Mr. Crosby of Dexter moved to amend the report of the Committee by substituting therefor the report of the minority. Mr. Clay of Gardiner moved to amend further as per sheet "A" and on the adoption of this amendment Mr. Dealey of Prospect Isle moved & the House ordered the Yeas & Nays & the adoption of Mr Clay's amendment was pending when

On motion of Mr. Manson of Bangor

Adjourned

Attest Charles A. Miller, Clerk.

LLMC DIGITAL

Thursday January 29th 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Penny of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Order requesting the Secretary of State to lay before the Legislature information relative to the non-commissioning of officers of the un-uniformed Militia, came from the Senate passed & was passed in concurrence.

Order directing the Common State Prison to visit that institution, came back from the Senate that branch insisting on its former vote. The House insisted upon its former vote.

Bill an act to amend Secs 3 & 6 Chap 34 of the R. S. relating to auctions & auctioneers.

Bill an act to legalize the doings of school District No. 4 in Calais.
Came from the Senate refd. to Com. on Ind.

Communication from Commissioners of Indian Tribes

Petition of Benj. Young & als. for a road on Indian Township in Washington County,
Refd. to Com. on Indian Affairs.

The foregoing were refd. in concurrence.

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Report of the Joint Select Com. on the subject of the Land-office being the subject under consideration when the House adjourned was taken up. Mr. Clay of Gardiner by leave withdrew the amendment offered by himself and the question then recurred upon the adoption of the amendment moved by Mr. Crosby of Dexter. Mr Kingsbury of Portland moved to amend the amendment as per sheet "A" & this question was pending when on motion of Mr Hayden of Bath the subject was laid upon the table.

Resolves relating to National Affairs, being the special assignment of this hour were taken up read a second time and on motion of Mr. Kingsbury of Portland were laid upon the table.

Mr. Hopkinson from the Com. on Elections to which was referred the credentials of Nathaniel Gooch and the remonstrance of Reuben Merrill, reported a resolve declaring that Reuben Merrill is duly elected a Representative in this House.

On motion of Mr. Page of Berwick the resolve was laid upon the table & on motion of Mr Manson of Bangor tomorrow at eleven & one-half o'clock assigned for its consideration.

Mr Lyman of Machias presented the following order which on motion of Mr. Hayden of Bath was postponed indefinitely

Ordered that the hour of 9 o'clock each day be the hour for the meeting of this

House with the exception of Mondays when the House shall meet at ten.

Petition of David O'Brien Secy & Agent of the Thomaston Fire & Marine Insurance Co. for extension of time to close up the affairs of said Company

Petition of Sebec Lake Steamboat Company to make valid certain acts with Bill accompanying same.
The foregoing were referred to the Com. on Mercantile Affairs & Insurance.

Petition of the inhabitants of Oldtown for repeal of act creating Trial Justices.

Petition of Nathan Pattangale rate of the town of Pembroke for same
Refd. to Joint Select Com. on Abolition of Trial Justices.

Petition of the Assessors of Unity Plantation to make valid their doings
Refd. to Com. on Judiciary.
Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Trustees of Maine Wesleyan Seminary for change of name.

Mr. Stickney from the Com. on Interior Waters on petition of Amos Hilton rate reported Bill an act to incorporate the South Jefferson Bog Company.

Mr. Clay from the Com. on Judiciary on petition

of J. W. Bradbury vols reported Resolve in favor of County Law Libraries.

The foregoing reports were accepted. Bill read twice Resolve read once & immediate assd. for the third reading of the Bill & second reading of the Resolve.

Bill an act extending the time for the presentation of bills for State aid.

Bill an act to change the names of certain persons

Resolve in favor of Amos McRoberts assignee of Franklin Adams.

Resolve in favor of Margaret M. Darling.

Resolve in regard to trespasses on the public lands.

The foregoing bills having been three times read & the Resolves twice read each passed to be engrossed & reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly & strictly engrossed the bills were passed to be enacted Resolves passed finally each signed by the Speaker & sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr Rigby of Newbury.

Adjourned.

Attest

Charles A. Miller Clerk.

Friday January 30, 1863.

Met according to adjournment,

Prayer by the Rev. Mr Rowe of Augusta,

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved,

Papers from the Senate.

Order directing Com. on Claims to examine claims of Manly & J.F. Hardy came from the Senate passed & was passed in concurrence

Petition of Kew. Telegraph Co. for the passage of an act authorizing a lease or sale of their telegraph line,
Refd. to Com. on Judiciary.

Report of Com. on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance on petition of A.T. Galt sols reporting Bill An Act to incorporate the Portland Grain Warehouse Company
Also on petition of C.D. Sawyer sols bill An act to incorporate the Baldwin Mutual Fire Insurance Company
These reports came from the Senate accepted & the bills passed to be engrossed Reports accepted in concurrence Bills read twice & tomorrow assigned for a third reading.

Petition of John Kilgore sols for an act to prevent the destruction of fish in Bear River & tributaries
Refd. to Com. on Fisheries.

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On motion of Mr. Robbins of Newfield,
Ordered, That the Com. on Education inquire into the expediency of making it compulsory on the municipal officers of each town to insert in their warrant calling the annual town meetings the following article, viz:
"To see if the town will vote to instruct the Superintending School Com. with the right to employ the teachers for public schools."

On motion of Mr. Young of Mt. Vernon,
Ordered, That the Com. on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire what further legislation if any is necessary in relation to the powers & duties of school agents in calling school meetings.

On motion of Mr. Clay of Gardiner,
Ordered That the Committee on Railroads Ways & Bridges inquire into the circumstances attending the foreclosure of the mortgage of the Kennebec & Portland Railroad by the Trustees of said road & by what authority the Bondholders now claim & have managed said Railroad & to report for reasons & reports & to report to the House,

On motion of Mr. Randlett of Thomaston,
Ordered, That the Gov. & Council be and are hereby authorized & directed to settle with the Contractors of Messrs Seamen & Murphy Contractors for the labor of the Maine State Prison which contract was made on the first day of January 1860,

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On motion of Mr. Turner of Augusta
Ordered, That the Com. on the Pay Roll make up the pay for travel & attendance of Nathaniel Gooch to & including this day.

On motion of Mr. Kingsbury of Portland
Ordered That the Com. on the Jud. inquire into the expediency of providing by law that Sheriffs after their election shall file with the Clerks of the Courts for each County a list of the Deputies by them appointed and the Post-Office address of each and also lists of such changes of deputies as may occur from time to time.

On motion of Mr. Holyoke of Brewer,
Ordered, That the Com. on Jud. inquire whether it is expedient so to amend our election laws that but one ballot-box may be used at one & the same time at Elections.

On motion of Mr Bisbee of Camden,
Ordered, That the Com. on Jud. inquire into the expediency of amending Sec 1 Chap 11 of the Laws of 1858.

On motion of Mr. Clark of Trenton
Ordered, That the several Joint Standing Committees report at the earliest possible day.

Bill an act to amend an act in aid of the families of volunteers Appd. Mch 18, 1862.

Resolve in favor of certain Banks in the State of Maine.

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This Bill having been three times read and the Resolve twice read each passed to be engrossed & reported by the Comm. on Engrossed Bills as truly & strictly engrossed the bill was passed to be enacted, Resolve passed finally each signed by the Speaker & sent to the Senate,

Mr Goodwin from the Comm. on Judiciary reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to a continuance or transfer of actions,

Also legislation inexpedient on order relating to time of taking effect of attachments.

Mr. Cony from the Comm. on St. Lands & State Roads reported leave to withdraw on petition of S. L. Kimball, Also on petition of Avard A. Dingee

These reports were accepted & sent up for concurrence,

Report of Comm. on Elections, being the special assignment of this House was taken up and accepted and Reuben Merrill declared a member of this House,

Mr. Kingsbury of Portland informed the House that Mr. Merrill Rep-elect from North Yarmouth was in attendance & ready to take & subscribe the qualifying oaths. Mr Kingsbury accompanied the Rep-elect to the Council Chamber where he took & subscribed the oaths required by law to enable him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Mr. Hopkinson from the Comm. on the Judiciary

on Bill an act to amend Chap. 113 Laws of 1862 entitled An act providing for the assessment of taxes upon certain towns and plantations, reporting same in a new draft.

Mr. Cony from the Common State Lands and St. Roads on petition of Emmons Whitcomb sole reported Resolve in favor of Betsey Marston. Reports accepted Bill read twice, Resolve read once & tomorrow assd. for third reading of the Bill & Wednesday next for the second reading of the Resolve.

Bill an act to amend the 14th sec of chap. 12 of the R.S. relating to local parishes.

Bill an act to incorporate the South Jefferson Bog Company.

Resolve in favor of County Law Libraries.

The foregoing bills having been three times read & the Resolve twice read were passed to be engrossed sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Kingsbury from the Common Judiciary on petition of Albert Trafant reported Bill an act to authorize Albert Trafant sole to extend their wharf in Harpswell. Report accepted Bill read twice & tomorrow assd. for a third reading.

Bill an act relating to marriage and its solemnization.

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Petition of John Jewett rals for extension of provisions of an act appd. Mch. 27. 1858.

Petition of Selectmen of Camden to make valid the doings of said town.

Petition of Selectmen of Buxton for same.

Petition of Selectmen of Pembroke for same.
The foregoing were refd. to the Com. on the Judiciary

Remonstrance of Timothy Darcy rals against incorporation of Benedicta

Petition of Sarah Jun. Churchills for Lot of land.

Petition of Daniel Randall for an appropriation.
The foregoing were referred to the Com. on States Land & and State roads.

Petition of inhabitants of Oldtown for military road.
Refd. to Com. on Frontier Coast Defences

Petition of Stephen Young rals for alteration of Charter of Gardiner & Pittston Bridge Charter
Refd. to Com. on R. W. & Bridges.

Petition of inhabitants of Dublin for abolition of Trial Justice.
Refd. to Special Com. on Trial Justices.

Petition of Dexter Furrow rals rals for change of name.
Refd. to Com. on Change of Names.

Report of Com. on Affairs of Land Office taken from the table and on motion of Mr. Kingsbury of Portland Tuesday next at 11 o'clock assigned for further consideration of same.

On motion of Mr. Peckham of Beddington

Adjourned.

Attest Charles A. Miller Clerk.

LLMC DIGITAL

Saturday January 31, 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. McKenzie of Augusta

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Order requesting information from the Governor relative to commissioning officers of the conscript formed militia came from the Senate passed & was passed in concurrence;

Report of Joint Select Committee Printing & Binding reporting a Contract with Messrs Stevens and Sayward, This report came from the Senate accepted & the contract approved. Report accepted & contract approved in concurrence

Communication from the Secy of State came from the Senate read & was read in concurrence.

Communication from the Gov. in response to an order of the Legislature relative to a military agency at Washington, came from the Senate refd. to Comm. on Militia & Military Affairs.

Petition of James Drew & als for change in the law of divorce came from the Senate refd. to Comm. on Judiciary;

The foregoing were referred in concurrence;

Order directing Comm. on State Prison to visit that institution came from the Senate that

branch adhering to its former vote. The House adhered to its former vote.

Resolve authorizing a loan in behalf of the State.

Resolve relative to the defences of our North East Frontier.

These Resolves having been twice read were passed to be engrossed, reported by the Com. on Engrossed Bills as truly & strictly engrossed were passed finally signed by the Speaker & sent to the Senate.

Bill an act to authorize Albert Trafant rob to extend their wharf in Hampshire.

Bill an act to amend Chap. 113 of the laws of 1862 entitled an act providing for the assessments of taxes upon certain towns & plantations.

These bills having been three times read & reported by the Com. on Bills in the Third Reading were passed to be engrossed & sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Baldwin Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

Bill an act to incorporate the Portland Grain Warehouse Company.

These bills having been three times read reported by Com. on Bills in the Third Reading were passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. Corey from Com. on St. Lands & St. Roads

on order relating to the settlement of lands to volunteers reported Resolve to amend Resolve to extend the terms of the laws for the settlement of the public lands to Volunteers Appd. Jany 21. 1862. Report accepted. Resolve read once & Monday apd. for a second reading.

Petition of John Easty sols for lot of land.
Refd. to Com. on St. Lands & St. Roads.

Petition of J. W. Sawyer sols off Millridge to make valid the doings of said town.
Refd. to Com. on Judiciary.

Report of Com. on Militia & Military Affairs on order relating to "Putnam improved Eyelet Hook" reporting Resolve for the purchase of Putnam improved Eyelet Hook came from the Senate accepted & the Resolve passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence, Rules suspended Resolve passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr Watson from the Com. on Change of Names on petition of various persons reported Bill an act to change the names of certain persons, Report accepted, Bill read twice & Monday assigned for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Dyer of New Sharon.
Ordered. That the Com. on Jud. inquire what further legislation is necessary to better secure the collection of highway taxes when the same by vote of the town are to be paid in labor and material.

On motion of Mr Taylor of Robbinston.
Adjourned. Attest Chas. A. Miller, Clerk.

Monday February 2. 1863

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Barrow of Augusta.

The Journal of Saturday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate,

Report of Comm. Judiciary on order relating to Chap. 81. Sec. 36. Rev. St. repealing legislation in expedient.

Report of Comm. Banks & Banking repealing legislation inexpedient on order relating to fractional currency.

The reports came from the Senate & read & accepted & in concurrence,

Bill an act to amend Chap. 149 of laws of 1862

Ref. to Comm. on Judiciary.

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Petition of John N. Swazey asks for act of incorporation, Ref. to Comm. on Manufactures.

Petition of Mary L. Crowell for Pension

Ref. to Comm. on Military Pensions.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

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Order authorizing the Governor & Council to take with them Secretary & Treasurer from the Senate ref. to Comm. on State Prison

The House receded & joined the same in concurrence,

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Report of Com. on Ind. on petition of County Treasurer & County Commissioners of Hancock County reporting Bill an act authorizing the County Comm^rs of Hancock County to reassess certain taxes.

Also Bill an act to legalize the doings of Dist. No. 4 in the City of Calais & to authorize said district to borrow money for certain purposes.

Report of Com. on Manufactures on petition of T. S. Lang & Co. reporting Bill an act to incorporate the Vapolbro Mills Company

The foregoing Reports came from the Senate accepted & the Bills passed to be engrossed. Reports accepted in concurrence, bills read twice and tomorrow asst. for a third reading.

Mr. Hammond of Paris moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House passed to be engrossed in concurrence Resolve for the purchase of "Patriarch improved Eyelet Hook" and on motion of Mr. Hayden of Bath the motion to reconsider was laid upon the table & tomorrow at 10½ o'clock assigned for its consideration.

Mr. Coffin of Harrington offered the following order which on motion of Mr. Kingsbury of Portland was laid upon the table.

Ordered, That the Legislature of Maine hereby extend an invitation to Geo. B. McClellan to visit the Capital of the State as the guest of the Legislature & that a Com. of five on the part of the House with such as the Senate may join be appointed to inform him of the invitation of the Legislature & solicit his acceptance of the same.

Petition of E. K. Harding & als relating to obstruction of navigation upon the Kennebec river at Augusta also at Gardiner.

Petition of J. W. North & als relating to Hallowell & Chelsea Bridge
Refd. to Com. on Railroads, Ways & Bridges.

Petition of W. S. Gilman for grant of land
Refd. to Com. on St. Lands & St. Roads.

Petition of Boeriah Brown for grant of land for Military Services. Refd. to Com. on Mil. Pensions.

Bill an act authorizing the expenditure of money for war purposes. Refd. to Com. on Finance.

Resolve to amend resolve to extend the terms of the laws for the settlement of the public lands by volunteers Appd. January 21, 1862 having been twice read was passed to be engrossed & sent up

Mr. Hopkinson from the Com. on Ind. reported ought not to pass on Bill an act to amend Sec 34 Chap 99 of the R.S. relating to Bail Report accepted, sent up for concurrence

On motion of Mr. Moore of Bancroft,

Adjourned

Attest
Charles A. Miller, Clerk.

LLMC DIGITAL

Tuesday February 3rd 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. Taffan of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Bill an act explanatory of Sec. 5 Chap 116 of the R. S. relating to sheriffs fees.

Bill an act to amend Sec. 3 Chap 76 of the R. S. relating to liens on real estate.

Petition of Geo. K. Leavitt & als. of Bangor for leave to extend a wharf into tide water at Bangor

Petition of Josiah H. Talmen & als of Bangor for renewal of the charter of the Bangor Boom Company.

Petition of Charles E. Dole & als of Bangor for amendment of charter of Mattawamkeag Log Driving Company.

The above came from the Senate & ref. to the Committee on Judiciary.

Petition of Trustees of Winslow Bridge for renewal of the charter.

Refd. to Com. on R. R. & Bridges.

The foregoing were ref. to Committees.

Order relating to amendment of chap. 80 of

of 1862 concerning acquedict corporations.

Order dividing Comm. on Judiciary to inquire into expediency of giving Sup. Jud. Court power to require additional sureties in actions of replevin.

These orders came from the Senate passed & were passed in concurrence.

A communication was recd. from the Secy. of State transmitting the returns of the Cashiers of Banks & Clerks of Corporations. This communication & accompanying papers came from the Senate refd. to Comm. on Banks & Banking & were refd. in concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Vassalboro Mills Company

Bill an act authorizing the County Commissioners of Hancock County to reassess certain taxes

Bill an act to legalize the doings of School dist. No 4 in Calais and to authorize said dist. to borrow money for certain purposes

These bills having been three times read respected by the Comm. on Bills in the Third Reading were passed to be engrossed in concurrence

Bill an act to increase the Capital Stock of the Franklin Company.

Bill an act to change the names of certain persons.

These bills having been three times read were passed to be engrossed sent up in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of County Law Libraries came from the Senate amended as per sheet "A" & passed to be Engrossed. The House recede & concur.

Report of Com. on Judiciary reporting legislation inexpedient on order relating to amending Chap. 63 Laws of 1860.
Report accepted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Blake of Bangor.
Ordered That the Land Agent be requested to report to this House as soon as he will can whether there are any grants of land donated by the State to certain institutions or individuals that have not been located & if so to what institutions or persons such grants were made & the quality of land in each case so donated that is yet outstanding & unlocated. And also whether there is any agreement or understanding with the Land office that any of said unlocated grants or portions of grants, should be located upon any particular lands & if so in reference to what grants & upon what lands. And whether any lands donated by the State have been located or deeded since Nov. 30, 1861 not named in report of 1862.

Mr. Cobb from the Com. on Finance on Bill an act authorizing the expenditure of money for war purposes reported the same ought to pass. Report accepted Bill read twice & Wednesday next assigned for a third reading.

Bill an act to legalize the doings of the

Bowdoinham Ridge Meeting House Society,

Petition of the Selectmen of Bremen to enable them to collect certain taxes in said town
Refd. to Com. on Judiciary,

Petition of Levi Bartlett rals for incorporation with bill accompanying the same,

Petition of Union Fire Insurance Company of Bangor to amend its Charter,

Petition of Messrs Ford & Lawrence for an act of incorporation
Refd. to Com. on Mer. Affairs & Insurance,

Petition of Shaw, Tyler & Co relating to the weight of potatoes
Refd. to Com. on Agriculture,

Petition of the inhabitants of Boothbay for the repeal of all acts establishing Trial Justices,

Petition of Wm Seesman for change of name
Refd. to Com. on Change of names,

Resolve for the purchase of "Putnams improved Eyelet Hook" being assigned for this hour was taken up & the question of reconsidering the vote passing this resolve to be engrossed being the question pending. Mr Hammond of Paris moved & the House ordered this question to be taken by Yeas & Nays & being so taken the vote was reconsidered by Yeas 104 Nays 3, The Resolve was postponed indefinitely but up for concurrence

Reports of the Com. to investigate the affairs of the Land Office being the special assignment of this hour was taken up. Mr. Kingsbury of Portland by leave withdrew amendment "A" & presented another in its stead. On motion of Mr. Cony of Augusta the subject was laid upon the table & tomorrow at 11 o'clock assigned for its further consideration.

Communication from the Secy. of State transmitting the County Estimates for the year 1863 & the same were refd. to the Committee on County Estimates.

Also transmitting the returns of Insurance Companies which were refd. to the Com. on Mer. Affairs & Insurance.

The foregoing were sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Watts of New Gloucester

Adjourned.

Attest, Charles A. Miller Clerk.

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Wednesday February 4. 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Penney of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Remonstrance of Ezra Boynton & als against the petition of Reuben D. Coffin
Refd. to Com. Div. of Towns in concurrence.

Report of Com. on Banks & Banking repeating leave to withdraw on petition of Geo. A. Thatcher
Accepted in concurrence.

Report of Com. on Jud. upon petition of Sydney Perham & als repeating bill an act to fix the compensation of jailer for board of prisoners.
This report came from the Senate read & accepted & the bill amended as per sheet "A" & passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice & tomorrow assigned for a third reading.

Mr. Crosby from the Com. on Jud. repeated ought not to pass on Bill an act relating to marriage & its solemnization.
Also legislation inexpedient on order relating to the use of but one ballot-box at elections
Reports accepted & sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Drummond of Bath.
Ordered. That the Com. on the Jud. inquire

into & report upon the expediency of amending Sec. 3. of Chap 127 of the Laws of 1862 so as to allow the municipal authorities of Cities & towns to furnish aid to families of volunteers without regard to their pecuniary circumstances.

On motion of Mr. Watts of New Gloucester Ordered, That the Com. on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending Chap. 10 Sec. 1 of the Rev. Statutes so as not to exempt from military duty & draft into the service of the State or U.S. persons of the denomination of Shakers & Quakers.

Mr. Cobb from the Com. on Finance on bill an act providing in part for the expenditures of government reported the same ought to pass Report accepted Bill read time & Wednesday assigned for a third reading.

Resolve in favor of Wm. T. Johnson.

Resolve in favor of Betsey Marston.

These resolves having been read, time, reported by Com. on Bills in the Third Reading were passed to be engrossed sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to increase the capital stock of the Franklin Company in Lewiston.

Bill an act to incorporate the Baldwin Mutual Insurance Company

Bill an act to incorporate the Portland Grain Warehouse Company.

These bills having been three times read

and passed to be engrossed & passed by the Common Engrossed Bill as truly & strictly engrossed were passed to be enacted signed by the Speaker & sent to the Senate.

Petition of John H. James & als of Bangor for amendment to law of 1858 relating to Drinking Houses & Tippling Shops.

Petition of Ira Dunbar, als for same.

Petition of Nathan Whitten als for same.

Petition of John K. Ames als for same.

Petition of C. Alden als for same.

Petition of James H. Tibbetts als for same.

Petition of N. S. Rice als for same

Petition of Robert Boggs als for same.

Petition of A. B. Nash als for same

The foregoing were referred to the Special Committee on Liquor Law.

Petition of John W. Webster als for repeal of law creating Trial Justices

Petition of G. W. Irish als for same

Refd. to Special Com. on Trial Justices.

Petition of Citizens of Glenburn to make valid the doings of said town

Petition of Assessors of Plantation No. 14 that their doings may be legalized.

Petition of Selectmen of Vienna for same

Petition of Citizens of Paris for same.
The foregoing were referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Petition of James Haley rels. for change in the standard weight of potatoes
Refd. to Com. on Agriculture.

Petition of J. G. Young rels for act of incorporation
Refd. to Com. on Manufactures.

Petition of Isaac Wilder for extension of time to comply with conditions of resolve.
Refd. to Com. on State Lands & St. Roads

Claim of T. E. Heath for services at Lt. Col. of the 19th Regt. Me. Vols.
Refd. to Com. on Claims
The foregoing were sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Eliza S. Snell for change of name
Refd. to Com. on Change of Names

Resolve in relation to Collectors of Taxes in the County of Washington. Presented by Case by Mr. Lyman of Machias & under the rule lies over till tomorrow.

Mr. Hayden from the Com. on Elections to which was referred the credentials of Samuel Bruce and the remonstrance of John W. Golder

reputed a Resolve declaring that John W. Golder is duly Elected a Representative in this House.

On motion of Mr. Page of Berwick the resolve was laid upon the table. On motion of Mr. Clay of Gardiner tomorrow at Eleven o'clock was assigned for its further consideration.

Reports of the Common Affairs of the Land office being the Special assignment of this house was taken up & considered. On motion of Mr. Lyman of Machias the same were laid upon the table & tomorrow at 12½ o'clock assigned for taking the question upon the same.

On motion of Mr. Foster of Newry.

Adjourned,

Attest, Charles A. Miller, Clerk.

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Thursday February 5, 1863

Met. according to adjournment,

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Ingraham of Augusta

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved,

Papers from the Senate,

Petition of S. R. Palmer rels of Belfast for amendment of law of 1858 for suppression of drinking houses & tippling shops,

Petition of J. A. Ross rels of New Gloucester for same,

Petition of Geo. W. Day rels of Pembroke for same,

Petition of J. S. Bridges rels of Newport for same,

Petition of Eli Jones rels of China for same,
Refd. to Com. on Liquor Law

Petition of St. John Smith for extension of time for payment of capital to International Bank,
Refd. to Com. on Banks & Banking,

Bill an act additional to chap. 94 of the Rev. Statutes relating to tenancies
Refd. to Com. on Judiciary,

The foregoing were refd. in concurrence,

Report of Com. on Claims reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Lyndon Oak rels
Also same report on petition of William Jones.

Report of Com. on Mercantile Affairs & Insurance on order relating to amending Sec. 10 Chap 49 of the Rev. Statutes relating to Insurance Companies reporting legislation inexpedient.

Also same report on petition of Samuel Adams rob.

Report of Com. on Treasurers Accounts on order relating to destruction of Bonds & Coupons of the State of Maine submitting a detailed report.

These reports came from the Senate accepted & were accepted in concurrence.

Report Holson from the Com. on Printing & Binding reported a Contract with Messrs Hartford & Smith.

Report accepted & Contract approved.

Bill an act authorizing the expenditure of money for war purposes.

Bill an act providing in part for the expenditures of government, having been three times read reported by the Com. on Bills in the Third Reading were passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to fix the compensation of jailers for the board of prisoners having been three times read reported by the Com. on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of Com. on Judiciary reporting ought not to pass on bill an act relating to marriage and its solemnization, accepted on the 11th instant in this House, came back from the Senate recommitted. The House concurred in the recommitment.

On motion of Mr. Hathaway of Skowhegan
Ordered: That the Comm. on the Library inquire & report whether any & if any what measures are necessary to secure the binding & proper preservation of valuable pamphlets & newspapers now on file in the Library, unbound.

On motion of Mr Sticking of Perry,
Ordered, That the interest of Education will not suffer and the financial condition of the State demands that an investigation be made by the appropriate Com. & report whether a reduction in the compensation to our superintendant of Common Schools for his services in that department cannot be made,

On motion of Mr. Turner of Augusta,
Ordered That the Com. on Pay Roll be directed to make up the pay for travel & attendance of Samuel Bruce Esq. to and including this day.

Mr. Hollrook from the Com. on Div. of Towns on petition of George Hopkins reported bill an act to set off Franklin Plantation, Oxford County & annex the same to the town of Summer.

Mr Kingsbury from the Com. on Jud. on order relating to Deputy Sheriffs reported Bill an act to amend Chap. 80 Sec. 8 of the R.S. relating to Sheriffs,

Mr. Hayden from the Com. on Railroads Ways & Bridges on petition of Olive Moses &c. reported Bill an act to authorize the City of Bath to lend further aid to the Androscoggin Railroad

Amparis,

The foregoing reports were accepted, Bill read twice & tomorrow assd. for a third reading,

Mr. Hollbrook from the Com. on Div. of Towns reported leave to withdraw on petition of Jeremiah E. Holway rels;

Mr. Hopkinson from the Com. on Jud. reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to taxation of personal property of married women;

Reports accepted, sent up for concurrence

Report of Com. on Elections on Credentials of Samuel Bruce & remonstrance of John W. Golder being the special assignment of this Hour was taken up, Mr. Turner of Augusta in behalf of Mr. Page of this Com. offered a minority report; The question being upon the adoption of the Majority report; Mr. Hayden of Bath moved the House ordered the question to be taken by Yeas & Nays & being so taken the report was accepted by Yeas 103, Nays 4; as follows

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs. Abbot, D. F. Ayer, Wm. R. Ayer, Baker, Beard, Birbee, S. H. Blake, Bradbury, Bradford, Bragdon, Buckman, Burgess, Butler, Schase, Cherley, Clark, Cleveland, Cobb, Coffin, Conant, Cony, Copeland, Crosby, Crawford, S. B. Davis, Deshon, Donnell, Dudley, Duley, Dyer, Eddy, R. W. Ellis, Evans, Farwell, C. Foster, J. Foster, C. Foster, Frye, Goodwin, Gunnison, Haley, Hanson, D. Hackett, Hathaway, Hayden, Hazeltine, Hinks, Hobson, Hodgman, S. A. Hollbrook, Holyoke, Hopkinson, Hoxie, Hussey, Kingsbury, Lambert

Laughton Law Learned Leavitt Libby Lothrop Low, Mark Lowell, Moses Lowell, Lyman Manson McCausland, McLellan, McMaster Merrill, Miller, J.W.C. Moore, Joseph Moore, Palmer, John L Parker Peckham, D Perkins, Perlee, Randall Reed Rigby Robbins Rogers Rowe Shaw, Sirois, Sholfield Stacy, Stilson Stickney, Stover, Swift, Talbot Tarbox, Thing, Trundy, Tucker, Turner, Vickery Warren, Watts & Worcester,

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs. Brothby, Clough, Jellison, C. C. Perkins & Small,

Mr. Crosby of Dexter announced the attendance of John W. Golder Rep. Elect from Somerville, Mr. Crosby accompanied the Rep. elect to the Council Chamber where he took & subscribed the oaths to enable him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Petition of City Council of Bangor for authority to assess Harbor dues.

Refd. to Com. on Mer. Affairs & Insurance.

Petition of S. G. Jerrard sols for pay for military services

Refd. to Com. on Claims,

Petition of Oliver Farrington sols for compensation for damages by Indians

Refd. to Com. on Indian Affairs

Bill an act additional to an act incorporating the Portland Railway Company

Refd. to Com. on R. Ways & Bridges.

Petition of S. S. Patton sols for amendment to

Liquor Law,

Petition of J. T. Hinks sols for same;
Refd. to Com. on Liquor Law,

Petition of Seth Gerry & 39 als for repeal of act creating Trial Justices,
Refd. to Com. on Trial Justices

Petition of Selectmen of Peru for repeal of laws for State aid to Volunteers
Refd. to Special Com. on State Aid,

Remonstrance of Selectmen of Buckfield sols against petition of Wm Jordan sols

Remonstrance of Stephen Thurston against petition of B Hutchinson sols &
Refd. to Com. on Education,

Petition of Selectmen of Industry to make valid the doings of said town,

Petition of City Council of Bangor for authority to determine wards

Petition of Joseph McKeen & John Patten Trustees of Ken. & Port. RR for leave to purchase certain Bonds
Refd. to Com. on Judiciary,
The foregoing were sent up for concurrence,

Bill an act to authorize Albert Trafant sols to extend their wharf in Harpswell,

Bill an act authorizing the County Commissioners

of the County of Hancock to reassess certain taxes,

Bill an act to amend the 14th Sec. of chap. 12 of the R.S. relating to local parishes

Bill an act to incorporate the Topsallow Mills Company

Resolve in favor of County Law Libraries;
These bills having been three times read & the Resolve twice read, each passed to be engrossed & reported by the Com. on Engrossed Bills as truly & strictly engrossed the Bills were passed to be enacted. Resolves passed finally each signed by the Speaker & sent to the Senate.

Resolve relating to a reduction in the price of paper, presented by leave by Mr. Duhon of Canton & on motion of Mr. Hayden of Bath laid upon the table,

Report of the Joint Select Com. who were instructed to investigate the affairs of the Land Office with a view of reducing the expenses of the same, being the special assignment of this hour was taken up, and the question being upon amending the report by substituting the report of a minority of said Committee, Mr. Crosby of Dexter moved & the House ordered this question to be taken by Yeas & Nays & being so taken the amendment was adopted by Yeas 111 Nays 10 as follows:
Those who voted in the affirmation were Messrs Abbott, D.F. Ayer, H.R. Ayer, Baker Beane

Bisbee, S H Blake, Boothby, Bradbury, Bradford, Bragdon, Bucknam, Burgess, Cherley, Clark, Cleaveland, Clough, Cobb, Coffin, Cement, Copeland, Crosby, Crawford, S B. Davis, Day, Dishon, Dunnell, Dudley, Duley, Eddy, Eddred, R W. Ellis, Evans, Farwell, Fernald, C Foster, J. Foster, C. Foster, Frye, Golden, Goodwin, Gunnison, Haley, Hanson, D Haskell, H G O Haskell, Hathaway, Hayden, Hazeltine, Hinkle, Holzman, S A Hollbrook, S T Hollbrook, Holyoke, Howard, Hoxie, Hussey, Jellison, Kellar, Kent, Lambert, Laughton, Law, Lawrence, Learned, Leavitt, Libby, Lothrop, Low, Mark, Lowell, Moses, Lowell, Lyman, Manson, McCausland, McIntire, McLellan, McMartin, Merrill, Miller, Joseph Moore, Palmer, John L Parker, Peckham, C C Perkins, D Perkins, Porter, Rankin, Reed, Rigby, Robbins, Rogers, Rowe, Sims, Skolfield, Sleeper, Small, Stacy, Stetson, Stickney, Stiver, Swift, Talbot, Tarbox, Thurg, Trundy, Tucker, Vickery, Warren, Watts, Winslow, Worcester.

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs. Butler, Solon Chase, Cony, Drummond, Dyer, Hobson, Hopkinson, Kingsbury, Shaw, Turner, &

The report as amended was then accepted. Bill an act defining the salary & compensation of the Land Agent. This bill the rules being suspended, was read three times amended as per sheets "A" "B" & "C" & as amended, passed to be engrossed; sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Kingsbury of Portland

Adjourned.

Attest Charles A. Miller, Clerk.

Friday February 6 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Bray of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved;

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of David Weston for deed of land;
Refd. to Com. on State Lands & St. Roads.

Petition of Parker & Pearle of Dedham for act of incorporation
Refd. to Com. on Manufactures.

Petition of Wm Souden of Bangor for alteration in law of pilotage in Penobscot River.
Refd. to Com. on Mercantile Affairs & Insurance.

Petition of John C. Friend & als of Etna for power to sell Baptist Meeting House in said town.

Petition of Samuel A. Pallen for act of incorporation
Refd. to Com. on Judiciary
The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Order directing the Com. on Reform School to visit that institution came from the Senate passed.
The House refused the same a passage.

Order directing the Com. on Education to consider the expediency of a legislative act to prevent school committees acting as agents of the publishers of

school books. Passed in concurrence.

Report of Com. on Claims on petition of A. W. Wilds sale repeating reference to the Com. on Judiciary
Report accepted in concurrence.

Report of Com. on Mercantile Affairs & Insurance on petition of Sebec Lake Steamboat Company refuting bill an act making valid & amending acts incorporating the Sebec Lake Steamboat Company. Came from the Senate accepted & the bill passed to be engrossed. Reports accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice and tomorrow assd. for a third reading.

Bill an act to incorporate the So. Jefferson Bog Company came from the Senate amended as per sheet "A" & passed to be engrossed. The House insisted on its former vote proposed a conference & appointed Messrs Stickney of Perry, Ellis of Northport & Kingsbury of Portland conferees on the part of the House.

Resolve in favor of Joseph Sockabaum came from the Senate passed to be engrossed. Rules suspended & passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of Com. on Jud. on Bill an act to amend Chap. 149 of the Laws of 1862 & repeating same ought to pass. Came from the Senate accepted & bill passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence, bill read twice & tomorrow assd.

On motion of Mr. Kent of Bremen;
Ordered; That the Com. on Jud. inquire into the expediency of amending Chap. 23 Sec. 3

of the Rev. Statutes so that said Sec. shall apply to Islands owned by two or more persons.

On motion of Mr. Clay of Gardiner

Ordered, That the Com. on Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending Chap. 22 of the R.S. in relation to Division fences.

On motion of Mr. Blake of Bangor

Ordered: That the Com. on Judiciary inquire what alterations if any are necessary in the Statute of limitations to promote justice & the best interests of the people of the State.

On motion of Mr. Ellis of Penobscot

Ordered That a Com. of Seven be raised on the part of the House with such as the Senate may join to examine the affairs of the office of Secretary of State & see what reduction if any can be made in the expences of the same.

On motion of Mr. Crosby of Dexter

Ordered, That the Joint Standing Com. on Education take into consideration the expediency of repealing all laws establishing a Superintendant of Common Schools and County Conventions of Teachers.

Bill an act to legalize the doings of school district No. 4 in the City of Calais & authorize said district to borrow money for certain purposes.

Bill an act to amend Chap. 113 of the Laws of 1862 entitled An act providing for the assessment of taxes upon certain lands & declaring.

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Resolve to amend Resolve extending the terms of the laws for the settlement of the public lands approved, Jany 21, 1862;

These bills having been three times read & the Resolve twice read, each passed to be engrossed, reported by the Common Engrossed Bills as truly & strictly engrossed, the bills were passed to be enacted Resolves passed finally each signed by the Speaker & sent to the Senate;

Mr. Crosby from Com. on Judiciary on Bill an act to amend Sec. 3 Chap 76 of the R.S. relating to levies on real estate, reported the same ought to pass,

Also on order relating to the preservation of certain birds reported Bill an act for the preservation of certain birds,

Mr Clay from same Com. on petition of John Jewett, sols reported Bill an act to continue in force the provisions of an act additional to an act incorporating the proprietors of the Gardiner & Pittston Bridge;

Mr Cony from Com. on State Lands & St. Roads on petition of Spaulding Robinson sols. reported Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a tract of land to Spaulding Robinson;

Also on petition of O.R. Sinis, Resolve relating to settlers on the new St. John

The foregoing reports were accepted. Bills read twice Resolves read once & tomorrow assigned for the third reading of the bills & second reading of the resolves,

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Bill an act to set off a part of Franklin Plantation in Oxford County & annex the same to the town of Summer.

Bill an act to authorize the City of Bath to send further aid to the Androscoggin R.R. Company.

Bill an act to amend Chap. 80 Sec 8 of the Revised Statute relating to Sheriffs.

These bills having been three times read & reported by the Com. on Bills in the Third Reading were passed to be engrossed & sent up for concurrence.

Resolves relating to National Affairs taken from the table & on motion of Mr. Symons of Machias Thursday next was assigned for their consideration.

The Speaker announced, to fill the vacancies occasioned in the Joint Standing Committees by the acceptance of the report of the Com. on Elections: On Public Buildings, Mr. Golden of Somerville in place of Mr. Bruce. On Military Pensions Mr. Merrill of No. Yarmouth in place of Mr. Gooch.

Mr. Hopkinson from the Com. on Judiciary reported leave to withdraw on petition of the town of Buxton.

Report accepted, sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Sewiston Bagging Company for additional legislation.

Refer. to Com. on Manufactures.

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Petition of Wm Chalonce for repeal of law creating Trial Justices,

Petition of Mr. A. Herrick & ols for same Refd. to Special Com. on Trial Justices,

Petition of Ann M. Nute for change of name Refd. to Com. on Change of Names;

On motion of Mr. Chesley of Crystal Plan^tn,

Adjourned.

Attest,

Charles A. Miller, Clerk,

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Saturday February 7 1863

Met according to adjournment

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Cony of Augusta,
Ordered. That during the absence of the Speaker Benjamin Kingsbury jr Esq be declared Speaker pro tem.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Drew of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved,

On motion of Mr Hopkinson of Ft. Fairfield the Clerk was charged with & conveyed a message to the Senate & to the Governor & Council informing them that in the absence of the Speaker the House had made choice of Benjamin Kingsbury jr. Esq as Speaker pro tempore,

Papers from the Senate,

Petition of the Selectmen of New Portland that the doings of said town may be made valid
Refd. to Com. on Jud. in concurrence,

Report of Com. on Mercantile Affairs & Insurance on an act in addition to an act to incorporate the Union Fire Insurance Company of Bangor

Report of Com. on Jud. on petition of Selectmen of Bremen reporting bill an act relating to the sale of real estate for nonpayment of taxes

in Bremen opposed in the year 1860.

Also on Bill an act explanatory of Sec. 5 Chap. 116 of the R. S. relating to Sheriffs fees, that the same ought to pass.

Report of Com. on Railroads Ways & Bridges on Bill an act to extend the time for the completion of the York & Cumberland R. R.

These reports came from the Senate accepted & the bills passed to be engrossed. Reports accepted in concurrence. Bills read twice and Monday next appd. for a third reading.

Report of Com. on St. Lands & St. Roads on petition of W. S. Gilman relating leave to withdraw came from the Senate accepted & was accepted in concurrence.

Bill an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A" & passed to be engrossed. The House concurred in amendment "A" & passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to amend Chap. 149 of the Laws of 1862 relating to attachments in civil actions.

Bill an act making valid & amending the Acts incorporating the Sebec Lake Steamboat Company.

Bill an act to amend Art. 22, Sec. 4, Chap. 1 of the Rev. Statutes, relating to rules of construction.

These bills having been three times read & reported by the Com. on Bills in the Third Reading

were passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to amend Sec. 3 Chap. 76 of the Rev. Statutes relating to levies on real estate.

Bill an act for the preservation of certain birds.

Bill an act to continue in force the provisions of an act additional to an act incorporating the proprietors of Gardiner & Pittston Bridges.

Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a tract of land to Spaulding Robinson

Resolve in relation to certain Settlers on certain township on the river St. John.

These bills having been three times read & the Resolves twice read. Each repeated by the Common Bills in the Third Reading were passed to be engrossed & sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to change the names of certain persons.

Bill an act to fix the compensation of Jailers for support of board of prisoners.

Bill an act authorizing the expenditure of money for war purposes.

Resolve in favor of Joseph Sockabasin.

Resolve in favor of Betsey Marston.

Resolve in favor of Wm. F. Johnson

The foregoing Bills having been three times read and the Resolves twice read each passed to be engrossed & reported by the Com. on Engrossed Bills as truly & strictly engrossed the bills were passed to be enacted, resolves passed finally each signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Order relating to taxation of Bank Stock owned out of the State presented by Mr. Lyman of Machias on his motion laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. Day of Stowe
Ordered, That the Com. on Jud. inquire into the expediency of amending Sec. 2 of Chap. 104 of the laws of 1862 relating to the assessment of taxes.

Petition of Barnet Wharf of Machias to make valid the doings of said town.

Petition of Luther Reed for act of amendment.

Bill an act in relation to Stock Insurance Companies.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary & sent up for concurrence.

Resolves relating to the price of paper taken from the table, rules suspended. Resolves read twice passed to be engrossed sent up for concurrence.

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Resolution in relation to Collectors of taxes for the County of Washington. Taken from the table, read once & Monday appointed for a second reading.

On motion of Wm. Law of Washington.

Adjourned.

Attest

Charles A. Miller, Clerk.

Monday February 9, 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Morse of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Order relative to the taxation of Bank Stock.

Order relating to amendment of Chap. 82 of laws of 1862 & Chap 29 of the R. S.

Order requesting Secy. of State to distribute to each member of the Legislature one copy of the laws of the United States passed at the Second Session of the 3rd Congress.

Order relating to the annual report of the Indian Agents.

These orders came from the Senate passed & were passed in concurrence.

Petition of Wm. L. Parsons for deed of lot of land Refd. to Com. St. Lands & St. Roads in concurrence.

Report of Com. on Indian Affairs on credentials of John Nod reporting Resolve in favor of John Nod & Allean Lewey.

Report of Com. on St. Lands & St. Roads on petition of Isaac Wilder reporting Resolve giving further time for completing Bridge in the County of Aroostook.

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These reports were accepted. Resolves read once & Lemmon assigned for a second reading.

Bill an act extending the time to complete the construction of the York & Cumberland Railroad,

Bill an act relating to the sale of real estate for nonpayment of taxes in Bremen assessed in the year 1860

Bill an act in addition to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Union Fire Insurance Company of Bangor.

Bill an act explanatory of sec. 5 chap 116 of the R.S. relating to Sheriffs' fees.

These bills having been three times read & reported by the Common Bills in the Third Reading were passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve relating to Collectors of taxes in the County of Washington read a second time & passed to be engrossed, sent to the Senate.

Order relating to the expediency of taxing bank stock owned out of the State taken from the table on motion of Mr Lyman of Machias, & passed.

On motion of Mr. Mendel of Yarmouth

Ordered That the Sud. Com. inquire whether any further legislation is necessary to secure the rights of voters at annual town meetings.

On motion of Mr. Talbot of Cen. Machias
Ordered, That the Com. on Jud. inquire into the expediency of the State assuming the Bounty paid by towns to Volunteers the last Summer;

On motion of Mr. Clay of Gardiner,
Ordered, That the Com. on Jud. inquire into the expediency of amending Chap 67 of R. S. relating to the settlement of the Estates of Minors; also to examine the provisions of Chap. 64 of the R. S. in relation to Executors of wills & Administrators accounts whether further legislation is necessary to carry into effect the provisions of said Chapter.

Report of Com. on Judiciary on Resolve providing for presentation of certain publications to the Maine State Seminary. This report came from the Senate refd. House on State Library with instructions. House concurred.

Bill an act to amend an Act Entitled an Act to incorporate the Portland Mutual Loan & Savings Association.

Petition of the Selectmen of Cherryfield that the doings of said town may be made valid.
Refd. House on Judiciary

Petition of B. M. Tyler asks for repeal of law creating Trial Justices

Petition of inhabitants of New Sharon for same.
Refd. to Special Com. on Trial Justices.

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Remonstrance of John Carroll against incorporation of Benedicta

Refd. to Com. on Incorporation of Towns.

Petition of Eben Jackson asking the State to provide for the payment of certain notes

Petition of Nathan F. Lufkin for leave to purchase a lot of land
Refd. to Com. on St. Lands & St. Roads,

Petition of A. Hayford in relation to weight of potatoes and oats
Refd. to Com. on Agriculture,

Petition of George York of No. Yarmouth to be set off to Yarmouth
Refd. to Com. on Div. of Towns

Bill an act to amend Chap. 149 of the Laws of 1862 relating to attachments in civil actions.

Bill an act to provide in part for the expenditures of Government.

Bill an act to amend Art. 22 Sec. 4 Chap. 1 of the R.S. relating to rules of construction. These bills having been three times read & passed to be engrossed, reported by the Com. on Engrossed Bills as truly & strictly engrossed were passed to be enacted signed by the Speaker & sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr Moore of Bancroft
Adjourned
Attest Charles A. Miller, Clerk.

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Tuesday February 10, 1863,

Met according to adjournment,

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Waterman of Hallowell,

The Journal of Yesterday was read & approved,

Papers from the Senate.

Order relative to alteration of chap. 38 Laws of 1861 came from the Senate passed & was passed in concurrence.

Petition of Waterville College to have the State Agricultural College annexed to said College
Refd. to Com. on Education.

Bill an act additional to the act of March 19, 1860 to secure the safety of travellers on railroads
Refd. to Com. on R. W. & Bridges.
The foregoing were refd. in concurrence.

Resolve giving further time for the completion of a bridge in the town of Washburn.

Resolve in favor of John Noel and Attean Sewey
The foregoing resolves having been twice read and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading were passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to establish the compensation of the Clerk of the Sup. Jud. Court for the

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County of Penobscot
Refd. to Joint Delegation from Penobscot Co.

On motion of Mr Harkell of Garland,
Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending Chap. 23. Sec 3. of the Revised Statutes relating to stray beasts.

On motion of Mr Rigby of Newburg.
Ordered That the Committee on Agriculture be instructed to present a bill requiring all owners of lands in this State to adopt some method for the destruction of Canada thistles.

On motion of Mr. Gunnison of Scarboro
Ordered That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of repealing Chap 191 of the Laws of 1860 entitled an act in addition to chap 6 of the Revised Statutes on the appointment and collection of taxes.

On motion of Mr. Turner of Hoyt
Ordered, That the Comm. on Militia & Military Affairs inquire into the expediency of amending Chap 134 of the Laws of 1862 relating to the Enrolment and organization of the Militia of the State so as to make it more effective in the accomplishment of the object contemplated by said Act.

Petition of John Hubbard & 106 als for repeal of law authorizing the management of Railroads by Trustees instead of Directors.

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Refd. to Com. on R. Ways & Bridges.

Petition of John H. Williams to amend Charter of the Provincetown Land & Water Power Company

Refd. to Com. on Manufactures.

Petition of T. B. Grant et als of Prospect that the doings of North Prospect Burying Ground Corporation be made valid

Bill an act relating to Land Certificates

Refd. to Com. on Judiciary and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Ryder of Newbury,

Adjourned.

Attest, Charles A. Miller, Clerk.

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Wednesday February 11. 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr Howard of Holliston.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Order directing Com. on Jud. to inquire relative to taxation of deposits in Savings Institutions.
Passed in concurrence.

Bill an act to legalize the doings of the Proprietors of Pew Holders in the Baptist Meeting House in the village of Hardwick
Refd. to Com. on Judiciary

Petition of D. N. Rogers & als for appropriation for repairing bridges on the Fish River Road.

Petition of D. R. Batchelder for deed of lot of land
Refd. to Com. on St. Lands & St. Roads.

Petition of Thomas Boyd 243 als of Harmony for amendment to Law of 1858 for suppression of Drinking Houses & Tippling Shops.

Petition of Charles Lothrop & als for dams,
Refd. to Special Com. on Legion Land.
The foregoing were opened in concurrence.

Report of Com. on Judiciary on petition of Kennebec Telegraph Company reporting bill an act

authorizing the Kennebec Telegraph Company to lease or sell their line.

Report accepted, till next time & Commission assigned.

Bill an act making valid & amending the acts incorporating the Sebec Lake Steamboat Company.

Bill an act in addition to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Union Fire Insurance Company.

Bill an act to amend Chap. 80 Sec 8 of the Revised Statutes relating to Sheriffs.

Bill an act explanatory of Sec 5 Chap. 116 of the R. S. relating to Sheriffs' fees.

Bill an act to set off a part of Franklin Plantation in the County of Oxford & annex the same to the town of Sumner.

Bill an act relating to the sale of real estate for the non-payment of taxes in Bremen assessed in the year 1860.

Bill an act to extend the time for the completion of the York & Cumberland Railroad.

These bills having been three times read and passed to be engrossed, reported by the Com. on Engrossed Bills as truly & strictly engrossed were passed to be enacted signed by the Speaker & sent to the Senate.

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Mr. Stickney from the Com. on Interior Waters on petition of George W. Bickford vols reported reference of same to the next Legislature.
Also leave to withdraw on petitions of Daniel Wass vols and of John Eastman vols.

Mr. Crosby from the Com. on Judiciary on petition of John C. Friend vols reported reference to the next Legislature with an order of notice.

Mr. Hopkinson from the same Committee reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to check lists.

Mr. Beard from the Com. on Militia & Military Affairs reported leave to withdraw on petition of N. J. Miller vols.
These reports were severally accepted & sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Goodwin from the Com. on Judiciary on petition of Sumner A. Patten reported Bill an act to incorporate the Martin, Wardens & Members of Mt. Kineo Lodge.
Report accepted, Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for a third reading.

Mr Randlett from the Com. on Mercantile Affairs & Insurance on petition of Messrs Ford & Lawrence reported bill an act to incorporate the Rockland & Thomaston Gas Light Company. Report accepted Rules suspended; Bill read three times & passed to be engrossed, sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to confer certain powers upon the City of Portland,

Petition of C. A. Page sols for repeal of act incorporating the City of Hallowell,

Petition of Charles Brimmer sols that the doings of towns of Mariaville & Otis be made valid
Refd. to Com. on Judiciary,

Petition of Moses B. Bliss sols for amendment of act regulating Kennebec fisheries
Refd. to Com. on Ken. Fisheries,

Petition of John Pomroy sols of Bancroft Pl. for act of incorporation
Refd. to Com. on Mc. of Towns,

Petition of S. Butterfield sols of Springfield for repeal of acts creating Trial Justices,

Remonstrance of officers of Hancock County against repeal of act creating Trial Justices,
Refd. to Special Com. on Trial Justices,

Petition of Frederic Gardiner sols for legislation repicting Portland & Ken. R. Road
Refd. to Com. on R. Ways & Bridges,
The foregoing were sent up for concurrence,

On motion of Mr. Perkins of Penobscot,

Adjourned,
Attest,
Charles A. Miller, Clerk,

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Thursday Feby 12, 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Crane of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Order relating to money paid to Fish Wardens came from the Senate passed & was passed in concurrence.

Report of Com. on Militia & Military Affairs on order relating to Military Agencies reporting Resolve providing for the establishment of military agencies. Report accepted, Resolve read once & tomorrow assigned.

Bill an act in addition to Chap 80 of the Rev. Statutes.

Bill an act to amend an act to incorporate the Greenwood Cemetery Company.

Bill an act to amend an act to incorporate the City of Lewiston.

Petition of G. S. Steward sols for repeal of law authorizing Railroad Companies to foreclose mortgages
Refd. to Com. on Judiciary.

Petition of Peter Moulton for aid in building Mills on township No. 2 Range 3.

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Petition of Samuel B. Gilman for charge of laws for cutting spruce timber
Refd. to Com. on St. Lands & St. Roads.

Claim of F. C. Chick for services
Refd. to Com. on Claims.

Petition of Mercantile Bank Bangor for increase of capital stock.
Refd. to Com. on Banks & Banking.

Petition of Samuel Dunt to remove obstruction from Purhaw Pond.
Refd. to Com. on Int. Waters.

Remonstrance of N. R. Boutelle & ots against renewal of charter of Winslow Bridge

Remonstrance of Thos S. Lang & ots against same.
Refd. to Com. R. W. & Bridges in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Penobscot Indians against change of treaty. ...

Petition of Penobscot Indians in favor of Governor & Lieutenant Governor

Petition of Penobscot Indians for land & plowing

Petition of Penobscot Indians for school.

Credentials of Paul Sockis Representative from Penobscot Indians
Refd. to Com. on Indian Affairs.

Petition of Mayor and Aldermen of Augusta

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for exemption of certain property from taxation,
Refd. to Com. on Manufactures.

Petition of Wm. M. Rogers and 111 als in relation to Ken & Portland R.R. Company,
Refd. to Com. on R. Ways & Bridges.

Petition of Trustees of Farmington Academy for establishment of State Normal School
Refd. to Com. on Education.

Petition of Wm Singer sol. for renewal of the Charter of Geiger Mfg. Company.

Petition of John H. Adams sol. for amendment of Charter of White Lime Rock Company,
Refd. to Com. on Mer. Affairs & Insurance.

Petition of Selectmen of Albion that the doings of said town be made valid.

Petition of town of Orono for act explanatory of settlement of voters

Bill an act explanatory of chap 46 of the Rev. Statutes
Refd. to Com. on Judiciary.

Mr Kingsbury from the Com. on Jud. on Bill an act to amend. an act to incorporate the Portland Mutual Loan & Savings Association reported same ought to pass.

Mr Holbrook from Com. on Div. of Towns on petition of David Larrabee reported bill an act to set off a portion of land belonging to David

Larrabee from Lisbon to Webster.
These reports were accepted Bills read twice & tomorrow assigned.

Bill an act to incorporate the Martin Wardens & Members of Mt. Kineo Lodge read a third time & passed to be engrossed. sent up.

Bill an act authorizing the Kennebec Telegraph Company to lease or sell their line read a third time & passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. Stone from the Com. on Education reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to powers and duties of Superintendent School, Corrs.

Mr. Hodgman from same Com. made same report of order relating to compensation of Superintendents of Schools.

Mr. Clay from Com. on Jud. made same report on order relating to ownership of Islands.

Mr Crosby from same Com. reported reference to the next Legislature on Resolve in favor of Allen & O'Brien.

Mr. Hayden from the Com. on R Ways & Bridges reported reference to the next Legislature with an order of notice on petition of Directors of Winslow Bridge

Mr Holbrook from Com. on Div of Towns reported reference to the Com. on Div. of Counties on petition of William Young & als.

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Mr Kellar from Com. on Inc. of Towns reported leave to withdraw on petition of Charles H. Farmer sols.

These reports were accepted & sent to the Senate.

A message was received from the Governor through the Secy. of State transmitting a letter from the Hon. S. Brannon of California accompanying the presentation of a portrait of Sir Wm Pepperill

Mr Blake of Bangor presented Resolves refusing the thanks of the Legislature & the same were adopted unanimously.

Bill an act to incorporate the Rockland and Thomaston Gas Light Company having been three times read & passed to be engrossed reported by the Com. on Engrossed Bills as truly & strictly engrossed was passed to be enacted signed by the Speaker & sent to the Senate.

Resolves relating to National Affairs being the special assignment for this Hour were taken up & read a second time, considered & laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. Dyer of New Sharon.

Adjourned

Attest

Charles A. Miller, Clerk.

Friday February 13, 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Fuller of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of John M. Noyes & als. for repeal of laws creating Trial Justices.
Refd. to Special Comm. on Trial Justices.

Remonstrance of Calvin Taylor & 30 als. against recharter of Winslow Bridge.
Refd. to Comm. on R.W. & Bridges.

Petition of Selectmen of Sedgwick to make valid doings of said town.

Petition of Frederic Gardiner & als. for legislation relative to Kenn. & Portland R.R.
Refd. to Com. on Judiciary.

Report of Comm. on Education in order relative to School Committees reporting legislation inexpedient; came from the Senate accepted & was accepted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Reed of Boothbay
Ordered: That the Comm. on the Jail inquire into the expediency of limiting cities & towns to not exceed certain amounts in furnishing aid to families of volunteers.

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Bill an act to set off a portion of land belonging to David Larrabee from Liston to Webster.

Bill an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Portland Mutual Loan and Savings Association

These bills having been three times read & reported by the Com. on Bills in the Third Reading were passed to be engrossed & sent up for concurrence.

Resolve providing for the establishment of military Agencies having been twice read was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of Com. on State Lands & State Roads on petition of C. R. Bachelder reporting a Resolve in favor of James R. Bachelder.

Report of Com. on Jud. on order relating to the claim of Sumner & Mary, reporting Resolve authorizing the Gov. & Council to settle with the bondsmen of Sumner & Mary. These reports came from the Senate accepted, & the Resolves passed to be engrossed, Reports accepted in concurrence, Rules suspended & Resolves passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. Clay from the Com. on the Jud. on Bill an act to amend an act to incorporate the city of Lewiston reported the same ought to pass

Report accepted, Rules suspended bill read three times & passed to be engrossed sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Cony from the Com. on St. Lands & State

Roads in petition of Leonard Bearce reported Resolve in aid of building a bridge at Mattawamkeag Forks.

Also on petition of Peter Moulton. Resolve in aid of mills in South half of Township No. 2 Range 3 W. E. L. S. in the County of Aroostook.

Mr Burgess from Com. on Indian Affairs on petition of Penobscot Indians reported Resolve in favor of Joseph Allean & John Neptune.

These reports were accepted. Resolves read once & Wednesday next assd. for second reading.

Mr. Crosby from the Com. on Jud. on Attorney Generals report, reported bill an act to amend Chap. 79 of the R. S. relating to County Attorneys — also Bill an act additional to chap. 8 of the R. S. relating to Co. Treasurers;

Mr. Gunnison from the Com. on Div. of Towns on petition of Ebenr Mayo rols, reported Bill an act to set off certain lands from the town of Frankfort & annex the same to the town of Monroe.

These reports were accepted Bills read twice & tomorrow assd. for a third reading.

Mr Grant from the Com. on Militia & Military Affairs reported legislation inexpedient in order providing for reimbursing orderly Sergts,

Mr. Ross from Com. on Claims reported leave to withdraw on petition of Manly Hardy & als.

Mr Hinks from Same Com. reported reference

to the Com. on Judiciary on petition of S. G. Jerrard & al.

Mr Hopkinson from Com. on Judiciary reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to levy of executions.

Mr Gunnison from Com. on Div of Towns reported reference to the next Legislature with an order of notice on petition of George York.

Mr. Abbott from the Com. on Agriculture reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to the standard weight of grass seeds.

Mr Burgess from Com. on Indian Affairs reported leave to withdraw on petition of A. T. Palmer and of Olive Farrington & als.

The foregoing reports were accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to continue in force the provisions of an act additional to an act incorporating the Gardiner and Pittston Bridge.

Bill an act for the preservation of certain birds.

Bill an act authorizing the City of Bath to lend further aid to the Androscoggin R.R. Company.

Bill an act to amend Sec. 3 Chap. 76 of the R.S. relating to levies on real estate.

Bill an act authorizing the Ken. Telegraph Co. to lease or sell their line.

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Resolve in relation to Letters on certain townships on river St. John,

Resolve in favor of John Neptune & Hilaire Lewey,

Resolve giving further time for completing a bridge in the town of Washburn,

Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a tract of land to Spaulding Robinson,

These bills having been three times read and the resolves twice read each passed to be engrossed & reported by the Com. on Engrossed Bills as truly & strictly engrossed the bills were passed to be enacted. Resolves passed finally each signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate,

Petition of Taft Comstock rals for repeal of law creating Trial Justices,

Petition of Seivall Stroats rals for same

Remonstrance of Peter R. Hall rals against same.

Refd. to Spec. Com. on Trial Justices,

Remonstrance of J. R. Doolittle rals against repeal of law regulating Ken. Fisheries,

Refd. to Special Com. on Fisheries

Resolve authorizing Land Agent to convey certain Lands,

Petition of Mary A. Henderson for deed of

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Wt of land
Refd. to Com. on St. Lands & St. Roads.

Remonstrance of Andrew Masters rots against repeal of City Charter of Hallowell.

Bill an act respecting Bondholders of Railroad Corporations.
Refd. to Com. on Judiciary.

Petition of David Sprott to be set off from Etna to Carmel
Refd. to Com. Div. of Towns.

Petition of Trustees of Wetbrook Seminary for alteration of Charter
Refd. to Com. on Education.

Petition of George Sutton rots for act of incorporation
Refd. to Com. on Mer. Affrs & Insurance

On motion of Mr Bloke of Bangor,
Ordered That the Com. on Indian Affairs inquire into the expediency of repealing a resolve approved March 13 1861 entitled Resolve in favor of Bellman & Young and to report what legislation, if any, is necessary in consequence of said repeal.

Resolves relating to national Affairs being the subject under consideration when the House adjourned, were taken up. Mr Lyman of Machias presented certain amendments to the amendment proposed by himself. The Resolves were further considered & on motion

of Mr Gunnison of Scarboro the same were laid upon the table & tomorrow at 11 o'clock assigned for their further consideration,

On motion of Mr. Sellers of Biddeford

Adjourned

Attest

Charles W. Miller, Clerk,

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Saturday, Feby. 14, 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Sargent of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of County Commissioners of Knox County for change of time for holding court of County Commissioners.
Refd. to Knox County Delegations

Petition of A. D. Brown rals for act of incorporation
Refd. to Com. on Manufactures.

Petition of Rufus Tuttle rals for amendment to Liquor Law.

Petition of A. C. Hewey rals for same.
Refd. to Special Com. on Liquor Law.

Remonstrance of J. M. Crooker rals against change of laws regulating Ken. Fisheries

Remonstrance of D. R. Wing rals against same.
Refd. to Select Com. on Ken. Fisheries.

Petition of John B. Hays rals for State aid in building mills. Refd. to Com. on St. Lands & St. Roads.
The foregoing were refund in concurrence.

Order relating to the disposition of Specie by

banks came from the Senate passed & was passed in concurrence.

Report of the Com. on Judiciary reporting reference to the Joint Select Com. on State Aid on order relative to amending Chap. 127 of the Laws of 1862.

Report of Com. on Agriculture reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Officers of Maine Pomological & Horticultural Society.

These reports came from the Senate accepted & were accepted in concurrence.

Report of Com. on Manufactures reporting leave to withdraw on petition of York Manufacturing Co. came from the Senate recommitted & the House concurred.

Bill an act to set off certain lands from the town of Frankfort & annex the same to the town of Monroe.

Bill an act to amend Chap. 79 of the R. S. relating to County Attorneys.

Bill an act additional to Chap. 8 of the R. S. relating to County Treasurers.

These bills having been three times read reported by Com. on Bills in the Third Reading were passed to be engrossed & sent up for concurrence.

Report of Com. on Manufactures on petition of John N. Swazey & als reporting Bill an act to incorporate the Hancock Manufacturing Company.

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Report of same Com. on petition of Lewiston Bagging Co. reporting bill an act to amend an act to incorporate the Lewiston Bagging Company Approved Feby 8 A.D. 1853 and to increase the capital stock of N. Corporation

These reports came from the Senate accepted & the bills passed to be engrossed. Reports accepted in concurrence. Bills read twice & Monday assigned.

Mr. Hopkinson from the Com. on Judiciary on petition of City Council of Bangor reported leave to withdraw. Report accepted, sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in relation to the Portrait of Sir William Pepperell.

Resolve providing for the establishment of military agencies

Resolve authorizing the Gov. & Council to settle with the bondsmen of Sumner & Marys.

Resolve in favor of James R. Bachelder.

These Resolves having been twice read & passed to be engrossed reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly & strictly engrossed were passed to be enacted signed by the Speaker sent to the Senate

Mr. Warren of Vassar presented the following order which in motion of Mr Crosby of Dexter was laid upon the table. Ordered That this Legislature the Senate concurring, do adjourn without day the Friday the 6th of March next

Petition of S. Allen sols for repeal of act establishing Trial Justices.
Refd. to Special Comm. on Trial Justices.

Petition of Otis S. Tibbetts for permission to impose a tree on Logs.
Refd. to Comm. on Interior Waters.

Petition of S. G. Harker sols for incorporation of Bank
Refd. to Comm. on Banks & Banking.

Petition of T. L. Pallen sols for repeal of act incorporating Foxcroft Fire Company
Refd. to Comm. Mun. Affairs & Insurance.

Petition of Edmund Warren for services as Orderly Sergt.

Petition of Messrs. Hancock & Wallingford for same.
Refd. to Comm. on Mil. & Military Affairs.

Petition of J. W. A. Brewster for deed of Land.
Refd. to Comm. on St. Lands & St. Roads.

Petition of Selectmen of Brighton to have lands set off from Athens to Brighton.
Refd. to Comm. on Div. of Towns.

Petition of John G. Tibbetts for act incorporation.
Refd. to Comm. on Manufactures.

Petition of proprietors of Union Meeting House in Monmouth that their doings may be made valid.

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Petition of Selectmen of Topsham for same,
Refd. to Comm. on Judiciary,
The foregoing were sent up for concurrence.

Petition of John A. Pratt for change of name,
Refd. to Comm. on Change of Names

Resolves relating to National Affairs being the special assignment for this hour were taken up. Mr Hathaway of Skowhegan by leave placed upon file certain amendments,
On motion of Mr. Cony of Augusta the Resolves were laid upon the table & Monday next assigned for their further consideration,

On motion of Mr. Ross of Kennebunk,

Adjourned,
Attest, Chas. A. Miller, Clerk,

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Monday, February 16, 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Stone of Jay.

The Journal of Saturday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Order relating to repeal of Chap 116 of laws of 1859 concurring reference of actions by administrator came from the Senate passed, passed in concurrence.

Report of Com. on Mer. Affairs & Insurance on petition of Wm Sowden of Bangor - reporting leave to withdraw.

Report of Com. on R. W. & Bridges reporting reference to the next Legislature with an order of notice on petition of Stephen Young & Co.

These reports came from the Senate accepted & were accepted in concurrence.

Report of Com. on State Lands & State Roads on petition of Samuel B. Gilmore reporting Resolve allowing the right to cut Spruce lumber on the State Land in township No. 6, R. 6, W. E. L. S. came from the Senate accepted & the Resolve passed to be engrossed; Report accepted in concurrence Resolve read once & tomorrow assigned.

Report of same Com. on petition of Wm D. Orr reporting Resolve in favor of William D. Orr.

Also on petition of Sarah M. Churchill

Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey certain lots of land to Sarah M. Churchill.
These reports came from the Senate accepted and the Resolves passed to be engrossed.
Reports accepted in concurrence, Resolves read once and Wednesday of next week assigned for a second reading.

Order relating to Celebrating the 23d of February inst. came from the Senate passed and was passed in concurrence.

Petition of John M. Commins for act allowing toll on logs.
Refer. to Com. on Interior Waters in con.

Report of Com. on Manufactures on petition of the Mayor and Alderman of Augusta reporting Bill an act authorizing the City of Augusta to exempt certain property from taxation. This report came from the Senate accepted & the bill passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence Bill read twice & tomorrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill an act to incorporate the Hancock Manufacturing Company.

Bill an act to amend an act to incorporate the Scarston Bagging Company approved February 8 A.D. 1853. and to increase the Capital Stock of said Company.
These bills having been three times read & reported by the Com. on Bills in the Third Reading were passed to be engrossed, sent up.

Mr. Chandler from the Committee on Education on order relating to Superintending School Committees reported Bill an act relating to the duties of Superintending School Committees.

Report accepted, Bill read three times and passed to be engrossed.

Mr. Hopkinson from the Com. on Judiciary reported leave to withdraw on petition of the Selectmen of Farmingdale

Report accepted, sent up for concurrence

Bill an act to change the Charter of the Union Fire Insurance Company of Bangor.

Bill an act to incorporate the Army Express Company

Ref. to the Com. on Judiciary.

Petition of P. T. Jones asks for repeal of law establishing Road Duties

Ref. to Special Com. on Judiciary.

Order relating to the final adjournment of the Legislature taken from the table on motion of Mr Cook of Dixfield and referred to Messrs Cook of Dixfield, Warren of Bangor, Berry of Augusta, McClellan of Portland, Copeland of Calais, Hopkinson of Ft. Fairfield & Skillings of Biddeford on the part of the House with such as the Senate may join,

Resolves relating to National Colors taken from the table and tomorrow at 11 o'clock assigned for their further consideration,

Bill an act to incorporate the Master, Wardens and members of Mt. Kines Lodge

Bill an act to amend an act entitled an Act to incorporate the Portland Mutual Loan and Savings Association,

These bills having been three times read and passed to be engrossed reported by the Com. on Engrossed Bills as truly & strictly Engrossed were passed to be enacted signed by the Speaker & sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Lyman of Wiachias

Ordered. That the farmers of this Legislation be constituted a committee to inquire into the propriety of abolishing the Board of Agriculture and report by bill or otherwise,

On motion of Mr. Hodgman of Warren,

Adjourned,

Attest, Charles A. Miller, Clerk,

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Tuesday, February 17, 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Hachaway of Skowhegan.

The Journal of yesterday was read approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Communication from Clerk of Courts of Kennebec County relative to amount paid Fish Wardens came from the Senate refd. to select Com. on Kennebec Fisheries. Refd. in concurrence.

Report of Com. on Mer. Affairs & Insurance on petition of David O'Brien Secretary and Agent of Thomaston Marine & Fire Insurance Company reporting bill an act extending the charter of the Thomaston Marine and Fire Insurance Company.

Report accepted, Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned

Resolve allowing the right to cut spruce lumber on the State Land in township No. 6 Range 6 W.E.L.S.

Bill an act authorizing the City of Augusta to exempt certain property from taxation

This Resolve having been twice read and the bill three times read, reported by the Com. on Bills in the Third Reading were passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act relating to the duties of Super-

intending School Committees, having been three times read & reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed & sent up for concurrence.

A communication was recd. from the Secy. of State transmitting semi-annual returns of the Banks in this State.

A communication was recd. from the Land Agent in answer to House order of 3d inst.

Bill an act in relation to unlocated grants of land, presented by leave by Mr. Blake of Bangor and under the rule lies over till tomorrow for its first reading

Mr. Hopkinson from the Com. on Judiciary on petition of Joseph W. (Granger) Sawyer reported leave to withdraw
Report accepted, sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Cony from the Com. on Banks & Banking on petition of Presidents and Directors of the Northern Bank reported Bill an act to reduce the capital stock of Northern Bank
Report accepted. Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for a third reading.

Petition of Orrin Rogers & als for repeal of act creating trial Justices
Refd. to Special Com. on Trial Justices.

Remonstrance of Moses G. Rollins & als against rechartering of Winslow Bridge
Refd. to Com. on R. Ways & Bridges.

Bill an act to amend an act incorporating the Forest Avenue Railroad Company.

Bill an act authorizing the City of Hallowell to exempt certain property from taxation.

Petition of J. J. Speed & ols for a Telegraph line.
Refd. to Com. on Mer. Affairs & Insurance.

Petition of Selectmen of Harrison for reimbursement.
Refd. to Com. on Claims.

Remonstrance of Sarah Eames against petition of John Kilgore
Refd. to Com. on Fisheries.

On motion of Mr. Blake of Bangor.
Ordered: That the Committee on Education inquire into the justice and expediency of the States making a grant of land to the Trustees of Richmond Academy, for the use and benefit of said Academy.

Order relating to amending Sec. 39 of chap. 49 of the R. S. relating to Foreign Fire Insurance Companies and their agents presented by Mr. Shaw of Portland, read & passed & sent up for concurrence.

The Speaker announced the Committee on the part of the House on order relating to the proper observance of Washington's Birthday as follows: Messrs Hayden of Bath, Lyman of Machias, Smith of Westbrook, Cooley of

Dexter, Hopkinson of Ft. Fairfield, Clay of Gardiner and Goodwin of Biddeford,

Resolves relating to National affairs being the special assignment of this hour were taken up and considered. On motion of Mr. Crosby of Dexter the amendment presented by Mr Hathaway of Skowhegan was ordered to be printed. On motion of Mr. Kingsbury of Portland the subject was laid upon the table and tomorrow at 11 o'clock assigned for its further consideration.

On motion of Mr. Parker of Gorham

Adjourned

Attest Charles A. Miller, Clerk,

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Wednesday February 18, 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Follet of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Bill an act to incorporate the Bethel Steam Mill Company.
Refd. to Com. on Manufactures

Petition of Selectmen & Treasurer of Bridgton that the doings of said town be made valid.
Refd. to Com. on Judiciary.

A communication was recd. from the Secretary of State transmitting for distribution an abstract of the semi-annual returns of the several Banks.
Refd. to Com. on Banks & Banking.
The foregoing were sent up for concurrence.

Communication from Clerks of Courts of Somerset & Sagadahoc Counties transmitting amount of money paid to fish wardens within said Counties. Refd. to Com. on Ren. Fisheries in concurrence.

Order relating to distribution of Adjutant General's Report for 1862 came from the Senate passed, passed in concurrence.

Mr. Crosby from the Com. on Judiciary on petition of sundry town & persons reported bill an act

to make valid the doings of cities towns and plantations in raising money and for other purposes. Report accepted. Rule, suspended Bill read three times & passed to be engrossed & sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Joseph Attienne and John Neptune,

Resolve in aid of Mills in South half of township No. 2 R. 2 W.E.L.S. in the County of Aroostook

Resolve in aid of building bridge at Mattawamkeag Forks. These resolves having been three times read were passed to be engrossed & sent up,

Bill an act extending the charter of the Thomaston Marine and Fire Insurance Company.

Resolve for the benefit of the town of Jackson,
This bill having been three times read and the Resolve twice read were passed to be engrossed in concurrence,

Bill an act to reduce the capital stock of the Northern Bank read a third time & on motion of Mr. Hayden of Bath laid upon the table,

Mr. Kingsbury from the Com. on Judiciary on Bill an act to confer certain powers on the City of Portland reporting the same ought to pass.

Mr. Abbott from the Com. on Agriculture on petition of various persons reported Bill an act to regulate the sale & weight of potatoes.

Bill an act in relation to unlocated grants of land. The foregoing reports were accepted Bills read twice & tomorrow assigned.

Mr. Stickney from the Com. on Interior Waters reported reference to the next Legislature on petition of John M. Comins. Also on petition of Otis Tibbets & als.

Mr Clay from the Com. on the Judiciary reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to conversion of lumber and timber.
Also same report on order relating to division fences. Also leave to withdraw on petition of Luther Reed & als.

Mr. Crosby from same Committee reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to the State assuming the bounty paid by towns to volunteers.

Mr. Kingsbury from same Com. reported reference to the next legislature with an order of notice on Bill an act to legalize the doings of the proprietors of the Baptist Meeting House in Waldoboro. The foregoing reports were accepted & sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hayden of Bath, the Clerk was charged with conveyed a message to the Senate proposing a convention of the Legislature in the Hall of Reps. tomorrow at 11 o'clock for the purpose of Electing a Land Agent.

Petition of Jacob Jeffery & als for authority to

construct a wharf at the Pool so called in Biddeford; Refd. to Com. on Judiciary,

Bill an act to amend an act to incorporate the City of Lewiston appd. March 15, 1861

Bill an act to set off a portion of land belonging to David Lunabee from Lisbon to Webster,

These bills having been three times read & passed to be engrossed, repaired 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,

Resolves relating to National Affairs being the special assignment of this hour were taken up & considered; the adoption of the amendment submitted by Mr. Smith of Westbrook being the question pending.

Mr Turner of Augusta moved & the House ordered that when this question be taken it be taken by Yeas & Nays.

Mr. Smith of Westbrook was addressing the House, when on motion of Mr. Kingsbury of Portland tomorrow at 11 o'clock was assigned for its further consideration and the House

Adjourned

Attest,

Charles A. Miller, Clerk.

Thursday February 19th 1863.

Met according to adjournment

Prayer by the Rev. Dr. Burgess of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Order relating to payment of debt of Penobscot County for a highway came from the Senate refd. to Penobscot Delegation and was refered in concurrence.

Order directing Com. on Jud. to inquire into expediency of providing by law for collection of annual interest came from the Senate passed. passed in concurrence.

A communication was recd. from the Clerk of Courts of Lincoln County in answer to Legislative order of the 11th inst.
Refd. to Com. on Ken. Fisheries in concurrence.

Report of Com. on Div. of Towns on petition of Luther Lewis & ols. reporting Bill an act to set off a part of the town of Alton and annex the same to the town of Oldtown.
Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice & tomorrow assd. for a third reading.

Petition of Selectmen of Harrison for reimbursement came back from the Senate refd. to the next Legislature. The House receded and concurred in the reference.

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Petition of J. J. Speed & als for telegraph line came back from the Senate refd. to the next Legislature. The House insisted on its former vote, sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Hayden of Bath the Clerk was charged with & conveyed a message to the Senate proposing the hour of 10½ instead of 11 o'clock for a Convention this day for the Election of Land Agent.

A message was subsequently recd. from the Senate signifying the Concurrence of the Senate in the House proposition.

The hour for the Convention having arrived the Senate came in and a Convention was formed.

In Convention

On motion of Mr. Elliott of Cumberland Messrs Elliott of Cumberland, Doe of York Crosby of Dexter, Morrill of Yarmouth, & Foster of Newry were appointed a committee to receive sort & count the votes for Land Agent.

Having attended to that duty the Chairman reported the

Whole number of votes	181
Necessary to a choice	76
Hiram Chapman had	118
James W. Moore "	30
Isaac R. Clark	2
B. W. Norris	1

The report was accepted and Hiram Chapman was declared duly elected Land Agent for the current political year.

The Convention was then dissolved and the House was called to order by the Speaker,

Bill an act to confer certain powers upon the City of Portland,

Bill an act in relation to unlocated grants of land.

Bill an act to reduce the capital stock of the Northern Bank,

These bills having been three times read reported by the Comm. Bills in the Third Reading were passed to be engrossed sent up for concurrence,

Mr Gunnison from the Comm. on Div. of Towns reported leave to withdraw on petition of Isaac Carleton sols.

Mr. Hopkinson from the Comm. on Judiciary on Bill an act relating to Land Certificates reported the same in a new draft.

Mr. Blake from same Com. on order relating to exempting Shakers & Quakers from military duty reported bill an act to amend Chap. Ten of the R. S. entitled the Militia,

These reports were accepted, Bills read twice & tomorrow appt. for a third reading,

Bill an act regulating the weight & sale of potatoes. Read a third time on motion of Mr. Chase of Turner laid upon the table

Mr. Kingsbury from the Com. on the Judiciary reported leave to withdraw on petition of T. B. Grant sols.

Mr. Crosby from same Committee reported ought not pass on Bill an act relating to marriage and its solemnization.

Also legislation inexpedient in order relating to limiting cities and towns in furnishing State Aid to families of volunteers.

Mr. Manson from Com. on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance reported leave to withdraw on petition of Darius Alden sols.

The foregoing reports were read & accepted & sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Blake of Bangor

Ordered That the Com. on Judiciary inquire what alterations if any are necessary to be made in the laws relating to the estates of diseased persons in order to secure the rights of creditors.

Petition of the Selectmen of Wiscon that the doings of said town be made valid

Refd. to Com. on Judiciary.

Petition of Joseph G. Torrey for amendment of liquor law of 1858

Petition of Eliza R. Wiley sols ladies of Rockland in aid of same.

Refd. to the Special Committee on Liquor Law.

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Resolves relating to National Affairs being the Special assignment of this hour were taken up and considered. Mr. Smith of Westbrook still addressing the House. On motion of Mr Crosby of Dexter tomorrow at 11 o'clock was assigned for the further consideration of the same and the House

Adjourned

Attest, Charles A. Miller, Clerk.

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Friday February 20, 1863

Met according to adjournment

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Bailey of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read & appd.

Papers from the Senate.

Order directing the Comm. on Frontier & Court Defences to inquire into the merits of Cannon Imposed Shot Proof Dome.

Order relating to the petition of G. Steward & ols. Passed in concurrence.

Report of Com. on Judiciary reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Selectmen of Orono.
Also legislation inexpedient on order relating to further restraints on Banks.
Also legislation inexpedient on order relating to foreign wives
Also same report on order relating to statute of limitations

Report of Com. on Div. of Towns reporting leave to withdraw on pet. of J. G. Mosher & ols.

Rept. of Com. on R. W. & Bridges reporting reference to the next Legislature on petition of Samuel Buckmann.

Report of Com. on State Lands & St. Roads reporting leave to withdraw on petition of D. W. Rogers, & ols.

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These reports came from the Senate accepted, & were accepted in concurrence.

Petition of Wm Cuthell sals of Calais for amendment to Liquor Law of 1858

Petition of S. S. Reynolds sals for same, Refd. to Com. Liquor Law.

Report of Indian Agents, Refd. to Com. on Indian Affairs
The foregoing were refd. in concurrence.

Bill an act to set off a part of the town of Alton & annex the same to Oldtown, came from the Senate amended as per sheet "A" & passed to be engrossed. Read a third time, amendment adopted and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of Com. on Mer affairs & Insurance on petition of Levi Bartlett sals reporting Bill an act to incorporate the Franklin Land, Mill & Water Company came from the Senate accepted & the bill passed to be Engrossed, Report accepted. Rules suspended Bill read three times & passed to be engrossed in concurrence

Report of same Com. on several petitions reporting bill an act to incorporate the Milford & Princeton Turnpike Company came from the Senate accepted & the bill passed to be Engrossed, Report accepted Bill read three & on motion of Mr Grant of Ellsworth tabled & Wednesday next assigned;

Report of Com on Banks & Banking on petition of Mercantile Bank reporting Bill an act to increase the capital stock of the Mercantile Bank at Bangor came from the Senate accepted & the bill passed to be engrossed Report accepted Bill read time to be assigned for a third reading.

Bill an act relating to Land Certificates read a third time passed to be engrossed sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act defining the salary & compensation of the Land Agent.

Bill an act authorizing the city of Augusta to exempt certain property from taxation

Bill an act additional to chap 8 of the R.S. relating to Co. Treasurers.

Bill an act & amend Chap. 79 of the R.S. relating to Co. Attorneys.

Bill an act extending the charter of the Thomaston Marine & Fire Ins. Company.

Bill an act to make valid the doings of certain towns, cities & plantations in raising money & for other purposes.

Bill an act to set off certain lands from Frankfort & annex the same to the town of Monroe.

Resolve allowing the rights to Cut Spruce Lumber

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on the State land in township No. 6 W.E.L.S.

Resolve for the benefits of the town of Jackson

Resolve in relation to collection of taxes in the County of Washington.

The foregoing bills having been three times read & the Resolves twice read each passed to be engrossed reported by the Common Engrossed. Bills as truly & strictly engrossed the bills were passed to be enacted Resolves passed finally each signed by the Speaker & sent to the Senate.

Resolve providing for the distribution of the acts relating to town boundaries, read twice, rules suspended & passed to be engrossed, sent up.

Mr Haskell from the Com. on Div. of Towns reported reference to the next Legislature on petition of Selectmen of Brighton.

Mr. Ayer from the Com. on Mil & Military affairs reported leave to withdraw on petition of Selectmen of Harmony.

Mr. Cinant from Same Com. reported leave to withdraw on petition of Edmund Hanson.

Mr. Cosey from Com. on State Lands and State Roads reported leave to withdraw on petition of John Ely & al.

Also legislation inexpedient on order authorizing Land Agent to sell lands in the town of Barnard.

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Mr Hopkinson from Com. on Ind. reported Case to withdraw on petition of Proprietors of the Union Meeting House in Monmouth.
Reports accepted, sent up.

Mr. Cony from Com. on State Lands & St. Roads on petition of J.W.A. Brewster, reported Resolve in favor of the heirs at law of Catharine T. Tuthill
Also on petition of Wm D. Parsons reported Resolve authorizing the conveyance of the States interests in certain lots of land originally sold to Wm Cummings.
Reports accepted Resolves read once and tomorrow assigned for second reading.

Mr Goodwin from Com. on Ind. on Bill an act to legalize the doings of the Bowdoinham Ridge Meeting House Society reported same ought to pass.

Mr. Crosby from same Com. on Bill an act to change the charter of the Union Fire Insurance Co. of Bangor reported the same ought to pass. Reports accepted, bill read twice & tomorrow asd.

Mr Hazeltine from Com. on Banks & Banking on order relating to taxing bank stock reported bill an act taxing bank capital owned out of the state & unknown. On motion of Mr. Crosby of Dexter the report & bill were laid on the table & ordered to be printed.

Bill an act to amend Chap. 10 of the R.S. entitled Militia, read a third time & on motion

of Mr. Crosby of Dyke said upon the table & Thursday next assigned for its consideration.

Mr. Manson from the Com. on Mun. Affairs and Insurance on petition of City Council of Bangor reported bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the City of Bangor. Report accepted bill read twice & laid upon the table.

Petition of Rev. D. P. Thompson sale for amendment to liquor law of 1858.

Petition of Reuben Rupner sale for same;

Petition of Leonard Leding sale for same;

Petition of Stewart Rupner sale for same;

Petition of S. L. Carleton sale for same;
Refd. to Com. on Liquor Law;

Remonstrance of Albert Kelley sale against incorporation of Bancroft Plantations
Refd. to Com. Inc. of Towns;

On motion of Mr. Clay of Gardiner;
Ordered, That the Com. on Judiciary report upon the expediency of so amending Sec. 1 of Chap. 127 of the Laws of 1862 as to authorize cities, towns & plantations to extend aid to the families of volunteers who have been killed in battle or by the casualties of war or discharged from service in consequence of such disabilities prior to the passage of said act.

On motion of Mr. Goodwin of Biddeford,
Ordered: That the Com. on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending Chap. 18 of the R.S. so as to exempt farms lying upon no highway or town way and which have no actual way of access or egress but by a private way over lands of other persons from taxation for the repair of highways & townways,

On motion of Mr. Trundy of Searsport,
Ordered: That the Adjutant General be directed to have one copy of the Adjt. Generals report bound for each member of the Legislature,

Petition of Selectmen of Vienna for reimbursement,
Refd. to Com. on Judiciary,

Resolves relating to National Affairs being the special assignment of this House were taken up & considered,
On motion of Mr. Manson of Bangor The House adjourned until 2 o'clock this afternoon,

Afternoon Session,

Report of Joint Select Com. on appropriate observance of Washington's Birthday came from the Senate accepted was accepted in concurrence,

Order directing printing of order of Exercises for the Celebration of Washington's birthday came

from the Senate passed; passed in concurrence.

Mr. Reed from Com. on Change of names on petition of various persons reported bill an act to change the names of certain persons.

Mr. Manson from Com. on Mer. Affairs and Insurance on petition of Wm. Singer sols reported bill an act to incorporate the Geyser Insurance Company.

Mr. Goodwin from Com. on Jud. on petition of James Drew sols reported bill an act relating to divorce.

The foregoing reports were accepted. Bills read twice & tomorrow assigned.

Mr. Goodwin from Com. on Judiciary reported ought not to pass on Bill an act explanatory of Chap. 46 of the R. S.

Order relating to the collection of taxes in the County of Cumberland, presented by Mr. Parker of Gorham & refd. to the Cumberland Co. Delegation.

Resolve providing for the establishment of Military Agencies came back from the Senate amended & passed to be engrossed. The House receded & concurred.

Mr. Stone from the Com. on Education on order relating to abolition of Supt. of Schools reported in detail. Laid on the table & ordered to be printed.

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Petition of Daniel H. Craig for an act to facilitate taking testimony by commissioners with bill accompanying.
Refd. to Com. on Judiciary.

Resolves relating to National Affairs were taken up & considered. Mr. Smith of Westbrook concluding his remarks upon same.

On motion of Mr. Chase of Turner.

Adjourned.
Attest
Charles A. Miller, Clerk.

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Saturday February 21. 1863

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Hachaway of Skowhegan

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved,

Papers from the Senate.

Report of Com. on State Lands & St. Roads reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Thomas Butler rals. also on Wm. C. Wilson rals also on B. Young rals.

Report of Com. on Division of Towns on petition of David Sprott reporting reference to the next legislature with an order of notice.
These reports are accepted in concurrence.

Report of Com. on R.W. & Bridges on bill an act additional to an act incorporating the Portland Railway Company reporting same ought to pass.

Report of Com. on Manufactures on petition of A. D. Brown reporting bill an act to incorporate the Portland Shovel Manufacturing Company.

Report of Com. on Mun. Affairs Insurance on order authorizing City of Hallowell to exempt certain property from taxation reporting bill an act authorizing the city of Hallowell to exempt certain property from taxation.

Also on Bill an act to amend an act incorporating Forest Avenue R.R. Company same ought to pass.

Report of Com. on Banks & Banking on petition of St. John Smith & als reporting bill an act allowing further time to pay in the additional capital of the International Bank.

Also on Bill an act additional to an act accepting the surrender of the charter of the Mariners Bank reporting the same ought to pass.

These reports came from the Senate accepted & the bills passed to be engrossed. Reports accepted in concurrence, bills read twice & Monday assigned for a third reading.

Report of Com. on State Lands & St. Roads on petition of Mary A. Hardison reporting Resolve in favor of Mary A. Hardison

Also on petition of Daniel Randall and D. A. Sewall reporting Resolve in favor of Daniel Randall & David A. Sewall

Reports accepted in concurrence Resolves read once & Wednesday next assigned for a third reading.

Resolve for the abatement of taxes on certain lands in township No. 1 Range 2.

Read once & Monday assigned.

Petition of Selectmen of Winn that the doings of said town be made valid

The House receded & concurred in

assurance of same to next legislation.

Petition of J. J. Speed & als came back from the Senate that branch insisting. The House receded & concurred.

On motion of Mr. Turner of Anguilla.
Ordered, That the use of this Hall be granted the State Temperance Convention on Wednesday Afternoon & evening next week.

On motion of Mr. Eaton of Prospect.
Ordered That Levi Trundy be excused from further attendance as a member of this House & that the Com. on Pay Roll make up his pay to the End of the Session.

On motion of Mr Lyman of Machias
Ordered That the Com. on Judiciary inquire into the propriety of amending Chap 44 of the Revised Statutes so as more clearly to define the law in relation to Hawkers & Pedlars.

On motion of Mr. Gunnison of Scarboro
Ordered That ten additional copies of the Adjt. Generals report be bound for distribution to the officers of this House.

On motion of Mr. Dudley of Presque Isle
Ordered That, the Senate concurring, the chairman of the Com. on Agriculture be requested to report to this body on or before the 25th inst. all and any plan or plans & proposals that may be in their possession in relation to a College for the benefit of Agriculture, Mechanic Arts, & Military tactics with such remarks in writing as he or

they may see fit to make in relation thereto.

Resolve authorizing the conveyance of the State interest in certain lots of land originally sold to William Cousins.

Resolve in favor of Teol Sockis

Resolve in favor of the heirs at Law of Catharine T. Tuthill.

Bill an act to change the charter of the Union Fire Insurance Co. of Bangor.

Bill an act to legalize the doings of the Bowdoinham Ridge Meeting House Society.

The foregoing Resolves having been twice read & the bills three times read each reported by the Com. on Bills in the Third Reading were passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to increase the capital stock of the Mercantile Bank, Bangor.

This bill having been three times read was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. Hodgman from the Knox County Delegation on petition of County Commissioners of Knox County reported bill an act to change the time for holding the August term of the County Commissioners Court in Knox County.

Mr. Abbott from the Com. on Agriculture on order relating to bounties on wolves & bears reported bill an act for the destruction of wolves & bears.

Mr. Crosby from Com. on Judiciary on Bill an Act to incorporate the Army Agency Co. reported the same in a new draft.

Mr. Cory from Com. on State Lands & State Roads on petition of Nathan S. Sufkin reported Resolve in favor of Nathan S. Sufkin
The foregoing reports were accepted Resolves read once & Monday assigned.

Mr. Burgess from Com. on Indian Affairs reported Resolve authorizing the Agent of the Passamaquoddy Indians to lay out a private way

Mr. Crosby from Com. on Judiciary on order relating to assessment of taxes reported Bill an act to repeal Chap 104 of the Laws of 1862 relating to assessment of taxes

Bill an act to amend Chap. 90 Sec 1 of the Laws of 1862
The foregoing reports were accepted Bills read twice Resolve read once & the same were laid upon the table.

Mr Hopkinson from Com. on Judiciary reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to assessment & collection of taxes.

Mr. Hackett from Com. on Div. of Towns reported Leave to withdraw on petition of Elijah Turner & als.

Mr. Buckman from the Com. on Fisheries reported reference to the next Legislature on

with an order of notice on petition of John Kilgore & als
Reports accepted, sent up for concurrence;

Petition of J. F. Starrett, & als for amendment of Liquor Law of 1858.
Refd. to Com. on Liquor Law,

Bill an act to incorporate the Franklin Land, Mill & water Company.

Resolve in favor of Joseph Attean and John Neptune

Resolve providing for the distribution of the act relating to town boundries.

Resolve in aid of building a bridge at Mattawamkeag Forks.

Resolve in aid of Mills in South half of township No. 2 R 3 W. C. L. S. in the county of Aroostook.
This bill having been three times read & the resolves twice read each passed to be engrossed & reported by the Com. on Engrossed Bills as truly & strictly engrossed the bill was passed to be enacted, resolves passed finally each signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Corry of Augusta,

Adjourned.
Attest, Charles A. Miller, Clerk,

Monday, February 23d 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Rowe of Augusta.

The Journal of Saturday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of Selectmen of Vienna for reimbursement came back from the Senate referred to the next Legislature. The House insisted upon its former vote.

Report of Com. on Military Pensions reporting leave to withdraw on pet. of Benoh Brown

Bill an act to amend an act to incorporate the Greenwood Cemetery Co. April 17. 1857 and giving further powers to said company.
Reports accepted. Bill read time and time assigned for a third reading.

Bill an act allowing further time to pay in the additional capital of the International Bank read a third time & passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Geiges Insurance Company read a third time & passed to be engrossed sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act relating to divorce taken up, on motion of Mr. Gunnison of Scarboro laid on the table.

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The hour of Eleven & one-half o'clock assigned for the Convention of the Legislature for the observance of Washington's birthday having arrived the Senate came in and a Convention was formed.

On motion of Mr. Morrow of Sagadahoc that Senator was charged with a message to the Governor & Council, Heads of Departments inviting them to attend & participate in the exercises of the day.

Whereupon His Excellency, Gov. Coburn attended by the Executive Council & accompanied by his Aids & the Heads of Departments came in. The Governor presided during the day.

The Augusta Citizens Band was in attendance.

Prayer by the Rev. J. H. Ingraham of Augusta.

The Governor addressed the Convention after which Washington's Farewell Address was read by the Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Addresses were made by Hon. Nelson Dingley Jr. Speaker of the House; Hon. J. J. Perry of the Council and Messrs Crosby of Dexter, Dudley of Presque Isle and Stone of Jay of the House.

The Gov. & suite then retired.

The purposes for which the Convention was formed having been accomplished the Senate withdrew and the Convention was dissolved.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Hinks of Bucksport.

Adjourned Chas. A. Miller, Clerk.

Tuesday February 24, 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. McKenzie of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Bill an act to incorporate the Maine Mills presented by leave by Mr. Farwell of Lewiston Rules suspended, read three times & passed to be engrossed, sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Portland & Forest Avenue R.R. Company. Appd. March 19 1860. This bill having been read three times enrolled by the Com. on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to change the names of certain persons having been three times read was passed to be engrossed, sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend an act to incorporate the City of Lewiston, refd. to Com. on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Holyoke of Brown.
Ordered That the Com. to whom was referred that part of the Gov's Address relative to allowing our soldiers to vote be requested to report by bill or otherwise at the earliest possible day.

Report of Com. on Banks & Banking which was presented on the 20th inst. by Mr Hazeltine

from said Com. ordered to be printed was taken up & accepted & the bill an act to provide for taxing bank stock was read twice & tomorrow assigned,

Petition of Wm White sols that all able bodied men between the ages of 18 & 45 be liable to military duty
Refd. to Com. on Militia Mil. Affairs,

Resolve relating to National Affairs taken from the table on motion of Mr. Hayden of Bath considered on motion of Mr. Kingsbury of Portland laid upon the table and tomorrow at 11 o'clock ass. for their further consideration,

Bill an act to change the time of holding terms of Sup. Jud. Court in the County of Cumberland,
Refd. to Com. on Judiciary,

Bill an act to repeal chap. 90 of laws of 1862
Refd. to Com. on Board of Agriculture,

Resolve for the abatement of taxes on certain lands in township No. 1 R. 2 which are twice taxed,

Resolve in favor of Daniel Randall and David A. Sewall,

Bill an act in addition to an act accepting the surrender of the Charter of the Marine's Bank at Wiscasset,

Bill an act additional to an act incorporating the Portland Union Railway Company.

Bill an act to incorporate the Portland Shovel Manufacturing Company.

Bill an act authorizing the City of Hallowell to exempt certain property from taxation.

The foregoing Resolves having been time read & the bills three times read, each reported by the Com. on Bills in the Third Reading were passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to amend Sec. 1 Chap 90 of the Laws of 1862.

Bill an act to change the time for holding the August term of the County Commissioners Court in Knox County.

These bills having been three times read & reported by the Com. on Bills in the Third Reading were passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Mary A. Hardison read a second time & on motion of Mr. Hopkinson of W. Fairfield laid upon the table.

Bill an act to reduce the capital stock of the Northern Bank, Hallowell.

Bill an act to set off a part of the town of Alton and annex the same to the town of Oldtown.

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Bill an act in relation to unlocated grants of land;

Bill an act allowing further time to pay in the additional capital of the International Bank;

Bill an act to increase the capital stock of the Mercantile Bank, Bangor;

Resolve providing for the establishment of military Agencies.

These bills having been three times read & the Resolves twice read each passed to be engrossed and repeated by the Common Engrossed Bill as truly & strictly engrossed the bills were passed to be enacted Resolves passed finally each signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate;

Bill an act to incorporate the Army Agency Company read a third time, and on motion of Mr. Clay of Gardiner laid upon the table and Friday at 11 o'clock assigned.

On motion of Mr. Swift of Brunswick.

Ordered, That the Com. in County Estimates inquire into the expediency of authorizing the Commissioners of the several Counties in this State to compel all delinquent towns & cities to pay — interest on all taxes remaining unpaid after ——— date,

Bill an act to extend the time for examining accounts of towns for aid furnished the families of volunteers presented by Mr Ranlet of Thomaston and refd. to Special Com. on Aid &c.

Bill an act to amend Chap 44 of the Revised Statutes in relation to Hawkers and Pedlars presented by Mr. Lyman of Machias and referred to the Com. on Judiciary

The foregoing were sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Cony of Augusta,

Adjourned

Attest, Charles H. Miller, Clerk

Wednesday, February 25. 1863.

Met according to adjournment,

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Rowe of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of Com. on Agriculture reporting legislation inexpedient on order relating to the destruction of Canada thistle,
Report accepted in concurrence,

Report of Com. on Judiciary on petition of Joseph McKeen & al. reporting bill an act to authorize the commissioners of the Sinking Fund of Kew & Portland Railroad to invest their moneys of said fund,
Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice & tomorrow assigned for a third reading,
Also on proposal of H. L. Davis. reporting Resolve authorizing the purchase of three Hundred copies of the Rev. Statutes,
Report accepted in concurrence. Resolve read once and Wednesday next assigned for a second reading.

A communication was recd. from the Supt. of Common Schools transmitting information required by act of the last legislature,
Rept. to Common Education in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Mary A. Hardison taken from the table on motion of Mr Hopkinson of Ft Fairfield and recommitted to Com. on St. Lands & St. Roads

Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the City of Bangor, taken from the table on motion of Mr. Manson of Bangor and recommitted

Bill an act to incorporate the Milford & Princeton Turnpike Company, read a third time amended, on motion of Mr Grant of Ellsworth, as per Sheet "A" and passed to be engrossed, sent to the Senate,

Bill an act to change the name of Sam Mehan presented by Mr Blake of Farmington and under the rule lies over till tomorrow for its first reading

Bill an act to amend an act to incorporate the Greenwood Cemetery Company Approved April 17th A.D. 1857 & giving further powers to said Company.

Resolve in favor of Wm. D. Orr

Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey Lots of land to Sarah M. Churchill

This bill having been three times read & the Resolves twice read were each passed to be engrossed in concurrence,

Bill an act for the destruction of wolves and Bears

Resolve in favor of Nathan S. Sufkin
This bill having been three times read & the Resolve twice read were each passed to be engrossed & sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Stickney from the Com. on Interior Waters on petition of Richard S. Porter reported Bill an act to prevent obstructions in Parkhan Stream. Report accepted Bill read twice & tomorrow assd.

Mr. Ellis from Com. on Div. of Towns reported leave to withdraw on petition of Albert Shopleigh ools
Report accepted, sent to the Senate.

Bill an act taxing bank Stock owned out of the State read a third time and reported by the Com. on Bills in the Third Reading and the question being upon passing the same to be engrossed. Mr. Gunnison of Scarboro moved the House ordered the Year & Nays.
The Hour of 11 o'clock having arrived this subject was laid upon the table and the House proceeded to the special assignment.
Resolves relating to National Affairs. Mr. Kingsbury of Portland addressed the House. On motion of Mr. Chase of Turner the subject was laid upon the table and tomorrow at 11 o'clock assd.

Bill an act to prevent the destruction of Salmon trout & other fish in certain Lakes, Rept. to Com. Fisheries.
On motion of Mr. Rigby of Newburg
Adjourned. Chas. A. Miller, Clerk.

Thursday February 26, 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Dr. Tappan of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Order relating to Banks.
Passed in concurrence.

Report of Com. on Judiciary on order relating to repeal of Chap 115 of Laws of 1859 reporting legislation inexpedient.
Also same report on order relative to amending Sec. 20 Chap 4 of the R. S.
Reports accepted in concurrence.

Claim of Frederick C. Chick for military services
Refd. to Com. on Claims.

Petition of J. G. Hamlen for act of incorporation
Refd. to Next Legislature.

Bill an act additional to an act relating to foreign insurance companies
Refd. to Com. on Mer. Affairs & Insurance.

Bill an act in addition to chap 86 of the R. S. relating to trustee disclosures.
Refd. to Com. on Judiciary
The foregoing were refd. in concurrence.

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On motion of Mr Robbins of Nowidgunck Ordered: That the Somerset Delegation inquire into the expediency of abolishing the office of Tith Warden in Somerset Co.

Mr. Gammon from the Com. on Aid to families of Volunteers on so much of the Governors Address as relates to this subject reported Bill an act in aid of the families of volunteers. Report accepted. Bill read twice and on motion of Mr. Crosby of Dexter laid upon the table and 350 copies of the same ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Report of Com. on Manufactures on petition of Messrs Parker & Peale reporting Bill an act to incorporate the Dedham Manufacturing Company. This report came from the Senate accepted & the bill passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence. Rules suspended. Bill read three times and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to change the name of Jane McCann taken up read twice & tomorrow assigned.

Mr. Clay from the Com. on Judiciary on bill An Act to amend an act incorporating the City of Lewiston reported the same ought to pass. Report accepted bill read twice and tomorrow assigned.

Report of Penobscot County Delegation on order relating to authorizing payment

of a claim out of the Treasury of so. County
On motion of Mr. Burgess of Oldtown the report & bill accompanying were recommitted to said Delegation

Petition of J. J. Temple & als for amendment of Liquor Law of 1868.

Petition of W. J. Robinson & als for same.

Petition of C. C. Folsom & als for same.

Petition of J. R. Sanborn & als for same.
Refd. to Com. on Liquor Law.

Resolves relating to National Affairs being the special assignment of this hour were taken up. Mr. Kingsley of Portland addressed the House after which the Resolves were laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. Farwell of Lewiston

Adjourned
Attest
Chas. A. Millon Clerk.

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Friday, February 27, 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Penney of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of Com. on Manufactures on petition of John H. Williams reporting leave to withdraw.
Accepted in concurrence.

Bill an act additional to & explanatory of Chap 69 of the R. S.
Refd. to Com. on Jud. in concurrence.

Petition of William Miller & als. sals. for amendment of Liquor Law of 1858. Placed on file in concurrence.

Bill an act to set off a part of the town of Alton and annex the same to Oldtown came from the Senate refd. to the next Legislature. The House insisted upon it former vote hoping the same to be enacted.

Bill an act to incorporate the Georges Insurance Company

Bill an act to incorporate the Maine Mills

Bill an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Portland & Forest Avenue R.R. Company.

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Bill an act relating to Land Certificates.

Bill an act to change the Charter of the Union Fire Insurance Company of Bangor.

Bill an act to incorporate the Hancock Manufacturing Company.

Bill an act additional to an act incorporating the Portland Union Railway Company.

Bill an act to incorporate the Fontaine Shovel Manufacturing Company.

Bill an act authorizing the City of Hallowell to exempt certain property from taxation.

Resolve for the abatement of taxes on certain lands in township No. 1 R. 2 which are taxed twice.

Resolve in favor of David Randall and David A. Sewall.

Resolve in favor of Wm. D. Orr.

Resolve in favor of Peol Sickis.

These bills having been three times read & the Resolves twice read each passed to be engrossed reported by the Common Engrossed Bills as truly & strictly engrossed the Bills were passed to be enacted Resolves passed finally each signed by the Speaker & sent to the Senate.

Bill an act to prevent obstructions in Pushaw

Stream,

Bill an act to change the name of Jane Mehan & for her adoption.

Bill an act to amend an act to incorporate the City of Lewiston.
These bills having been three times read reported by the Com. on Bills in the Third Reading were passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act authorizing the Commissioners of the Sinking fund of the Kenn & Portland R.R. to invest the moneys of said fund having been three times read reported by the Com. on Bills in Third reading was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. Parker from Com. on Agriculture reported legislation inexpedient on order relative to amending Chap 23 Sec 3 of R.S. relating to Stray beasts.

Mr. Cony from Com. on State Lands and State Roads reported reference to the next Legislature on petition of John B. Hayes.

Mr. Bradbury from Com. on Education reported leave to withdraw on petition of C.R. Sirois.

Mr. Kellar from Com. on Div. of Towns reported reference to the next Legislature with an order of notice on petition of John Pomeroy & ors.
The foregoing reports were accepted & sent up for concurrence.

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Mr Kingsbury from Com. on Jud. on Bill an act to change the time of holding the Law term of the Sup. Jud. Court for the County of Cumberland reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. Stone from Com. on Education on order relating to expenditure of school money in the French plantations reported bill an act to secure the proper expenditure of school money in the Mallawarka Townships.

Mr Crosby from the Com. on Jud. on order relating to the porous solutions of school agents reported bill an act to amend Chap. 11 of the R. S. entitled Education of Youth,

Mr. Burgess from Com. on Indian Affairs on report of Commissioners on Indian Affairs reported Resolves authorizing survey & Case of lots in townships owned by the Passaic aquaddy Indians in the County of Washington.

Mr. Cony from Com. on State Lands & St. Roads on petition of David Weston reported Resolve in favor of David Weston.

Also on petition of Ebenezer Jackman Resolve in favor of Ebenezer Jackman.

The foregoing reports were accepted Bills read twice, resolves read once & tomorrow assigned for the third reading of the Bills & Wednesday next for second reading of the Resolves.

Resolve authorizing the purchase of 300 copies of the Rev. Statutes read a second time and on motion of Mr. Hayden of Bath laid upon the table.

Bill an act taxing Bank Capital owned out of the State taken from the table amended as per sheets "A" & "B" on motion of Mr. Blake of Bangor and was passed to be engrossed by Year 100. Nays 15 as follows.

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs Abbott, D.F. Ayer, W.R. Ayer, Baker Bisbee J.L. Blake, S.H. Blake Bradbury Bragdon Bucknam, Burgess Butler S. Chase, Chorley Clark, Clay, Cleaveland, Clough, Conant, Copeland, Crosby, Crawford, Asher Davis, S.B. Davis, Donnell Drummond, Dudley, Duley Dyer, Eaton, Eddy, R.N. Ellis, S. Ellis, Evans, Farrell, Fox, I. Foster O. Foster Frye, Gilman Golden, Gunnison, Haley, Hammond, Hanson D.M. Harkell, (H.G.O. Hark) Hathaway, Hayden Hazeltine, Holson, Hodgman, Holyoke, Howard Hussey, Hurford Jellison, Jones, Kelsey Kent, Laughton, Lane, Lawrence, Learned Libby, Lothrop, Fred, Lowell, Mark, Lowell Lyman, Manson, McCausland, McIntire J.W. Moore, Joseph Moore, Palmer, J.L. Parker J.M. Parker, Porter, Ranlett, Reed, Rigby, Robbins Rogers, Scott, Shea, Skolfield, Sleeper, Small, Smith, Stacy, Stetson, Swift, Tarbox Thing Tucker, Turner, Wardwell, Warren, Watts Winslow & Worcester

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs Boothby, Cony, Goodwin, Grant, H.G.O. Harkell, Hopkinson Kingsbury, McLellan, McMaster, Miller, Peckham

Shaw, Stickney, Stone, & Talbot.

Mr Hackell from the Com. on Div. of Towns on petition of Isaac Carleton rats presented the report of a minority of said Committee.
On motion of Mr. Gunnison of Scarboro the report was laid upon the table and Tuesday of next week was assigned for the consideration of the subject matter.

Bill an act to amend chap. 4 sec. 21 of the R. S. relating to elections presented by Mr. Kingsbury of Portland which under the rule lies over until tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Gunnison of Scarboro,
Ordered That this House from & after this date hold two sessions per diem, the morning session to commence at 10 o'clock with the exception of Mondays which shall commence at 11 o'clock and the afternoon session at 2 o'clock & that no Bills or Resolves shall be acted upon at said afternoon session and this order shall apply during the debate upon the National Resolves.

On motion of Mr Kingsbury of Portland;
Ordered That the Com. on Claims examine the claims of Capt. Geo. W. Tukey against the State for military services.

Bill an act to amend chap. 94 R. S. relating to forcible Entry & detainer
Refd. to Com. on Judiciary
sent up for concurrence.

On motion of
Ordered, That Mr. Page of Berwick have the permission of this House to print such remarks as he may see fit to offer upon the Resolves relating to National Affairs now pending before this Legislature.

Bill an act to incorporate the Army Agency Company taken from the Table on motion of Mr. Clay of Gardiner & on motion of same gentleman it was just from & indefinitely.

On motion of Mr. Peckham of Beddington,

Adjourned
Attest,
Chas. A. Miller, Clerk,

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Saturday, February 28, 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Ingraham of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

A message was recd. from the Senate through its Secretary proposing a joint convention of the Legislature in the Hall of Representatives this day at 11 o'clock for the purpose of filling the vacancy existing in the 15th Senatorial District.

The Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate signifying the concurrence of the House in the Senate proposition.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of M. L. Stevens & 114 als of Portland for amendment of prohibitory Liquor Law of 1858.

Petition of George Hemenway & 63 als of Belfast for same.

Refd. to Com. Liquor Law in concurrence.

Report of Com. on Judiciary on order relative to sureties in cases of replevin reporting Bill an act relating to sureties in cases of replevin.

Also on petition of Geo. K. Jewett & als Bill an act authorizing George K. Jewett & als to extend wharves & piers into tide waters

of Penobscot River.

Also on petition of the County Commissioners & of Lincoln County for an alteration of the time of holding the County Commissioners Court repating Bill an act to alter the January term of the County Commissioners Court for the County of Lincoln.

Report of Com. on Manufactures on Bill an act to incorporate the Bethel Steam Mill Company repating the same ought to pass. These reports came from the Senate accepted & the bills passed to be engrossed. Reports accepted in concurrence. Bills read twice & Monday assigned for a third reading.

Report of Com. on Military Pensions on petition of Mary L. Owen.

Report accepted. Resolve read once & Wednesday next assigned.

The hour of 11 o'clock having arrived the Senate came in & a convention was formed.

In Convention.

On motion of Mr. Morrow of Sagadahoc.

Messrs Morrow of Sagadahoc, Elliott of Cumberland. Doe of York. Ellis of Northport Farbox of Robbinston. Ross of Kennebunk & Brothby of Parsonsfield were appointed a Committee to receive sort & count the votes for Senator.

Having attended to the duty assigned them, the Chairman reported

Whole number of votes		116
Necessary to a Choice		59
William Duren	has	90
John C Talbot	"	26

The report was accepted and the Hon. William Duren was declared duly Elected Senator to fill the vacancy existing in the 15th Senatorial District.

The purposes for which the convention was formed being accomplished the Senate withdrew & the Convention was dissolved.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Mr. Reed from Com. on Change of Names on petition of Trustees of Maine Wesleyan Seminary reported reference of same to Com. on Education.

Mr. Taylor from Com. on Education on petition of Trustees of Richmond Academy reported Cause to withdraw.

Mr. Hackett from Com. on Div. of Towns on petitions of Francis H. Whitman reported Cause to withdraw

Mr. Saw from same Com. reported Cause to withdraw on petition of George Bryant rolls.

Mr. Reed from Com. on Fisheries on petition of F. N. Mesenry rolls reported Cause to withdraw Also on pet. of Luther Hoar rolls.

Mr. Peckham from same Com. on petition of M. J. Talbot reported Cause to withdraw.

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Also same report on petition of Upham S. Treat
Also on petition presented by Mr. Lyman
Reports accepted sent up for concurrence.

Resolves authorizing the survey & lease of lots in Township owned by the Passamaquoddy Indians in the County of Washington.

Bill an act to secure the proper expenditure of School moneys in the Madawaska townships.

Bill an act to change the time of holding the law term of the Sup. Jud. Court in the County of Cumberland

Bill an act to amend chap. 11 of the R. S. entitled Education of Fruits
These bills having been three times read imported by the Com. on Bills in the Third Reading were passed to be Engrossed & sent up for concurrence.

Report of Com. on St. Lands & St. Roads on Resolve in favor of Mary A. Hardison reporting the same without amendment

Mr Shea from Com. on County Estimates having that subject under consideration reported Resolve laying a tax on the several Counties in this State

Bill an act to amend chap 4 Sec 21 of the R. S. relating to Elections. Reports accepted Bills read twice & Resolves read once and Monday next assigned.

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Bill an act for the distribution of certain shares
which came from the Senate, read first and
referred. On motion of Mr. Dolan of Mercy
the rules were suspended.

Bill an act to amend chap. 10 of Sect. 8
relating to the Militia which was read the third
and passed. On motion of Mr. Brown
of Hancock the publication of Engrossment be dispensed
by Hon Mayo. On motion of Mr. Young
of Augusta rules were suspended.

Resolve in favor of Bill an act
relating to State Insurance Company
referring the same with papers.

Resolve in favor of Bill an act
relating to Stock Insurance Companies

Monday March 2 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Bray of Augusta.

The Journal of Saturday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of Com. on Judiciary in Bill an act to amend Chap. 106 of Acts of 1862 relating to suits against volunteers reported the same in a new draft came from the Senate accepted & the Bill passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence Bill read twice and tomorrow asd. for a third reading.

Report of Com. on Education in order relating to Superintending School Committees came back from the Senate postponed indefinitely. The House insisted on its former vote.

A message was received from the Senate through its Secretary informing the House that in the absence of the President the Senate had made choice of the Hon. Noah Woods as President pro tem.

On motion of Mr Turner of Augusta

Ordered, That a Joint Special Committee of seven on the part of the House with such as the Senate may join be appointed to inquire into the expediency of advancing on account of the National Govt. such sums as have been or may be allotted by our soldiers for

the benefit of their families

Read & passed & Messrs Turner of Augusta Goodwin of Biddeford, Hazelline of Belfast Stetson of Bangor Grant of Ellsworth Hayden of Bath and Lambert of Phillips appointed said Committee,

On motion of Mr. Stetson of Bangor

Ordered, That the Comm. on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the expediency of making a further appropriation for the re-building of the bridge across the Mattawamkeag Stream,

Bill an act relating to sureties in cases of replevin,

Bill an act authorizing George K. Scott & sale to extend wharves & piers into tide waters in Penobscot River,

Bill an act to alter the January Term of the County Commissioners Court for Lincoln County,

Bill an act relating to Stock Insurance Companies,

Resolve in favor of Mary A. Hardison

Resolve in favor of Mary L. Owen,

These bills having been three times read & the resolves twice read each upsated by the Comm. on Bills in the Third Reading were passed to be engrossed in concurrence,

Bill an act to incorporate the Milford and Princeton Turnpike Company came back from the Senate further amended as per sheet "B". The House adopted amendments "B" & passed the bills to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to amend Chap. 4 of the Rev. Statutes relating to Elections.

Resolve laying a tax on the several counties in this State.

This bill having been three times read & the Resolve tried read each resolved by the Com. on Bills in the Third Reading were passed to be engrossed & sent up for concurrence.

Mr Lane from the Com. on Div. of Towns reported Cause to withdraw on petition of David W. Tucker vals.

Report accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act in addition to chap. 113 of the Rev. Statutes relating to poor debtors

Refd. to Com. on Judiciary.

Bill an act in addition to an act accepting the surrender of the Charter of the Mariners Bank at Wiscasset.

Bill an act to change the names of certain persons.

Bill an act to amend an act entitled an act to obtain certain statistics relating to neat stock sheep swine & agricultural products.

Bill an act to legalize the doings of the Brownsville Ridge Meeting House Society & to extend the time for collecting the assessment on said Society.

Resolves authorizing the Land Agent to convey certain lots of land to Sarah M. Churchill.

Resolve in favor of Nathan S. Sufkin.

These bills having been three times read & the resolves twice read each passed to be engrossed & reported by the Common Engrossed Bills as truly & strictly engrossed the bills were passed to be enacted, Resolves passed finally each signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr Randlet of Thomaston Adjourned till 2½ o'clock P.M.

Afternoon Session

Met according to adjournment

Resolves relating to National Affairs, taken from the table & considered. Mr. Bradbury of Springfield & Mr Hathaway of Skowhegan addressed the House.

On motion of Mr Hopkinson of Fort Fairfield the subject was laid upon the table and tomorrow at 2½ o'clock p.m. assigned.

On motion of Mr. Cleaveland of Madison Ordered, That the Hall of Representatives be tendered to the Rev. John Dudley of New Haven for the purpose of delivering a lecture on the wants & prospects of contrabands.

On motion of Mr. Parker of Gorham.
Ordered That the Common Pay Roll make up the pay including travel and attendance of William S. Green member of this House from Deer Isle.

On motion of Mr. Sutton of Bangor
Ordered That the Clerk of the House cause 500 copies of the Rules & orders of the House with the usual statistics to be printed & one copy of the same for each member to be bound and one copy for each member of the next legislature to be reserved for their use

On motion of Mr. Gunnison of Scarboro.
Adjourned
Attest Charles A. Miller, Clerk.

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Tuesday March 3, 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Dow of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of Comm. on Manufactures on petition of J. G. Young sols reporting Bill an act to incorporate Youngs Patent Boot Stretcher Company.

Report of Com. of Penobscot Delegation on Bill an act entitled an act in reference to the claims of Niles Wilson.

These reports came from the Senate accepted & the bills passed to be engrossed. Reports accepted in concurrence, Bills read twice & tomorrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill an act to amend chap. 10 of the R. S. relating to the Militia taken from the table on motion of Mr. Hayden of Bath postponed indefinitely.

Bill an act for the destruction of wolves and bears taken from the table. The House invited on its vote passing this bill to be engrossed proposed a conference and appointed Messrs. Abbot of Glenburn, Foster of Newry and Parker of Dexham conferees on the part of the House.

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Report of Com. on Div. of Towns on petition of Isaac Carleton & obs. being the special assignment of this hour was taken up & on motion of Mr. Harkell of Garland was laid upon the table.

Bill an act to amend Chap. 11 of the Revised Statutes entitled Education of Youth came from the Senate postponed indefinitely on motion of Mr. Crosby of Dexter laid upon the table.

Bill an act explanatory of Sec. 2 of chap 106 of the public laws of 1862 relating to suits against volunteers read a third time reported by the Com. on Bill in the Third reading & passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr Ellis from the Com. on Div. of Towns reported reference to the next Legislature with an order of notice on petition of Selectmen of Monroe & Brooks.
Report accepted & sent to the Senate.

Bill an act to set off a portion of the town of Albion and annex the same to the town of Benton
Refd. to Com. on Div. of Towns.

Bill an act relating to attachments of fuel belonging to Railroads Companies
Refd. to Com. on R. Ways & Bridges.

On motion of Mr Kingsbury of Portland
Ordered. That the Com. on Banks & Banking

inquire into the Expediency of amending Chap. 32 Sec 9 of the R.S. by inserting after the words "Christmas" the words "or the first day of January"

Bill an act in aid of the families of volunteers taken from the table on motion of Mr. Gunnison of Scarboro. Considered on motion of Mr. Kingsbury of Portland laid upon the table.

Mr. Kingsbury of Portland informed the House that Gen. Oliver O. Howard was at present in the Executive Chamber and moved a Committee of three be appointed to wait upon and invite him to visit this Hall. Messrs Kingsbury of Portland Blake of Bangor & Leary of Augusta were appointed said Committee.

On motion of Mr. Hayden of Bath the House took a recess of one half hour.

Thereupon the Committee attended by His Excellency, the Governor accompanying General Howard came in. The Gen. by invitation addressed the Legislature. Three Chiers were then given for General Howard & at his suggestion three more were given for the preservation of the Union and the Government. The members of the Legislature were then introduced to the General by the Speaker of the House.

The House was called to order.

On motion of Mr. Parker of Gorham the House reconsidered its vote passing the order excusing W. S. Green member from Dec. Sale & providing for his pay to the end of the session. The order was subsequently passed.

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Bill an act to authorize the commissioners of the sinking fund of Kennebec and Portland Railroad to invest the moneys of said fund;

Bill an act to incorporate the Greenwood Cemetery Company approved April 17 1859 and giving further powers to said Company;

Bill an act to change the time of holding the August term of the County Commissioners Court in Knox County;

Bill an act to incorporate the Dedham Manufacturing Company

Resolve in favor of the heirs at Law of Catharine T. Tuthill

Resolve authorizing the conveyance of the States interest in certain lots of land originally sold to William Cummings;

These bills having been three times read & the Resolves twice read each passed to be engrossed on motion by the Com. on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed the bills were passed to be enacted Resolves passed finally each signed by the Speaker & sent to the Senate,

On motion of Mr. Hodgman of Warren,

Ordered That Charles E. Ranlett Representative from Thomaston be excused from further attendance on this House after Wednesday 4th inst, and that the Com. on Pay Roll make up his pay to the end of the session.

Adjourned till 2 o'clock P.M.

Afternoon Session.

Met according to adjournment.

Resolves relating to National Affairs being the special assignment of this hour were taken up. No one desiring to address the House the Resolves were laid upon the Table.

On motion of Mr. Thing of Mt. Vernon,

Ordered, That Thursday next at 12 o'clock M. this House will proceed to vote upon the Resolves relating to National Affairs; first upon pending amendments then upon the Minority Resolves and no debate shall be in order after the House proceeds to vote

On motion of Mr. Simmons of Scituate,

Adjourned

Attest Charles A. Miller, Clerk.

Wednesday. March 4. 1863

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Morse of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Mr. Reed of Brookbay rose to a question of privilege & preferred certain charges against Alden Goudy Messenger of this House.
On motion of Mr. Hayden of Bath, Messrs Hayden of Bath, Chase of Turner, McFarlin of York, Ellis of Guilford & Hussey of Monticello were appointed a committee to investigate the charges

Papers from the Senate.

Report of Com. on Indian Affairs on petition of Sockabasin Swasson reporting reference to the next Legislature
Report accepted in concurrence.

Resolve laying a tax on the several counties in this State, came back from the Senate recommitted. The House concurred.

Bill an act relating to the duties of Superintending School Comms. came back from the Senate that branch insisting on its former vote. The House insisted, proposed a conference & appointed, Messrs Gunnison of Scarboro, Hodgman of Warren and Robbins of Norridgewock as conferees.

Bill an act to amend Chap. 4 Sec. 21 of the Rev. Statutes relating to elections came back from the Senate postponed indefinitely

The House insisted on its former vote passed a conference & appointed Messrs Kingsbury of Portland, Mendall of Yarmouth & Abbott of East Machias as conferees

Order in favor of David Weston.

Order in favor of Ebenezer Jackman.

Thereupon having been twice read & passed to be engrossed, sent up for concurrence,

Mr. Hodgman of Warren gave notice that tomorrow he should move a suspension of the 49th Rule of the Rules and Orders of this House for the remainder of the Session,

Bill an act relating to the sale weights of potatoes taken from the table on motion of Mr. Abbott of Glenburn, recommitted to Committee on Agriculture,

Mr. Blanchard from the Joint Select Committee on the Abolition of the Boards of Agriculture on order relating to abolition of said Boards reported legislation inexpedient,

Mr. Ridley from same Com. on Bill an act to repeal Chap 90 of Laws of 1862 reported ought not to pass,

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Mr. Stickney from Com. on Interior Waters reported finally.
Reports accepted, sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act in aid of the families of volunteers taken from the table & considered.
The bill was amended by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting the Senate bill No. 7. this amendment was further amended as per sheets "A" "B" "C" "D" "E" "F" "G" "H" "I" & "J" & as amended was proposed to be engrossed & sent to the Senate.

Mr. Abbott from the Com. on Agriculture on memorial of Agricultural Society of the Androscoggin County reported Resolve making a conditional grant to the Maine State Seminary. Report accepted, Resolve read once & on motion of Mr. Lothrop of Leeds the Report & Resolve were laid upon the table & ordered to be printed.

Mr. Hammond of Paris laid upon the table by leave the statement of a minority of the Committee on Scientific Survey of the State & on motion of Mr. Crosby of Dexter the same was ordered to be printed.

Bill an act relating to divorce taken from the table on motion of Mr. Smith of Westbrook several amendments were proposed when on motion of Mr. Hayden of Bath the same was recommitted & sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of the heirs of Rangely & Rangely Sta.

Resolve in favor of R. T. Watson
These resolves were twice read the rules being suspended & hoped to be engrossed, sent to the Senate;

On motion of Mr. Gunnison of Scarboro,
Ordered, That the use of this Hall be granted to Prof. Chadbourne of Bowdoin College on Thursday Eve. March 12 for the purpose of delivering a lecture on Greenland;

Bill an act to amend an act to incorporate the City of Lewiston.

Bill an act authorizing George K. Jewett & sols to extend wharves & piers into tide water of the Penobscot River.

Bill an act relating to Stock Insurance Companies.

Bill an act relating to Sureties in case of replevin.

Bill an act to change the time of holding the Law term of the Sup. Jud. Court in the County of Cumberland.

Bill an act to prevent obstructions in Pachaw Stream.

Bill an act to incorporate the Milford and Princeton Turnpike Company.

Bill an act to alter the January time of the County Comm.rs Court for Lincoln County.

Bill an act to change the name of Jane

Mehan & for her adoption,

Resolve in favor of Mary A. Hardison,

Resolve in favor of Mary L. Owen.

These Bills having been three times read & the Resolves twice read each passed to be engrossed & reported by the Com. on Engrossed Bills as truly & strictly engrossed the Bills were passed to be enacted. Resolves passed finally each signed by the Speaker & sent to the Senate.

Adjourned till 2½ o'clock P.M.

Afternoon Session.

Resolves relating to National Affairs being the special assignment of this hour were taken up. Mr Smith of Westbrook addressed the House

On motion of Mr. Kingsbury of Portland

Adjourned

Attest Charles A. Miller, Clerk.

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Thursday March 5. 1863.

Met according to adjournment;

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Waterman of Hallowell;

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Order directing Com. on Judiciary to inquire into expediency of amending the tax act
Passed in concurrence.

Report of Com. on State Lands & State Roads reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Harrison Knowles.
Report accepted in concurrence;

Report of Com. on Indian Affairs on Report of Agent of Papamaquoddy Indians reporting Resolve in favor of the Papamaquoddy Indians ...
Also on Report of Agent of Penobscot tribe reporting Resolve in favor of Penobscot Indians

Report of Com. on Frontier & Coast Defences on order of inquiry reporting Resolve relating to Currier Improved Shit proof Dome and Cupola. Reports accepted, Resolves read once & tomorrow ass. for second reading,

On motion of Mr Crosby of Dexter,
Ordered That the Com. on Judiciary inquire whether the provisions of sec. 45 of chap. 126 of the R. S. relating to the collection of taxes

requiring a non-resident to bring into court the amount of the taxes interest & charges before he can make any defence against the tax deed, should not be extended to residents also

On motion of Mr Hedgman of Warren
Ordered, That Rule 47 of the Rules & Orders of this House be suspended for the remainder of this Session,

On motion of Mr. Trendy of Seaspark
Ordered That the use of this Hall be granted to S. M. Hewlett of Boston on Tuesday evening of next week for the delivery of a lecture on Room and Rebellion.

On motion of Mr. Crosby of Dutch
Ordered, That Theodore Brogdon Rep. from Franklin be excused from further attendance & the Com. on Pay Roll make up his pay to the End of the Session,

On motion of Mr. Hammond of Paris
Ordered, That J. M. Dechon Rep from Canton be excused from further attendance & the Com. on Pay Roll make up his pay to the end of the Session,

On motion of Mr. Smith of Westbrook
Ordered That the Com. on the Judiciary inquire what amendments are expedient in existing laws organizing & defining the powers of the Sup. Jud. Court including also the expediency of establishing a court of inferior jurisdiction

On motion of Mr. Kingsbury of Portland
Ordered That the use of this Hall be granted to Rev. John Dudley Friday ev 6th inst to deliver a lecture on the condition of the freedman.

Mr. Cony from the Com. on State Lands and State Roads on order relating to bridge over Mattawamkeag Stream reported Resolve for additional aid in building a bridge at Mattawamkeag Forks

Mr Parker from Cumberland Co. Delegation on order relating to collection of taxes, reported Bill an act to secure a more prompt payment of County taxes in the County of Cumberland,

Mr. Skolfield from Com. on Education on petition of Trustees of Westbrook Seminary reported Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate Westbrook Seminary
Reports accepted Resolves read once Bills read twice & tomorrow assigned.

Bill an act in relation to elections in cities,

Bill an act to amend chap. 46 of the R.S.
Refd. to Com. on Judiciary,

Mr Manson from Com. on Elections on the credentials of members presented the report of said Committee which was accepted,

Bill an act to change the time of holding the May term of the Sup. Jud. Court in Knox County presented by Mr. Hodgman of Warren, rules

suspended, read three times & passed to be engrossed sent to the Senate,

Report of Com. on County Estimates came back from the Senate recommitted, The House insisted upon its vote accepting the report;

Mr. Crosby from the Com. on Judiciary reported legislation inexpedient in petition of selectmen of Brighton & Sedgwick,
Report accepted sent up,

Mr Kingsbury from the Joint Select Com. to whom was referred so much of the Governors Address as relates to Soldiers voting reported Resolves providing for an amendment to the Constitution relating to the elective franchise
Report accepted Resolve read time & on motion of Mr. Clay of Gardiner laid upon the table & ordered to be printed,

Bill an act to amend Chap 11 of the R.S. entitled Education of Youth, The House recommended its vote passing this bill to be engrossed, amended the same as per sheet "A" & passed the bill to be engrossed,

Resolve authorizing the purchase of 300 copies of the Revised Statutes taken from the table & on motion of Mr. Lyman of Machias post-poned indefinitely

Resolves relating to National Affairs, being the special assignment of this hour were taken up, Mr Smith of Westbrook with=drew the amendment offered by himself

when the same was presented anew by Mr. Hayden of Bath. Upon the adoption of this amendment Mr. Clay of Gardiner moved and the House ordered the Yeas and Nays & being so taken the amendment was rejected by Yeas, none. Nays 133 as follows

Those voting in the negative were Messrs. Abbott, D.F. Ayer, W.R. Ayer, Baker Beard, Bibbe, J.H. Blake Bradbury Bradford Brogdon, Buckman Burgess Butler J. Chase, S. Chase, Chesley Clark Clay Cleaveland Coffin Cony Copeland Crosby Crotoford S.B. Davis Dishon Dingley Dolbier Donnell Drummond Dudley Dyer Eaton Eddy Eldred R.W. Ellis, S. Ellis, Evans Farrell Fernald Foss C. Foster I. Foster O. Foster Frye Gilman Golden Goodwin, Grant, Gunnison, Haley Hammond, Hanson, D.M. Harkell H.G. O. Harkell Hathaway Hayden Hinks Hodgman Hobson Holyoke Hopkinson Howard Hoxie Hussey Hurford; Jellison Jones Kellar Kent Kingsbury Lambert, Laughton Law Lawrence Learned Libby Lochrop Low F. Loud Mark Lewis Mere Lowell, Lyman, Manson McCausland, McMillan McLellan, McMaster Merrill Miller J.M. Moore Joseph Moore Palmer J.L. Parker J.M. Parker C.C. Perkins, Daniel Perkins Porter Reed Rigby Robbins Robinson Rogers Ross Rowe Scott Shaw Shea Sirois Skolfield Sleeper Small Smith Stacy Stetson Stickney Stone Stone Swift Talbot, Tarbox, Thing, Trundy Tucker Turner Vickery Wardwell, Warren, Watts Welt Williams Winslow & Worcester.

My Lyman of Machias then withdrew the amendment presented by himself & the question then recurred upon the adoption of the amendment presented by Mr. Hathaway

of Skerrhegan. This amendment was adopted. The question then received upon passing the Rewlers to be engrossed as amended & Mr. Smith of Wirtbrook moved & the House ordered the Yeas & Nays & being so taken the Rewlers were passed to be engrossed by Yeas 98 Nays 32 as follows;

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs. Abbott, D. F. Ayer, Baker Bearce, Biber, Bradbury Brogden, Bucknam Burgess Butler S. Chase Cherley Clark Clay Cleaveland Cony Copeland Cowly Crawford S B Davis, Dingley, Donnell Drummond Dudley, Dyer, Eaton Eddy R W Ellis S Ellis, Evans, Farrell Fox C Foster I Foster O. Foster Gilman, Grant, Haley Hammond Hanson D. McHackell, Hathaway Hayden Hinks Hobson Hodgman Holyoke Hopkinson Hoxie Hussey Hussford, Kent Kingsbury Lambert Laughton Lane Lawrence Learned Lothrop Low Mark Lowell Moses Lowell Lyman Manson McCausland McLellan, Morrill, Miller, J W C Moore Joseph Moore J. L. Parker J W Parker D Perkins Porter Rigby Robbins, Robinson, Rogers Ross Rowe Scott Shaw Shea Stacy Stetson Stone Swift Taylor Thing Trundy Tucker Turner Vickery Wardwell Warren Watts & Worcester,

Those voting in the negative were Messrs. N. R. Ayer S H Blake Brown J Chase Coffin Dorhon Dollier Eldred Fernald Goodwin Gunnison, H G O Harkell Howard Jellison Jones Kellar, F. Lowell McIntire McMaster Palmer C C Perkins Reed, Skolfield, Sleeper Small Smith Stickney Stowe Talbot Welt Williams & Winslow

Bill an act explanatory of sec. 2 of chap 106 of the public acts of 1862 relating to suits

against volunteers, having been three times read and passed to be engrossed, repeated by the Common 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 Eldred of Belgrade,

Adjourned

Attest

Charles A. Miller, Clerk.

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Friday March 6, 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Fuller of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of Com. on Mer. Affairs & Insurance reporting leave to withdraw on petition of John H. Adams & als.

Report of Com. on Div. of Counties reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Wm. Young & als.

Report of Com. on Manufactures reporting leave to withdraw on pet. of York Manufacturing Co.
Reports accepted in concurrence.

Report of School Committee of Oldtown on Indian School for 1862.
Refd. to Com. on Indian Affairs in concurrence.

Petition of E. E. Bourne & als. for change in time of holding May term of S. J. C. for York County.
Refd. to Com. Judy. in concurrence.

Report of Com. on Indian Affairs on order relating to Belmore & Young reporting Resolve reporting a Resolve in favor of Belmore & Young. Also on report of Indian Commissioners reporting Resolve for the preservation of the title of the Penobscot Indians to certain islands in the Penobscot River.

These reports came from the Senate accepted & the Resolves passed to be engrossed. Reports accepted in concurrence. Resolves read once & tomorrow assigned.

Mr. Abbott from the Com. of Conference on the disagreeing vote of the two houses on bill an act for the destruction of wolves & bears reported the bill with an amendment, which was adopted & the bill passed to be engrossed.

Mr. Stone from the Com. on Education on pet. of Trustees of Maine Wesleyan Seminary reported bill an act to change the corporate name of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary

Mr. Lyman from the Joint Select Com. on Trial Justices on sundry petitions reported bill an act relating to Trial Justices Justices of the Peace & Justices of the Peace & Quorum

Mr. Bradbury from Com. on Education on the memorial of John A. Poor sale, reported Resolve for procuring copies of original documents in the British State Paper Office not heretofore published in regard to the early history of Maine.

The foregoing reports were accepted. Bills read twice Resolves read once and tomorrow assigned.

Bill an act to secure the proper expenditure of school moneys in Madawaska township

Bill an act to amend an act to incorporate

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the Scuiston Bagging Company Appd. Feby 5 1853 and to increase the capital stock of said Company

Bill an act to amend Chap. 4 of the R. Statutes relating to Elections.
These bills having been three times read & passed to be engrossed reported by the Com. on Engrossed Bills as truly & strictly engrossed were passed to be enacted signed by the Speaker & sent to the Senate.

Mr Parker from Com. on Div. of Counties reported finally
Report accepted, sent up

Mr Abbott from Com. on Agriculture on order relating to taxing dogs reported. Bill an act concerning the keeping of dogs & protection of sheep, Report accepted, Bill said upon the table & ordered to be printed,

Bill an act to secure a more prompt payment of county taxes in the County of Cumberland read a third time & on motion of Mr Hayden of Bath referred to the Committee on Judiciary, sent up,

Resolve in favor of Passamaquoddy Indians amended as per Sheet "H"

Resolve for additional aid in building a bridge at Mattawamkeag Fork

Resolve in favor of Passamaquoddy Indians for educational purposes

Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the Westbrook Seminary

Bill an act to amend an act entitled an act in aid of families of volunteers approved Mch 18, 1862 amended as per sheet "A"

Bill an act fixing the standard weight & sale of potatoes

These resolves having been twice read & the bills three times read were passed to be engrossed & sent to the Senate

Resolve in favor of the Penobscot Indians

Resolve relating to Curtis Improved Shot-proof Dome or Cupola were twice read & passed to be engrossed in concurrence

Resolve in favor of Hampden Academy

Resolve in favor of the heirs of Abbott,

Resolve in favor of the Bangor Theological Seminary

The foregoing resolves were presented by leave & under the rule lie over till tomorrow.

On motion

Ordered That John Chase Rep, from Limington and Joseph T Grant Rep from Ellsworth on & after Tuesday be excused from further attendance & the Common Pay Roll make up their pay to the end of the session

On motion of Mr Lambert of Phillips
Ordered That the Com. on Jud. inquire into the expediency of reducing the number of Tailors of the S. S. Court to seven.

On motion of Mr. Hayden of Bath
Ordered, That the Com. on Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending Chap. 177 of the public laws relating to Nuisances.

On motion of Mr. Brazdon of Franklin
Ordered; That the Com. on the Jud. inquire whether the law in regard to right of collectors of taxes to seize & sell property (exempted from attachment or sale upon execution) requires amendment.

On motion of Mr Parker of Dedham.

Adjourned.

Attest,
Charles A. Mellon, Clerk.

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Saturday March 7. 1863.

Met according to adjournment,

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Crane of Hallowell,

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate,

Order relating to Waterville Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

Order relating to Regulty of Deeds,

Order relating to Estates sold for nonpayment of taxes

Passed in concurrence.

Report of Com. on Mer. Affairs & Insurance on bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the City of Bangor, repeating the same wright to pass

Report of Com. on Military Pensions on petition of S. G. Bowers repeating Resolve in favor of Spencer G. Bowers

These reports came from the Senate accepted & the Bill & Resolve passed to be engrossed. Reports accepted in concurrence Bill read time, Resolve read once & Monday assigned.

On motion of Mr. Taylor of Robbinston

Ordered That Summer Evans be excused from further attendance & the Com. on Pay Roll make up his pay to the end of the session.

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Bill an act to confer certain powers upon the City of Portland. The House on motion of Mr. Kingsbury of Portland reconsidered its vote passing this bill to be engrossed, amended the same as per sheets A & B & passed to be engrossed, sent up,

Mr Hammond from the Com. on Education on petition of William Jordan vote, expected leave to withdraw

Report accepted, sent up,

Resolve in favor of the town of Abbott taken from the table, read once & monday assigned,

Bill an act to repeal chap 109 of private acts of 1861

Refd. to Com. St. Lands & St. Roads,

Bill an act to amend chap 71 Sec 17 of the R.S. relating to sales of real estate,

Refd. to Com. on Judiciary,

Resolve for the preservation of the title of the Penobscot Indians to certain Islands in Penobscot River read twice & passed to be engrossed in concurrence,

Bill an act to change the name of the Corporate name of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary,

Resolve for the repair of the State Road in Medium township. rules suspended,

This bill having been three times, & the Resolve twice read were passed to be engrossed & sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to regulate the sale & weight of potatoes. On motion of Mr Foster of Newry the House reconsidered its sole passing this bill to be engrossed & on motion of Mr. Hayden of Bath the same was recommitted.

Resolve for procuring copies of original documents in the British State Paper office not heretofore published in regard to the early history of Maine, read a second time & on motion of Mr Hayden of Bath laid upon the table.

Bill an act to repeal Chap 104 of the laws of 1862 relating to abatement of taxes taken from the table & on motion of Mr Foster of Newry recommitted.

Resolve repealing a Resolve in favor of Belmont & Young read a second time & postponed indefinitely in concurrence.

Bill an act relating to Trial Justices, Justices of the Peace & Justices of the Peace & Quorum read a third time & on motion of Mr Crosby of Dublin laid upon the table & Tuesday next assigned.

Bill an act to prevent the destruction of Salmon Trout & other fish in certain Lakes in Franklin Co. presented by

Mr Lambert of Phillips rendered the rule lies over till Monday.

Resolve in favor of the town of Rangely and Rangely Plantation.

Resolve relating to Cunnies Shot proof Dome or Cupola

Resolve in favor of David Weston.

Resolve in favor of R. T. Watson

Resolve in favor of Penobscot Indians

These Resolves having been twice read and passed to be engrossed reported by the Com. on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed were passed finally signed by the Speaker & sent to the Senate

On motion of Mr. Turner of Augusta.

Adjourned.

Attest,
Charles A. Miller, Clerk.

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Monday March 9th 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Stone of Jay.

The Journal of Saturday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Bill an act additional to chap 80 of the R. S. relating to appraisements,
Refd. to Com. on Judiciary in concurrence.

Report of Com. on Judiciary on order relating to bowling alleys & billiard saloons reporting bill an act to amend Chap 29 of the R. S. relating to bowling alleys & billiard saloons also Chap 32 of the laws of 1862 relating to same,

Bill an act to make valid the doings of the town of Paris;
The foregoing report was accepted, Bill each read twice & tomorrow assigned;

Resolve in favor of the Pajamaquiddy Indians
Senate amendment adopted.

Bill an act to amend an act in aid of the families of volunteers Appd. March 15, 1862,
Senate amendment adopted.
The foregoing were each passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Kingsbury of Portland,
Ordered, That William T. Hopkinson of

Fort Fairfield be excused from further attendance this Session and the Com. on Pay Roll make up his pay to the end of the Session,

On motion of Mr. Kingsbury of Portland Ordered, The Senate concurring, that on & after Thursday the 12th inst. all propositions for new legislation shall be referred to the next Legislature,

Resolve for procuring copies of original documents in the British State Paper office not heretofore published in regard to the early history of Maine, taken from the table on motion of Mr. Hayden of Bath and postponed indefinitely

Bill an act in reference to the claim of Miles Wilson upon the County of Penobscot,

Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the City of Bangor

Resolve in favor of Spencer G. Bowers
These bills having been three times read & the Resolve twice read each referred to the Common Bills in the Third Reading were passed to be engrossed in concurrence

Resolve in favor of the town of Abbott read a second time & passed to be engrossed sent up for concurrence,

Resolve in favor of Hamlin Dickey,

Resolve making a conditional grant to the town of Tremont

These Resolves lie over till tomorrow for a first reading.

Bill an act for the destruction of wolves and bears.

Resolve in favor of Ebenezer Jackman

Resolve for the preservation of the title of the Penobscot Indians to certain islands in the Penobscot River.

This bill having been three times read and the Resolves twice read each passed to be engrossed & reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly & strictly engrossed the bill was passed to be enacted Resolves passed finally each signed by the Speaker sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Corry of Augusta.

Adjourned

Attest

Charles A. Miller, Clerk.

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Tuesday March 10, 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Sargent of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of Com. on Div. of Towns on petition of Andrew H. Cauly reporting bill an act to set off a portion of the town of Albion and annex the same to the town of Benton

Report of Joint Select Com. on report of the State Liquor Commissioner reporting bill an act additional to chap. 130 of the Laws of 1862 entitled an act to regulate the agencies for & to prevent imposition in the sale of intoxicating liquors. These reports came from the Senate accepted & the bills passed to be engrossed reports accepted in concurrence bills read twice & tomorrow asd. for the third reading of the former. In motion of Mr Parker of Gorham the latter was laid upon the table & ordered to be printed.

Resolves providing for amendments to the Constitution in relation to the Election of Governor and Senators.

Refd. to Com. on Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill an act incorporating the Robinson Manufacturing Company.

Refd. to Com. on Manufactures in concurrence.

Resolves authorizing survey & lease of lots in township owned by the Papamaquoddy Indians in the County of Washington came back from the Senate vote reconsidered passing the same finally & to be engrossed & the same was amended as per sheet B & passed to be engrossed. The House receded, concurred with the Senate & passed the Resolve to be Engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to amend Chap. 29 of the R.S. relating to bowling alleys & billiard saloons

Bill an act to make valid the doings of the town of Peru having been three times read were passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to prevent the destruction of Salmon trout & other fish in certain Lakes in Franklin County

Resolve in favor of Hamlin Dickey
Bill read three Resolve read once and tomorrow assigned.

Bill an act to amend Chap 257 of Resolves of 1855 relative to printing pub. documents presented by Mr. Lyman of Machias and under rule lies over till tomorrow for its first reading.

Bill an act to amend the Charter of the City of Augusta presented by leave by Mr Turner of Augusta read three times on motion of Mr. Hayden of Bath laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. Stone of Say
Ordered That the use of this Hall be granted to the Com. on Education to hold a public meeting on the subject of Normal Schools on Wednesday Eve. 11th inst.

Bill an act relating to Trial Justice Justices of the Peace & Justices of the Peace and Quorum being the special assignment of this day was taken up & considered. Mr. Rigby of Newbury moved the indefinite postponement of the bill. Mr Lyman of Machias moved & the House ordered this question to be taken by Yeas & Nays & being so taken the bill was postponed indefinitely by Yeas 53 Nays 51 as follows

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs Bearce, Butler I Chase Chorley Conant Copeland Cony Crosby Crawford S B Davis Eaton Fox C Foster O Foster Frye Gilman Goodwin Grant Hammond Hanson Hathaway Hayden, Hinks, Hodgman, Huxford, Kent Kingsbury, Law Lawrence Moses Lowell Manson, McCausland McIntire McLellan Merrill J W C Moore Daniel Perkins Rigby Robbins Robinson Rogers Shea Skolfield Sleeper Smith Stacy Stetson Swift Trundy Tucker Vickery Warren & Worcester.

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs D.T. Ayer W.K. Ayer, J L Blake Brown Buckman, Clark Clay Cleaveland Coffin A. Davis Dolbier Donnell Dudley Dyer Eddy Eldred P. Ellis Fernald Haley H.G. O. Hackett, S T Hodsock Holyoke Howard, Kellar, Lambert Laughton, F Lowell Lyman McMaster Miller. Palmer J W Parker Pecham C.C. Perkins Porter, Reed, Scott, Shaw, Sirois

Small Stickney Stone Stone Talbot Thing Tucker Wardwell Watts Welt & Winslow
The bill was sent to the Senate.

Bill an act for changing the time for holding the May term of the Sup. Jud. Court in Knox County.

Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate Westbrook Seminary.

Bill an act to amend an act in aid of the families of volunteers Appd. Mch. 18, 1862

Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the City of Bangor.

Bill an act in reference to the claim of Miles Wilson in the Co. of Penobscot.

Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians

Resolve in favor of Spencer G. Bowers

Resolve in favor of Passamaquoddy Indians for Educational purposes.
These bills having been three times read & the Resolves twice read each passed to be engrossed & reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly & strictly engrossed the Bills were passed to be enacted Resolves passed finally each signed by the Speaker & sent to the Senate

On motion of Mr Eaton of Prospect
Adjourned
Attest Chas. A. Miller, Clerk.

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Wednesday March 11, 1863.

Met according to adjournment

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Waterman of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Order relating to demurrers.
Passed in concurrence.

A communication was recd. from the Hon. Hiram Chapman signifying his acceptance of the office of Land Agent.

Report of Com. on Interior Waters on petition of John M. Comins came from the Senate recommitted. On motion of Mr. Stickney of Perry the same was laid upon the table.

Bill an act in aid of the families of volunteers came back from the Senate that branch nonconcurring in House amendments.
The House insists upon its former vote propose a Conference & appoints Mess Crosby of Dexter, Tyman of Machias and Gunnison of Scarboro Conferees on the part of the House, sent up.

Bill an act to change the name of James Henry Hartwell.

Bill an act in regard to the powers & duties of Probate Courts.

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Bill an act to amend Chap 41 of the Rev. Statutes in relation to elections

Bill an act to amend Chap 47 of the R. S. relating to printing abstracts from Returns of Cashiers of Banks.

Bill an act additional to Chap 22 of the R. S. relating to fences & common fields.

Bill an act relating to judicial proceedings in Knox County.

Bill an act to make valid the doings of the town of Farmingdale

The forgoing bills were presented by leave & under the rule lie over till tomorrow for their first reading.

Bill an act to set off a portion of the town of Albion & annex the same to the town of Benton read a third time & passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to prevent the destruction of Salmon trout & other fish in certain lakes in Franklin County

Resolve in favor of Hamlin Dickey.

This bill having been read a third time & the Resolve time were passed to be engrossed & sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of additional aid in building a bridge at Mattawamkeag Forks came back from the Senate postponed indefinitely

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The House insisted on its former vote; proposed a conference & appointed Mess. Cony of Augusta, Chase of Turner, & Dyer of New Sharon Conferees on the part of the House, sent up.

Mr. Robinson from Commn Military Pensions on order relating to State pensioners reported Resolve repealing Resolves in favor of Alexander G. Taylor and Charles W. Bucknam

Bill an act to amend chap. 257 of Resolves of 1855 relating to printing public documents Report accepted Resolve read once, bill read twice & tomorrow assigned.

On motion of Mr Gunnison of Scarboro Ordered, That Eastman Jones and Samuel Small members of this House be excused from further attendance & the Comm. on Pay Roll make up their pay to the end of the session

Bill an act to incorporate the Bethel Steam Mill Company amended as per sheet "A" & passed to be Engrossed, sent up.

Bill an act relating to Trial Justices, Justices of the Peace & Justices of the Peace & Quorum, Mr Hayden of Bath moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House yesterday postponed indefinitely this bill, Mr Creely of Dexter moved and the House ordered this question to be taken by Yeas & Nays & being so taken the vote was reconsidered by Yeas 61 Nays 51.

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs D. F. Ayer, W. R. Ayer, Beaver, Bisbee, J. L. Blake, Brickly, Buckman, Cheeley, Clay, Cleaveland, Clough, Coffin, A. Davis, Dollier, Donnell, Eddy, Eldred, J. Ellis, Fernald, Golden, Gunnison, Haley, H. G. O. Harker, S. A. Holbrook, S. T. Holbrook, Holyoke, Howard, Jellison, Jones, Kellar, Lambert, Laughton, Libby, Lee, F. Lowell, Lyman, McIntire, McMartin, Miller, J. McMeen, Palmer, J. W. Parker, Peckham, C. C. Perkins, Porter, Reed, Ross, Scott, Shaw, Sirois, Smoll, Stickney, Stone, Stover, Talbot, Thing, Tucker, Wardwell, Watts, Welt, William, Winslow

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs Abbott, Butler, Schaw, Conant, Cony, Copeland, Crosby, Crawford, S. B. Davis, Dyer, Eaton, Foss, C. Foster, O. Foster, Frye, Gilman, Goodwin, Hammond, Hanson, Hathaway, Hayden, Hicks, Hodgman, Hoxie, Hussey, Stafford, Kent, Kingsbury, Lawrence, Lethrop, Moses Lowell, Manson, McLellan, Merrill, Daniel Perkins, Rigby, Robbins, Robinson, Rodgers, Shea, Skolfield, Sleeper, Smith, Stacy, Sutton, Swift, Trundy, Turner, Vickery, Warren and Worcester.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Westbrook the bill was amended as per sheet "A" opposed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr Parker of Gorham
Ordered That 500 Copies of the report of the Commissioner on Legislative Agency with report of Com. on Same be printed for the use of the Legislature

Resolve making a conditional grant to the

Maine State Seminary taken from the table on motion of Mr. Lethrop of Leeds and tomorrow at fifteen minutes before eleven assigned.

Resolve authorizing the purchase of 300 copies of the Revised Statutes came from the Senate that branch insisting on its former vote. The House concurred and appointed Messrs Hayden of Bath, Crosby of Dexter & Lyman of Machias Conferees on the part of the House

Report of Comm on Education on order relating to Superintendants of Common Schools reporting legislation inexpedient taken up on motion of Mr Crosby of Dexter and accepted sent up

Mr Cony from the Comm on Banks & Banking on order relating to days of grace reported bill an act to amend Sec 9 Chap 32 of the R.S. relating to days of grace

Mr Abbott from Comm on Agriculture on bill an act relating to weights & sale of potatoes reported the same in a new draft

Report accepted Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned,

Bill an act to make valid the doings of Hiram Bass,

Bill an act additional to chap 90 of the R.S. concerning mortgages –

Bill an act to change the time for holding the April term of the Sup. Jud. Court Lincoln Co.
The preceding were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

Bill an act to amend Chap 91 of the Acts of 1862
Refd. to Comm. Mil. & Military Affairs.

Petition of Joseph Barnett & 51 als for repeal of act passed March 18 1862 in aid of families of volunteers
Refd. Joint Aid Com.

On motion of Mr. Beaver of Minot

Adjourned
Attest
Chas. A. Miller, Clerk;

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Thursday March 12, 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr Manger of Gardiner,

The Journal of yesterday was read approved,

Papers from the Senate.

Bill an act in addition to an act to incorporate the City of Belfast.

Resolve relating to the Penobscot Indians.

Report of Comm. on Military Pensions on order relating to State pensions reporting Resolve additional to Resolve in favor of Lewis Bisbee

This report came from the Senate accepted & the Bills & resolves passed to be engrossed, Reports accepted in concurrence bill read once resolve read once and tomorrow assigned,

Resolve for procuring copies of original documents in the British State Paper office not heretofore published in regard to the Early history of Maine came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A" & passed to be engrossed. The House receded & passed the Resolve to be engrossed in concurrence,

Order relating to sale of interest in real estate on Execution came from the Senate

rules suspended & passed. Passed in concurrence.

On motion
Ordered, That John B. Coffin, Charles Rigby after the 14th inst. and Asa Buckman after the 19th inst. be excused from further attendance, and the Comm. on Pay Roll make up their pay to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. Gunnison of Scarboro
Ordered, That after Monday next, this house shall hold two sessions per diem; the morning session to commence at 10 o'clock, the afternoon session to commence at 2½ o'clock; excepting on Saturdays & Mondays when the usual morning session shall be held at the usual hour.

On motion of Mr. Cony of Augusta
Ordered That the Clerk of the House prepare & report a list of the members of the House who have been excused from further attendance at this session.

On motion of Mr Beeler of Hallowell
Ordered That the joint order proposing reference of petitions to the next Legislature be suspended for the purpose of receiving an act to provide a depository of wills

Bill an act to provide a depository for wills

Resolve in aid of the Milford & Princeton turnpike
Rules suspended, Received & under rule lie over till tomorrow for a first reading.

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Resolve making a conditional grant to the Maine State Seminary being the special assignment of this hour was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Crosby of Dexter the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the subject, Mr. Crosby in the chair.

Subsequently the Committee rose and the chairman reported the Resolve with amendments.

Resolve making a conditional grant of land to the Maine State Seminary, amended as per sheets A & B. and the question then being on passing the Resolve to be engrossed, Mr. Gunnison of Scarboro, moved and the House ordered the question to be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken the Resolve was passed by Yeas 64 Nays 51

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs Abbott, Baker, Beard, Bieber, Bradbury, Butler, S. Chase, Clay, Cleaveland, Cony, Copeland, Crosby, Crawford, Dingley, Dyer, Eaton, Evans, Foss, C. Foster, O. Frye, Gilman, Gilman, Golder, Goodwin, Gunnison, Haley, Hanson, D. M. Haskell, H. G. Haskell, Hathaway, Hayden, Hinks, Hobson, Hodsman, S. Hollbrook, S. T. Hollbrook, Hoxie, Hussey, Kingsbury, Laughton, Libby, Lothrop, Love, Mark, Lowell, Moses Lowell, Manson, McCaneland, McLellan, Miller, Pettle, Reed, Rigby, Rogers, Ross, Shaw, Shea, Stacy, Thing, Trundy, Tucker, Turner, Vickery, Wardwell, Worcester

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs. D. F. Ayer, W. R. Ayer, Brothly, Brown, Buckman, Clark, Clough, Coffin, Conant

A. Davis, Day, Dolbin, Donnell, Eddy, Eldred
Fernald, A Foster, Hammond, Holyoke, Howard
Jellison, Kellar, Kent, Lambert, Lawrence
F. Lowell, Lyman, McMaster, J McMoon
Palmer, J W Parker, Peckham, C C Perkins
Daniel Perkins, Robinson, Scott, Simms
Sleeper, Small, Smith, Stilson, Stickney
Stone, Stoon, Swift, Talbot, Warren, Welt
Williams, & Winslow.

The Resolve was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Cony of Augusta,
Adjourned
Attest
Chas. A. Miller, Clerk.

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Friday March 13 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr Follet of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of Com. on Judiciary on order relating to taxation of deposits in Savings Institutions reporting legislation inexpedient.
Also same report on order relating to taxing Bank Stock.
Also same report on order relative to amending Chap. 44 of the R. S. respecting hawkers & pedlers.
Reports accepted in concurrence.

Bill an act to dispense with the use of seals in the execution of contracts
Refd. to Com. on Jud. in concurrence.

Order relating to writs of error & writs of review. Passed in concurrence.

Petition of Daniel Bunker for payment of claims for board of soldiers
Refd. to Com. on Mil & Military affairs in con.

Report of Com. on Military Pensions on order relating to State pensions reporting Resolve repealing Resolves in favor of W. W. Quimby and Herman Nye. Report accepted Resolve and once & lesson opd.

Resolve in aid of the Milford & Princeton turnpike company, taken from the table & refd. to Com. on St. Lands & St. Roads

Mr. Kingsbury from the Com. in Judiciary on petition of D. H. Craig reported Case to withdraw
Also same report of pet. of C. A. Page rols
Also ought not to pass on bill an act relating to Poor Debtors,
Also same report on bill and act relating to forcible entry & detainer.

Mr. Clay from same Com. reported refusal to the next Legislature on pet. of S. G. Jerrard rols
Also same report on pet. of A. W. Wilder rols.
Also legislation inexpedient on order relative to additional Law term of S. J. Court
Also same report on order relative to collection of annual interest

Mr. Crosby from same Com. reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to collection of highway taxes.
Also same report on order relative to amending the 39th Sec of chap 49 R.S.
Reports accepted, sent up.

Bill an act to amend the charter of the city of Augusta taken from the table and postponed indefinitely.

Mr. Kingsbury from Com. on Judiciary on bill an act in relation to the election of warden & clerks in cities reported the same ought to pass.

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Also same report on bill an act to secure a more prompt payment of county taxes in the County of Cumberland

Also same report on bill an act to amend the 46th Chap of the R. S. relating to Corporations.

Mr. Goodwin from same Com. on bill an act relating to divorce reported the same in a new draft.

Also on petition of Jacob Jeffery & ols reported bill an act to authorize Tristram Goldthwait & Lyman F. Verrill to construct a wharf at the Pool in Biddeford

Mr. Clay from same Com. on Bill an act relating to auctioneers reported the same in a new draft.

Mr. Cony from the Com. on Finance reported Resolve for the payment of expenses incurred in negotiating a State loan.

Reports accepted, Bills read twice resolves read once & tomorrow assigned.

Bill an act to provide a depositary for sick

Bill an act relating to fees of Registers of Deeds. These bills were read twice & tomorrow asd. for third reading.

On motion

Ordered, That Millimon Watt & Parker G. Eaton be excused from further attendance & the Com. on Pay Roll make up their pay to the end of the session.

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On motion of Mr Crosby of Dutch
Ordered, That all applications from members of this House to be expressed for the remainder of the session or hereafter offered be referred to the Com. in Lieu of Abroad & that said Com. be required to report each case to the House.

On motion of Mr Ross of Kennebunk
Ordered, That the Messenger of the House distribute to members of this House the balance of copies of the Adjutant General's Report due them, in accordance with the vote of both branches.

On motion of Mr. Abbot of Glenburn
Ordered That the use of this Hall be granted for a meeting this evening to consider the best disposition to be made of the grant of public land for an agricultural College.

Bill an act in relation to the powers and duties of Probate Courts
Taken from the table & refd. to the Com. on Judiciary.

Mr. Stickney from the Com. of Conference on the disagreeing vote of the two Houses on Bill an act to incorporate the So. Jefferson Bog Company reported that it ought not to pass Report accepted, sent up.

Bill an act to incorporate Young Patent Boot Stretcher Co. read a third time & passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

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Bill an act to amend chap. 257 of the Revolves of 1855 relative to printing public documents.

Bill an act fixing the standard weight and sale of potatoes.

Resolve to amend a Resolve in favor of certain banks of the State of Maine.
Bills read their terms Resolve and time opposed to be engrossed & set up for concurrence —

Bill an act to confer certain persons on the city of Portland

Bill an act to make valid the doings of the town of Peru.

Bill an act to change the corporate name of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary.

Bill an act to set off a portion of the town of Albion & annex the same to the town of Benton.

Bill an act to incorporate the Bethel Steam Mill Company

Resolve laying a tax on the several counties in this State —

Resolve authorizing the survey & lease of lots in townships owned by the Passamaquoddy Indians in the County of Washington

Resolve for the repair of the State road in Indian Township.

Resolve in favor of the town of Abbott

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These bills having been three times read and the Resolves twice read each passed to be engrossed reported by the Com. on Engrossed Bills as truly & strictly engrossed the bills were passed to be enacted Resolves passed finally each signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Resolve making a conditional grant of land to the Maine State Seminary. Mr Leavitt of Dexter moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House passed this resolve to be engrossed. Pending this question. On motion of Mr. Leavitt of Dexter the House was resolved into a Com. of the whole on the subject. Mr Leavitt in the chair.

Subsequently the Com. rose & the chairman reported progress

The question then recurred upon reconsidering the vote. On motion of Mr. Cony of Augusta the Speaker was directed to participate in the discussion. The question was pending when

On motion of Mr. Dingley of Auburn. The House adjourned till 2½ o'clock p.m.

Afternoon Session.

Met according to adjournment

Resolve making a conditional grant of land to the Maine State Seminary.

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was taken up & considered when on motion of Mr. Gunnison of Scarboro the same was laid upon the table and Tuesday next at 11 o'clock assigned.

Report of Com. on Division of Towns on pet. of Isaac Carleton & ds taken from the table on motion of Mr Gunnison of Scarboro the question being on accepting the report. The same was considered when on motion of Mr Gunnison of Scarboro,

Adjourned.

Attest

Charles A Miller, Clerk.

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Saturday March 14 1863

Met according to adjournment

Prayer by the Rev Mr Hackaway of Skowhegan

The Speaker announced the absence of the Clerk when

On motion of Mr. Turner of Augusta, Ordered That during the absence of the Clerk Horace Stilson be & hereby is declared Clerk pro. tem. of this House with authority to appoint his assistant.

Mr. Turner accompanied the Clerk pro tem. to the Council Chamber where he took & subscribed the oaths of office necessary to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of Com. on Claims on petition of F. E. Heath reporting reference to next Legislature. Also same on petition of F. D. Sewall

Accepted in concurrence.

Report of Com. on Mer. Affairs & Insurance on order relating to Waterville Fire Ins. Co. reporting bill an act to amend the Charter of the Waterville Mutual Insurance Company.

Report of Com. on Reform School reporting Resolve in favor of the Reform School.

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Report of Com. on State Prison reporting a Resolve in favor of the State Prison.

Reports accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice, Resolves read once & Monday next assigned.

On motion of Mr. Crosby of Dexter that Prestiman was charged with & conveyed a message to the Senate informing that branch that in the absence of the Clerk. Horace Stilson had been chosen Clerk pro tem.

Mr. Turner from Joint Special Com. reported legislation inexpedient on order relative to advancing allotments made by soldiers on account of the National Government.

Mr. Kingsbury from Com. on Judiciary reported ought not to pass on Bill an act to dispense with the use of seals in the execution of contracts.

Mr. Crosby from same Com. reported legislation inexpedient on order relative to requiring resident owners of lands sold for taxes to bring the amount of taxes into court.

Also same report on order relative to amending Chap. 6 Sec. 143 of the Revised Statutes.

Reports accepted, sent up for concurrence.

A message was recd. from the Senate through its Secty. informing the House that a vacancy exists in the first Senatorial dist. occasioned by the death of Hon. Nehemiah Colby; that the Constitutional candidates are Luther Sanborn

and Gideon Tucker and proposing a joint Convention of the Legislature in the Hall of Representatives this day at 11 o'clock for the purpose of filling the vacancy.

The Clerk was charged with receiving a message from the Senate signifying the concurrence of the House in the Senate proposition,

Bill an act to amend Chap 47 of the R. S. relating to printing abstracts from returns of Cashiers of Banks,

Bill an act to make valid the doings of the town of Farmingdale

Bill an act to amend Chap. 4 of the R. S.

Bill an act additional to Chap 22 of the R. S. relating to fences & common fields

Bill an act relating to judicial proceedings in Knox County.

Bill an act to change the names of certain persons,

Bill an act to change the name of Stanley D. Hitchcock

These bills were each read twice & Monday next assigned for a third reading.

The hour of 11 o'clock having arrived the Senate came in & a Convention was formed.

In Convention

On motion of Mr. Stevens of Oxford,

Messrs. Stevens of Oxford, Doe of York, Bradbury of Springfield, Boothby of Parsonsfield Haskell of Poland, Foss of Charleston, and Hussey of Monticello were appointed a committee to receive, sort & count votes

Having attended to that duty reported

Whole no. of votes	125
Necessary for a choice	63
Luther Sanborn had	80
Gideon Tucker "	45

The report was accepted & the Hon. Luther Sanborn was declared duly Elected Senator from the first Senatorial district.

The purposes of the Convention being accomplished the Senate withdrew & the Con. was dissolved.

The House was called to order by the Speaker,

Mr. Goodwin from the Com. on the Judiciary on Bill an act to make valid the doings of Hiram Bass reported that the same ought to pass. ...

Mr. Clay from same Com. on bill an act to amend Chap. 177 of the Laws of 1860 reported the same in a new draft.

Mr. Kingsbury from same Com. on Bill an act to amend Chap. 71 Sec. 17 of the R. S. relating to sales of real estate reported the same ought to pass. Reports accepted Bills read twice & Monday assigned for a third reading.

Bill an act to amend the 46 Chap. of the

R. S. relating to returns of Stockholders of Manufacturing Corporations

Bill an act in relation to Election of wardens & Clerks in Cities.

Bill an act to provide a depository of wills

Resolve for the payment of expenses incurred in negotiating State loan.

The foregoing bills having been three times read & the resolve time read were each passed to be engrossed & sent up.

Bill an act relating to fees of Registers of Deeds.

Resolve repealing Resolves in favor of William H. Quimby & Herman Nye

The foregoing bills having been three times read & the Resolve time read were each passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Scott of Greenbush.
Ordered The Senate concurring the Legislature adjourn Friday the 20th inst.

On motion of Mr. Dudley of Presque Isle.
Ordered, That the use of this Hall be tendered to Prest. Champlin of Waterville College Prof H. T. Love Hon. J. G. Blaine & others on Wednesday evening 18th inst to give expression to their views in relation to a College in this State for the benefits of Agriculture, Mechanic Arts & Military Tactics.

Orders Excusing H. G. O. Hackett. J. Stickney.

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John Haley, T. J. Copeland John S. Peckham & Henry Dolbier from further attendance at this Session.

Refd. to Com. on Sean of Absence

Bill an act to secure the more prompt payment of County taxes in the county of Cumberland read a third time & on motion of Mr. Gunnison of Scarboro laid upon the table.

Report of Com. on Div. of Towns on petition of Isaac Carleton & als taken up considered & accepted sent up for concurrence.

Adjourn

Attest Horace Stetson Clerk pro. tem

Attest Charles A. Miller, Clerk,

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Monday March 16 1863.

Met according to adjournment

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Gurley of Augusta.

The Journal of Saturday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of Com. on Claims on claim of George W. Tukey & Frederick O Chick reporting Resolve in favor of Geo. W. Tukey & Frederick O. Chick

Report of Com. on Judiciary on Resolves providing for amendment of the constitution reporting the same ought to pass.

Report of Com. on Manufactures on petition of John G. Tibbitts & als reporting Bill an act to incorporate the Little River Manufacturing Company

Reports accepted in concurrence Resolves read once, bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for second reading of the Resolves & third reading of the bill.

Report of Com. on Mil & Mil. affairs on orders of Legislature reporting bill an act to enrol & organize the Militia of Maine. Recommitted in concurrence.

Report of Com. on Claims reporting finally Accepted in concurrence.

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Bill an act concerning the keeping of dogs and protection of sheep. Taken from the table & on motion of Mr. Gunnison of Scarboro postponed indefinitely, Sent up.

Bill an act relating to divorce,

Bill an act to change the name of Hartley D. Hitchcock. These bills were read a third time & on motion of Mr. Hayden of Bath laid upon the table.

Bill an act to amend Chap. 47 of R. S. relating to printing abstracts from returns of cashiers of banks. read a third time and on motion of Mr. Cleanland of Madison laid upon the table.

Bill an act relating to Auctioneers read a third time & on motion of Mr. Lyman of Machias laid upon the table.

Bill an act to provide for taxing Bank Stock. Taken from the table & considered. Senate amendments D. E. F & G adopted and on motion of Mr. Small of Machiasport laid upon the table

Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the Aroostook R.R. Company

Resolve in favor of the towns of Bremen, Smyrna & Macwahoc Plantations.

Resolve in relation to Commissioners under Resolve of March 15 1862.

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The foregoing bill having been three times read & the Resolves twice read were each ordered to be engrossed, sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act in addition to an act to incorporate the City of Belfast

Resolve additional to Resolve in favor of Lewis Bisbee.

Resolve in favor of the State Prison.

Bill an act to amend the charter of the Waterville Mutual Fire Ins. Company.

Three bills having been three times read & the Resolves twice read were each ordered to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Dover and Foxcroft Village Fire Company and to repeal an act entitled an act to incorporate the Foxcroft Village Fire Company

Bill an act to incorporate the Dover and Foxcroft Fire Company. read three times, rules suspended ordered to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to make valid the doings of Hiram Bass.

Bill an act to amend chap. 177 of the laws of 1860 relating to Nuisances

Bill an act to amend chap. 71 Sec 17 of R.S. relating to sales of real estate

Bill an act to authorize Tristram Goldthwait and Syman F. Verrill to construct a wharf at the Pool in Biddeford

Bill an act to change the names of certain persons.

Bill an act to make valid the doings of the town of Farmingdale.

Bill an act to amend Chap. 4 of the R.S. in relation to elections.

Bill an act to amend Sec 9 of chap 32 of R.S. relating to days of grace.

Bill an act relating to judicial proceedings in Knox County.

Resolve repealing Resolves in favor of Alexander G. Turner & Charles W. Bucknam.

The foregoing bills having been three times read & the Resolves twice read even each passed to be engrossed & sent up

Bill an act additional to Chap. 22 of R.S. relating to fences & common fields, read a third time, amended as per sheet "A" & passed to be engrossed, sent up.

Resolve in favor of State Reform School read a second time, Senate amendment "A" adopted, further amended as per sheet B. & passed to be engrossed & sent up for concurrence.

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Bill an act to amend Chap. 29 of the R.S. relating to bowling alleys & billiard saloons and also Chap 82 of the Laws of 1862 relating to the same subject.

Bill an act to prevent the further destruction of Salmon, Trout & other fish in certain Lakes in Franklin County.

Bill an act to incorporate Kenyon Patent Boot Stretcher Company.

Resolve in favor of Hanlin Dickey

Resolve for procuring copies of original Documents in the British State Paper office not heretofore published in regard to the early history of Maine,

The foregoing Resolves having been twice read & the Bills three times read each passed to be engrossed & sent to the Committee on Engrossed Bills & truly & strictly engrossed the Resolves were passed finally Bills passed to be enacted signed by the Speaker & sent to the Senate.

Mr. Hammond of Paris presented the following order which under the rule lies over till tomorrow.

Ordered That no member be allowed more than fifteen minutes to speak on any question before this House during this session except by unanimous consent.

On motion of Mr. Stetson of Bangor

Ordered, That a Select Committee

consisting of one from Each County on the part of the House with such as the Senate may join be requested to inquire into the expediency of the appointment by the Govr. Council of one person in each County to obtain Contributions during the recess of the Legislature in aid of the purchase of a suitable location & the erection of suitable buildings for the contemplated Agricultural College for this State without any regard to its permanent location.

On motion of Mr. Miller of Princeton

Adjourned —

Attest H. Stiles Clerk pro tem,

Attest Charles A. Miller, Clerk.

Tuesday March 17. 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Hathaway of Skowhegan.

The Journal of yesterday was read approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of Com. on Manufactures reporting finally.

Report of Com. on State Lands & St Roads reporting reference to the next Legislature in relation to aid of the construction of the Midford & Penobscot Turnpike

Report of Com. on Aid & Encouragement of Volunteers reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Deborah Payne.

Report of Com. on Incorporation of Towns reporting finally.

Report of Com. on Judiciary reporting ought not to pass on bill to amend Sec. 2 Chapt 66 of R.S. concerning Insolvent Estate

Report of Com. on Div. of Towns reporting finally

These reports came from the Senate accepted were accepted in concurrence.

Bill an act fixing the standard weight & sale of potatoes came back from the Senate passed indefinitely. The House concurs.

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Report of Com. on Judiciary on petition of Timothy B. Grant sals reporting bill an act to make valid the doings of North Prospect Burying Ground Corporation.

Report of Com. on State Lands & St. Roads reporting ought not to pass on bill an act to repeal Chap. 109 of the private acts of 1861 relating to scaling of lumber.

These reports came from the Senate accepted & the bills passed to be engrossed. Reports accepted in concurrence, Rules suspended, Rules suspended, bill read three times & passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Little River Manufacturing Company.

Resolve in favor of George W. Tukey & Frederick O. Chick. This bill having been read three times & the Resolve twice read were passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of Com. on Manufactures reporting ought to pass on bill an act to incorporate the Robinson Manufacturing Company.

Report of Com. on Military Pensions on order relating to State Pensioners reporting Resolve in addition to Resolve in favor of Henry Upton. These reports came from the Senate accepted & bill & Resolve passed to be engrossed. Reports accepted in concurrence. bill read twice Resolve read once and tomorrow assigned.

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Mr. Clay from the Com. on Jud. reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to right of collectors of taxes to seize & sell property.

Also same report on order relating to Aqueduct Corporations.

Also leave to withdraw on petition of Ira T. Dearborn.

Mr. Holbrook from Com. on Div. of Towns reported leave to withdraw on petition of Sirene Gould & als.
Reports accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Hayden from Select Com. to investigate certain charges preferred against the Messenger of this House reported in detail.
Report accepted.

Resolves providing for amendments to the Constitution in relation to the election of Gov. and Senators: read a second time & on motion of Mr. Hayden of Bath laid upon the table

Order relating to limiting members to fifteen minutes debate, taken up & passed.

Order excusing Messrs Stover of Harpswell Sirois of Dion Plantation, Porter of Orneville & Warren of Veazie, refd to Com. on Leave of Absence with instruction to report today.

Resolve making a conditional grant of land to the Maine State Seminary being the special assignment of this hour was taken up and considered.

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On motion of Mr Hayden of Bath
adjourned till 2½ p.m.

Afternoon Session.

Met according to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Westbrook
Ordered, That a message be sent to the
Senate informed by the Clerk of the House
requesting a delay of action upon the
nomination of Hon. O.D. Baxters office
the existing vacancy upon the bench of the
Supreme Court until the Legislature shall
have acted upon the order referred to the
Com. on the Judiciary, pertinently to said
nomination, inquiring into the expediency
of reducing the number of Justices con-
stituting said Court also upon the order
likewise referred to said com. inquiring
into the expediency of alterations in the
organization of the Judiciary.
The Clerk communicated the message.

On motion of Mr. Cony of Augusta
Ordered, That the vote upon the reconsider-
ation of the vote passing to be engrossed a
Resolve making a conditional grant of
land to the Maine State Seminary shall
be taken on Wednesday March 18 at 11
o'clock a.m.

Resolve making a conditional grant of land
to the Maine State Seminary taken up and
amended on motion of Mr. Trundy of
Penobscot tomorrow at 11 o'clock a.m.

Mr Bowlby from the Com. on Leave of Absence reported an order excusing Jonathan Stickney, John Haley, L. St Sloan Nahum Warren, Henry Dolbier, & Mr Porter members of this House from further attendance,

Mr Hayden from the Com. on Railroads, Ways & Bridges on act relating to attachments reported Bill an act relating to attachments & the exemption of property therefrom Report accepted, Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the City of Belfast.

Bill an act to amend the Charter of the Waterville Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

Resolve in favor of the State Prison

Resolve repealing Resolve in favor of Wm P. Quinby & Norman Nye.

Resolve additional to Resolve in favor of Levis Bibber,

The foregoing Bills having been three times read the Resolves twice read each passed to be engrossed and reported by the Com. on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the Bills were passed to be enacted, Resolves passed finally each signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Mr. Gunnison of Scarboro moved a re-consideration of the vote whereby the House adopted the Senate amendments to Bill An act taxing bank capital & on his motion this motion was laid upon the table & tomorrow at 11½ o'clock opd. for its consideration.

On motion of Mr. Gunnison of Scarboro,

Adjourned,

Attest,

Charles A. Miller, Clerk,

LLMC DIGITAL

Wednesday March 18 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Rowe of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of Com. on Military Pensions on order relating to State Pensioners reporting Resolve repealing Resolves in favor of Wm Poor, jr. Robert Waugh & David Strout.
Report accepted in concurrence, Resolve read once & tomorrow assigned.

Bill an act relating to attachments and the exemption of property therefrom, read a third time & on motion of Mr Hayden of Bath laid upon the table.

Mr Brothly from the Com. on Leave of Absence reported an order excusing O.R. Sirois member of this House from further attendance.
Accepted & order passed.

Order excusing Dan. M. Haskell, sent to the Com. on Leave of Absence.

Mr. McLellan from the Com. on R. W. & Bridges reported leave to withdraw on petition of W. M. Rodgers & als.
Also legislation inexpedient on order relating to mortgages of Kennebec & Portland Railroad.

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Also leave to withdraw on pet. of John Hubbard & als

Mr. Crosby from Com. on Judiciary reported ought not to pass on bill an act concerning mortgages.
Also same report on bill relating to powers and duties of courts of probate.
Also legislation inexpedient on order concerning amending chap 18 of the R.S.

Mr. Clay from same Com. made same report on amending law relating to sale of interest in real estate on Execution
The foregoing reports were accepted & sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to secure the more prompt payment of County taxes in the County of Cumberland. taken up & considered & on motion of Mr. Kingsbury of Portland laid upon the table.

Bill an act additional to chap 130 of the laws of 1862 entitled an act to regulate the agencies for & to prevent imposition in the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Bill an act to incorporate the Robinson Manufacturing Company.

Resolve in addition to Resolve in favor of Henry Upton.
These bills having been three times read & the Resolve time read were each passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

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Mr. Cony from the Com. of Conference on the disagreeing vote of the two Houses on Resolve making an additional appropriation for re-building the bridge at Mattawamkeag Forks reported that the Com. are unable to agree & that the House insist upon its vote
Report accepted.

Bill an act to provide for taxing bank-stock taken from the table. The House recede & concur with the Senate in its amendments & pass the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Petition of George P Knight for compensation for Military Services. Rules suspended recd. & refd. to Com. on Mil & Military Affairs.

Mr. Clay from Com. on Jud. on memorial of George M. Weston reported Resolve in favor of George M. Weston.

Mr. Crosby from Same Com. on bill an act to change the time for holding the April term of the S.J.C in the Co. of Lincoln reported the same ought to pass
Reports accepted Resolve read once Bill read time & tomorrow assigned.

Order excusing Mr. F. Winslow from further attendance. refd. to Com. on Leave of Absence

Resolve making a conditional grant of land to the Maine State Seminary being the special assignment of this hour was taken up, the question being upon reconsidering

the vote passing the same to be engrossed and the same was reconsidered by Yeas 61 Nays 56 as follows.

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs. D. F. Ayer, W. R. Ayer, Bieber, J. L. Bloke, S. H. Bloke, Boothby, Buckman, Burgess, Clark, Clough, Conant, S. B. Davis (Dorhon) Day, Donnell, Dudley, Eddy, Eldred, S. Ellis, Fernald, Foster, Hammond, Hinks, Holyoke, Howard, Jellison, Kellar, Kent, Lambert, Law, Lawrence, Leavitt, F. Lowell, Lyman, McIntire, McLellan, McMaster, J. W. C. Moore, Joseph Moore, Page, Palmer, J. W. Parker, Peckham, C. C. Perkins, D. Perkins, Porter, Reed, Robbins, Robbinson, Scott, Sleeper, Smith, Stacy, Stetson, Stickney, Stone, Swift, Talbot, Warren, Welt, Williams, Winslow.

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs. Baker, Beard, Bradford, Butler, S. Chase, Clay, Cleaveland, Corey, Crosby, Crawford, Dingley, Drummond, (Dudley) Dudley, Dyer, Eaton, R. W. Ellis, Farnell, C. Foster, Fryer, Gilman, Golder, Gunnison, Haskell, D. M., H. G. D. Haskell, Hachaway, Hayden, Holson, Hodgman, S. A., Holbrook, Hussey, Huxford, Kingsbury, Laughton, Learned, Libbey, Lothrop, Low, M. Lowell, Manson, McCausland, McMaster, Rigby, Rodgers, Ross, Rowe, Shaw, Shea, Skolfield, Tarbox, Thing, Trundy, Tucker, Turner, Wardwell, Worcester.

The resolve was then amended as per sheets A & B & the question being upon passing the same to be engrossed as amended, Mr. Clark of Tremont moved & the House ordered the Yeas & Nays & being so taken the Resolve was refused a passage by Yeas 53, Nays 65 as follows.

Those who voted in the Affirmative were

Messrs Baker, Bearce, Bradford, Butler, S. Chase
Clay, Cleaveland, Corry, Crosby, Crawford, Dingley
Drummond, Dudley, Dyer, Eaton, R.W. Ellis,
Farrell, C. Foster, Frye, Gilman, Golder, Goodwin
Gunnison, D. McHackell H.G. O'Hackell, Hackaway
Hayden, Holson, Hodgman, Holbrook, S.A., Hussey
Hurford, Kingsley, Laughton, Libby, Love,
Lowell Moses, Merrick Lowell, Manson, McCaneland, Merrill, Page, Palmer, Rigby
Ross, Rowe, Shaw, Shea, Skolfield, Tarlox
Trundy, Tucker, Turner, Wardwell, Worcester

Those who voted in the Negative were
Messrs, D.T. Ayer, W.R. Ayer, Birbe, J.L. Bloke
S.H. Bloke, Brothly, Brown, Buckman, Burgess
Clark, Clough, Conant, A. Davis S.B. Davis
Day, Donnell, Dudley, Eddy, Eldred, S. Ellis
Fernald, Foss, Isaac Foster, Haley, Hammond
Hinks Holyoke Howard, Jellison Kellar
Kent, Lambert Lane Lawrence Leavitt, F.
Lowell, Lyman, McIntire McLellan, McMaster
J.W. McMoon Joseph Moore Page Palmer J.W.
Parker, Peckham, C.C. Perkins D. Perkins Porter
Reed, Robbins Robinson Scott, Sleeper, Smith
Stacy, Stetson, Stickney Stone, Swift Talbot
Warren, Welt Williams & Winslow

The Resolve was sent to the Senate,

A message was recd, from the Gov. through the Secy. of State communicating a reply to the House order of the 17th inst.

Mr. Drummond from the Comm. on Finance reported bill an act for the assessment of a State tax for the year 1863 amounting to $495,366,99. Report accepted Bill read twice & tomorrow assigned

Mr. Reed from the Common Change of names on petition of Harriet Norton Young reported Bill an act to change the name of Harriet Norton Young Report accepted Rules suspended Bill read three times & passed to be Engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to make valid the doings of the North Prospect Burying Ground Corporation

Bill an act to incorporate the Little River Manufacturing Company.

Resolve in favor of the State Reform School.
These bills having been three times read & the Resolves time read each passed to be Engrossed & reported by the Common Engrossed Bills as truly & strictly Engrossed the bills were passed to be enacted, resolve passed finally each signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Hicks of Bucksport Adjourned till 2½ o'clock p.m.

Afternoon Session

Met according to adjournment

Bill an act relating to Auctioneers, taken from the table amended as per sheet "A" & passed to be engrossed, sent up.

Resolve relating to the purchase of stationery for the State Departments & the Legislature presented by Mr. Seymour of Machias, Rules

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suspended, read twice & passed to be engrossed, sent to the Senate.

Order excusing William Duley from further attendance. Rept. to Comm. on Leave of Absence.

On motion of Mr Manson of Bangor

Adjourned,
Attest,
Charles A. Miller, Clerk.

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Tuesday March 19 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. McKenzie of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of Com. on State Lands & St Roads reporting Resolve creating & designating certain lands for settlement.

Report of Com. on Jud. on Resolve providing for the presentation of certain Books and publications to Literary Institutions and to public libraries reported the same ought to pass.

Report of Com. on Militia & Military Affairs on bill an act additional to an act authorizing the setting of land for forts & other purposes reported the same ought to pass.

Report of Com. on Judiciary on order relating to collection of taxes of non-residents reporting bill an act additional to chap. 6 of the R.S. relating to the collection of taxes.

These reports came from the Senate accepted & the bills & resolve passed to be engrossed. Reports accepted in concurrence Bills read twice & Resolve read once & tomorrow assigned.

Bill an act for the appointment of a State

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tax for the year 1863 amounting to $495.366,99

Bill an act to change the time of holding the April term of the S. J. Court in Lincoln Co.
These bills having been three times read were passed to be engrossed & sent to the Senate.

Resolve repealing Resolves in favor of Wm Poor jr Robert Waugh, & David Strout read a second time & passed to be engrossed in concurrence

Resolve for the purchase of 300 copies of R.S. amended as per sheet "A" & passed to be engrossed, sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act additional to chap 25 of the R.S. relating to fences & common fields. Came back from the Senate postponed indefinitely. The House insisted on its former vote, proposed a conference and appointed Messrs Kingsbury of Portland Foster of Nurry & Ross of Kennebunkport Conferees on the part of the House.

Resolve providing for amendments of the Constitution in relation to the election of Governor & Senators taken from the table amended as per sheet "A" and postponed indefinitely.

Mr. Boothby from Com. on Leave of Absence reported an order excusing D. M. Harkell & M. F. Winslow from further attendance.
Report accepted, order passed,

Report of Com. on St. Lands & St. Roads in claim of W. H. McCrillis reporting Resolve in favor of W. H. McCrillis came from the Senate accepted & Resolve passed to be engrossed Report accepted Resolve read once & Saturday assigned for a second reading.

Mr. Goodwin from Com. on Judiciary on order relating to units of review & units of Error reported bill an act ~~[illegible]~~ an act relating to units of review. Appd. March 27 1858 Also ought to pass on bill an act in addition to chap 86 of the R. S. relative to trustee disclosures.

Mr. Hathaway from the Com. on Library on order relating to preservation of certain documents reported Resolve relating to the binding of certain pamphlets and newspapers. Reports accepted Bills read twice Resolve read once and tomorrow assigned.

On motion of Mr. Stone of Fay Ordered, That the use of this Hall be granted the friends of an Agricultural College to hold public meeting this evening at 7½ o'clock

Mr. Shea from the Com. on County Estimates on order reported Bill an act to secure the more prompt payment of County taxes. Report accepted Rules suspended read three times amended as per sheet "A" & passed to be engrossed, sent up

Mr Stetson from the Com. on Frontier and Coast Defences reported finally
Report accepted, Sent up.

Report of Com. on Judiciary reporting legislation inexpedient on order relating to County Houses of correction.

Report of Com. on Agriculture reporting finally
Accepted in concurrence.

Resolve relating to certain claims growing out of the war claim of Massachusetts on the Treasury of the United States, read a second time & on motion of Mr. Gunnison of Scarboro laid upon the table.

Resolve for the removal of the seat of government presented by leave by Mr. Tarbox of Robbinston, Mr. Manson of Bangor moved its indefinite postponement and on this question Mr. Leavitt of Waterboro moved & the House ordered the Yeas & Nays & being so taken the same was postponed indefinitely by Yeas 64 Nays 52 as follows
Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs Baker Beane Birbe I.L. Bloke Burgess Butler, Schan Clark Clay Cleaveland Cony Crosby Crawford A. Davis Drummond Dudley Duley Dyer Eddy Eldred R.W. Ellis S. Ellis, Foss Chas. Foster I Foster Golder, Haley D.M. Hackell Hathaway, Hayden, Hinks S.A. Holbrook Howie, Kellar, Lambert Laughton Lace Lawrence Learned Lothrop Low Manson McCausland, Miller, J.W.C. Moore

Palmer J L Parker, Peckham, Porter, Rigby Robbins Robbinson, Ross, Rowe, Scott, Shea Skolfield, Sleeper, Stetson Stone, Thing Trundy Tucker, Turner, Warren.

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs W R Ayer, S H Blake, Boothby, Brown Buckman Cherley, Clough, Conant S B Davis, Day Fernald O Foster, Gilman Goodwin Gunnison, Hanson H G O Hackell, Hodgman, Holyoke Howard Hussey Hayford, Jellison, Kent, Kingsbury Leavitt, F Lowell Moses Lowell Lyman McLellan, McMaster Merrill J Moore, Page J W Parker, C C Perkins D Perkins Reed Rodgers Shaw, Smith Stacy Stickney Stone Swift Talbot Tarbox Wardwell, Winslow and Worcester.

Bill an act to authorize Tristram Goddthwait & Lyman F Verrill to construct a wharf at the pool in Biddeford.

Bill an act to incorporate the Dover & Foxcroft Village Fire Company & to repeal an act to incorporate the Foxcroft Village Fire Company

Bill an act in relation to the Election of Wardens & clerks of Cities.

Bill an act relating to fees of Registers of Deeds.

Bill an act to incorporate the Robinson Manufacturing Company.

Bill an act to make valid the doings of Hiram Bass.

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Bill an act to repeal Chap. 109 of the private acts of 1861 relating to scaling of lumber.

Bill an act additional to Chap 130 of the laws of 1862 entitled an act to regulate the Agencies for & to prevent imposition in the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Bill an act to amend Sec. 9 of chap 32 of the R.S. relating to days of grace.

Bill an act to amend chap 71 Sec 17 of the R.S. relating to sales of real Estate.

Bill an act relating to judicial proceedings in Knox County.

Bill an act to amend chap 174 of the Laws of 1860 relating to nuisances.

Bill an act to amend the 46th chapter of the R.S. relating to returns of stockholders in Manufacturing Corporations.

Resolve repealing Resolve in favor of Alexander S. Turner & Chas. W Buckman.

Resolve for the payment of Expenses incurred in negotiating State Loan.

Resolve to amend Resolve in favor of certain Banks in the State of Maine.

Resolve in addition to Resolve in favor of Henry Upton

Resolve in favor of the towns of Bremen and Smyrna & Macwahoc Plantation.

Resolve in favor of George W. Turkey and Frederick O. Chick

These bills having been three times read & the Resolves twice read each passed to be engrossed & repeated by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly & strictly engrossed the Bills were passed to be enacted Resolves passed finally each signed by the Speaker & sent to the Senate,

On motion of Mr Crosby of Dexter

Ordered. That when this House adjourn it be till tomorrow morning at ten o'clock

On motion of Mr Hayden of Bath,

Adjourned

Attest Chas. A. Millen, Clerk

Friday March 20 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Ballou of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of Com. on Judiciary reporting Legislation inexpedient on order concerning the appointment of tutors.

Accepted in concurrence.

Report of Com. on Militia & Mil. Affairs to which was recommitted bill an act to amend & organize the Militia of Maine reporting the same ought to pass. This report came from the Senate accepted & the bill amended as per sheet "A" passed to be engrossed.

Report of Com. on Education to which was referred the memorial of the Trustees of Farmington Academy reporting bill an act for the establishment of Normal schools. This report came from the Senate accepted & the bill amended as per sheet "A" passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing reports were accepted in concurrence, bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for a third reading.

Report of Com. on Agriculture on so much of the Governors Address as relates to the Agricultural College reporting certain Resolves

This Report came from the Senate amended by substituting therefor the Report of a minority of said Committee & accepted & the Resolves entitled = Resolve relating to the acceptance of the grant of land from the U. S. to the State of Maine for Agricultural Mechanical and Military purposes, also Resolve relating to the assignment of scrip for the College for the benefit of Agriculture & the Mechanic Arts passed to be engrossed.

The Subject of the Report was considered & on motion of Mr. Thing of Mt. Vernon laid upon the table and this afternoon at 2½ o'clock assigned.

Mr. Boothby from the Comm. on Leave of Absence reported an order excusing Messrs H. G. O. Hackell and Wm Duley, members of this House from further attendance.

Report accepted. Order read & passed.

On motion of Mr. Cony of Augusta Adjourned till 2½ o'clock, p.m.

Afternoon Session.

Met according to adjournment.

Order excusing Messrs Holbrook & McMaster members of this House from further attendance. Refd. to Com. on Leave of Absence.

Mr. Cony from Com. on (Leave of Absence) Banks & Banking an order relating to Banking Laws reported bill an act to authorize the surrender of the charters of existing

banks in this State & to remit a portion of the bank tax. Report accepted & the Report & bill laid upon the table & 350 copies of the same ordered to be printed for the use of the legislature

Resolve for the adjustment of the claim of the State on the bond of B. D. Peck and his sureties, presented by Mr. Kingsbury of Portland under a suspension of the rules, read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading,

Report of Com. on Agriculture on the subject of an Agricultural & Mechanical College being the subject under consideration when the House adjourned was taken up and the question being upon substituting the report of a minority of the Com. = the House having ordered the Yeas & Nays the amendment was rejected by Yeas 25 Nays 88 as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs. Chesley, Corry Crawford Dudley P. Foster Frye, Hinks Hodgman, Hoxie Hufford Lambert Lane Learned Libby Low Miller J. M. C. Moore Palmer Rigby Robbins Shea Skolfield Thing Trundy Turner

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs. D F Ayer, W R Ayer, Baker Beane Bisbee J L Blake S H Blake Boothby Bradford Burgess Buxton Clark Cleaveland Clough, Cobb, Conant Crosby, A Davis S B Davis Day Donnell Duley Dyer Eddy Eldred S Ellis Fernald Fox C Foster, I Foster Gilman Golden Goodwin Gunnison Haley Hammond Hanson D M Hackett H G Hackett Hathaway Hayden S A Hollrook

Holyoke, Howard, Hussey Jellison Kellar Kent Kingsbury, Laughton Lawrence Lothrop F Lowell Mark Lowell Moses Lowell Manson McCausland, McIntire, McLellan, McMaster Merrill, J Moore, Page, J L Parker J W Parker Peckham, C C Perkins Dan. Perkins Reed Robinson, Rodgers, Scott Shaw Sleeper Smith Stacy, Stetson, Stone, Stover Swift, Talbot, Tarbox, Tucker, Wardwell, Watts, Welt Williams, Worcester,

The Report of the majority of said Committee was then accepted,

Resolve relating to a College for the benefit of Agriculture & the Mechanic Arts, Rules suspended read twice amended as per sheet A & passed to be engrossed, sent up

Resolve providing for an amendment of the Constitution relating to the Election franchise taken from the table read a second time amended as per sheet "A". Mr, Stover of Harpswell moved to amend further as per sheet "B" & this was pending when on on motion of Mr, Hayden of Bath,

Adjourned

Attest

Charles A. Miller,

Clerk,

Saturday March 21. 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Stone of Jay.

The Journal of yesterday was read & opposed.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of Com. on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance reporting the Returns of Insurance Companies & that the same be placed on file.

Report of Com. on St. Prisons reporting finally

Report of Com. on St. Lands & St Roads reporting finally

Report of Com. on Railroads Ways & Bridges reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Putnam Rolf sals.
Also reference to the next Legislature on pet of E.K. Harding sals
Also reporting finally

Report of Com. on Mil. & Military Affairs reporting reference to the next Legislature on petition of Daniel Bunker
Reports accepted in concurrence.

Bill an act to provide a depository for wills came from the Senate postponed indefinitely The House recede and concur.

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Bill an act relating to Trial Justices Justices of the Peace & Justices of the Peace and Quorum came from the Senate postponed indefinitely. The House insisted upon its former vote.

Resolve for the purchase of 300 copies of the R. S. came back from the Senate amended adopted. The House insisted on its former vote

Resolves providing for amendments of the Constitution in relation to the election of Governor & Councillors came back from the Senate that branch insisting on its former vote. The House insisted on its former vote

Report of Com. on Scientific Survey of the State repealing Resolve making an appropriation for a continuation of the Scientific Survey of the State came from the Senate accepted & the Resolve passed to be engrossed. On motion of Mr. Hicks of Bucksport the same was laid upon the table.

Resolves repealing Resolve in favor of W. H. Lumbey & Herman Nye came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A" passed to be engrossed. The House recede from its vote passing the Resolve finally to be engrossed, concur in Senate amendment & pass the same to be engrossed in concurrence.

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Report of Com. on Judiciary on bill an act additional to Chap 81 of the R.S. relating to the attachment of property on mesne process & civil actions reporting the same ought to pass

Also on bill an act additional to chap. 94 of the R.S. relating to tenancies at will reporting the same ought to pass

Report of Com. on R.W. & Bridges on petition of J.W. North also reporting bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the proprietors of the Hallowell & Chelsea bridge

Report of Com. on State Library on annual report of State Librarian reporting Resolves providing for the purchase of certain Law reports for State Library, also for paying the contingent expenses of the Library

Resolve for placing an inscription upon the Masonic Monument about to be erected to the memory of the late Gov. Robert P. Dunlap These reports came from the Senate accepted, & the bills & resolves passed to be engrossed. Reports accepted in concurrence bills read twice, resolves read once & Monday next assigned.

Report of Com. on Judiciary on bill an act additional to chap 33 of the Laws of 1858 relating to Drinking Houses and Tippling Shops reporting the same ought to pass came from the Senate accepted and the bill postponed indefinitely. Report accepted bill read twice & Monday assigned.

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Bill an act in aid of the families of Volunteers reported with Sundry amendments by Mr. Crosby of Dexter from the Com. of Conference on the disagreeing vote of the two Houses; the bill was amended as follows The House recede & concur in rejecting House amendments "A" "E" & "I". also concur in amendment "H" as amended by the Senate Amendment K of the Senate amended as per sheet No. 1 Senate amendment S amended as per sheet No. 1. Senate amendment M rejected further amended as per sheets "N" "O" "P" & "Q" & as amended passed to be engrossed & sent to the Senate

Bill an act to incorporate the Warren Manufacturing Company

Bill an act to incorporate the Gorges Monument Association

Resolve in favor of S. T. Holbrook,

The foregoing were received under a suspension of the rule — bills read three times Resolve twice & each passed to be engrossed, sent up for concurrence,

Bill an act to amend chap 47 of the R.S. relating to printing abstracts from returns of Cashier of Banks taken from the table & passed to be engrossed, sent up,

Resolves relating to the future establishment of an Industrial College presented by Mr. Goodwin of Biddeford & Monday assigned

Mr. Boothby from Com on Leave of Absence reported an order excusing S. T. Holbrook. Accepted & order passed.

Order excusing B. H. Chesley member of this House. Refd. to Com. Leave of Absence.

Resolves providing for an amendment of the Constitution relating to the Elective franchise, taken from the table on motion of Mr. Hayden of Bath and refd. to Com. on Judiciary, sent up.

Resolve providing for the adjustment of the claim of the State on the bond of B. D. Peck and his sureties was twice read amended as per sheet "A" and postponed indefinitely.

On motion of Mr. Thing of Mt. Vernon Ordered That the Secy. of State be directed to deliver to each of the clerks in the several departments of State one copy of the Adjutant's Report, bound.

Bill an act to make valid the doings of the town of Farmingdale having been three times read & passed to be engrossed reported by the Com. on Engrossed Bills as truly & strictly engrossed was passed to be enacted signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Cleaveland of Madison adjourned till 2½ o'clock this Afternoon

Afternoon Sitting

Bill an act additional to an act entitled an act authorizing the taking of lands for forts and other purposes passed March 13, 1863

Bill an act additional to chap 6 of the R.S. relating to the collection of taxes.

Resolu providing for the procuration of certain books & publications to literary institutions & public libraries.

Resolu in favor of Wm. McCrea

These bills having been three times read & the Resolu twice read were each passed to be engrossed & carried.

Bill an act to amend chap 131 of the Acts of 1855 in relation to the promulgation of the public laws.

Bill an act to amend chap 136 of the

Acts of 1862 relating to interest on money

Bill an act relating to the municipal Court of the City of Biddeford.

Bill an act to amend chap 180 of the R.S. relating to ways.

Resolves in regard to the armament of the forts of the U.S. lying within the State of Maine.

These bills were twice read under a suspension of the rules and Monday assigned.

Mr. Bloke from the Com. on Banks and Banking on bill an act additional to chap 47 of the R.S. relating to receivers of banks reported the same ought to pass.

Mr Goodwin from Com. on Judiciary on bill an act to enlarge the powers of the recorder of the Municipal Court of Portland reported the same ought to pass.

Reports accepted, bills read twice and Monday assigned.

Report of Joint Select Com. on Liquor Law on various petitions reporting bill an act explanatory of an act for the suppression of drinking houses & tippling shops Appd. Mch. 25 1858, came from the Senate accepted & the bill postponed indefinitely. Reported accepted bill read twice and Monday asd. for third reading.

Bill an act for the Establishment of Normal schools taken from the table read a third time: Senate amendment "A" adopted further amended as per sheets "B" "C" "D" "E" "F" "G" & "H" the question being upon passing the same to be engrossed Mr. Ellis of Northport moved & the House ordered the Yeas & Nays & being so taken the bill was passed to be engrossed by Yeas 64 Nays 29

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs. Baker, Bearce Birbo, Blake, Brodfield Butler, Schaw, Clark, Cleaveland Conant Crosby, Crawford, S B Davis, Dingley, Dudley Dyer, R W Ellis S Ellis, Fernald, Fox, Frye Gilman, Goodwin, Gunnison, Hammond, Hanson D M Hackell, Hachaway Hayden, Hinks Hodgdon S A Holbrook Holyoke Howard Hussey Jellison Kent, Kingsbury, Laughton Lawrence, Mark Lowell Mans Lowell, Manson McCausland, McMaster, Merrill, Page, J L Parker, J W Parker, Peckham, Reed Rigby Robinson Rogers, Scott Skolfield, Smith Stacy Stetson Stone, Thing Trundy, Worcester

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs. W. R. Ayer, S H Blake, Boothby, Chesley Clough, Cony, Day, Eddy, C Foster I. Foster O Foster, Kellar, Lambert, Law, Leavitt Lyman, McIntire, Miller, J W C Moore J Moore, C C Perkins, Shea Stover, Talbot Turner, Wardwell, Watts, Welt & Williams

On motion of Mr Kingsbury of Portland Ordered That when this House adjourns it adjourn till Monday morning at 10 o'clock

Mr Kingsbury from Com. on Judiciary on order relating to reducing the number of S.J. Court Judges reported legislation thereon inexpedient. On motion of Mr. Smith of Westbrook laid upon the table.

Mr. Clay from Com. on Judiciary reported legislation inexpedient on order authorizing aid to families of volunteers.

Mr Kingsbury from same Com. reported leave to withdraw on petition of S.L. Kimball sols
Also legislation inexpedient on order relating to demurrers.
Reports accepted, sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to change the name of Harriet Norton Young

Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the Aroostook Railroad.

Bill an act to provide for taxing bank stock

Bill an act to amend secs. 3 & 6 of the R.S. relating to Auctions & Auctioneers

Bill an act to change the names of certain persons

Bill an act to amend chap. 4 of the R.S. relating to Elections

Resolve repealing resolves in favor of Wm Poor jr Robert Waugh and David Stroud

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These bills having been three times read & the Resolves twice read each passed to be engrossed & repeated by the Com on Engrossed Bills as truly & strictly engrossed the bills were passed to be enacted, Resolves passed finally each signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr Rigby of Newbury

Adjourned

Attest

Charles A. Miller, Clerk.

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Monday March 23, 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Penny of Augusta.

The Journal of Saturday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of Com. on Mil. & Military Affairs re=
porting leave to withdraw on petition of George
P. Knight, vol.

Report of Com. on Indian Affairs rep'g. finally
Accepted in concurrence.

Bill an act amending chap 11 of the R.S.
relating to Education of Youth came back
from the Senate that branch adhering to its
former vote, The House adhere.

Resolve making a conditional grant of land
to the Maine St. Seminary came back
from the Senate refd. to the next Legislature
The House concur.

Bill an act concerning R. R mortgages
came back from the Senate refd. to the
next Legislature, On motion of Mr. Hayden
of Bath laid upon the table

Bill an act additional to chap 94 of the
R.S. relating to tenancies.

Bill an act additional to chap 81 of the

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R.S. relating to attachments of property on mesne process and civil actions.

Bill an act to make valid the doings of school dist No. 3 in the town of Peru

Resolve providing for the purchase of certain law reports for the State Library also for paying the contingent expenses of the Library.

Resolve for placing an inscription upon the Mann's Monument about to be erected to the memory of the late Gov. Robert P Dunlop.

The foregoing bills having been thrice read with Resolves bills read once each passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to enlarge the powers of the Recorder of the Municipal Court of the City of Portland.

Bill an act to amend chap. 136 of the Acts of 1862 in relation to the citizenship of money.

Bill an act to amend chap. 18 of the R.S. relating to ways

Bill an act additional to chap. 49 of the R.S. relating to securities of Banks.

Bill an act relating to the municipal Courts of the City of Biddeford.

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Bill an act to authorize the City of Portland & towns of Westbrook & Falmouth to exempt the Portland Shovel Manufacturing company from taxation

Resolve in regard to the armament of the Forts of the U.S. lying in the State of Maine

Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the proprietors of the Hallowell and Chelsea Bridge. Senate amendment "A" adopted, further amended as per sheet "B"

These bills having been three times read & the Resolves twice read were passed to be engrossed, sent up for concurrence,

Bill an act to amend chap 131 of the Acts of 1855 being an act for the promulgation of the public laws, read a third time & postponed indefinitely.

Mr Boothby from Com. on Leave of Absence reported an order excusing B. H. Cherley from further attendance
Report accepted, order passed

Report of Joint Select Com. on Scientific Survey of State taken from the table. Mr. Hammond of Paris moved to amend by substituting the report of a minority of Sd. Committee. Mr. Foster of Mercy moved & the House ordered the Yeas & Nays & the subject was pending when on motion of Mr. Thing of Mt. Vernon
Adjourned till 2½ o'clock P.M.

Afternoon Session

Met according to adjournment

Report of Com. on Scientific Survey of State taken up & amended by substituting the report of a minority of W. Committee by Yeas 59 Nays 34 as follows,

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs W. R. Ayer, Baker, Birbe, J. L. Bloke Borchty, Burgess, Chesley, Clark, Cleveland Clough, Conant, Cony, Crosby, Crawford, Dudley Eddy, R. W. Ellis, S. Ellis, Fernald, Fox, C. Foster I. Foster, O. Foster, Gilman, Hammond D. M. Hackett Hathaway, Hinks, Holyoke, Huxford, Jellison Lambert, Laughton Lane, Learned Low, M Lowell, Lyman, McIntire Miller J. W. Moore Joseph Moore, Palmer J. L. Parker, J. W. Parker Peckham C. C. Perkins Dan. Perkins Reed Rigby Robbins Scott Trundy Tucker Turner Wardwell Watts Welt Williams

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs. Abbott, Bradford, Butler, A. Davis Daley, Dyer, Eldred Goodwin Gunnison Hanson, Hayden Hodgman S. Holbrook Howard Hoxie Kent, Kingsbury Lawrence Lothrop Miner Lowell Manson McCausland McLellan Merrill Page Rodgers Ross Shea Skolfield, Smith Stone Talbot Thing and Worcester,

The report was sent to the Senate,

Report of Com. on Div. of Towns on petition of Isaac Carleton & als came back from the Senate that branch substituting a report of a minority of W. Com. & passing to be engrossed

Bill an act to incorporate the town of Columbia Falls. Mr Gunnison of Scarboro moved the House insist on its former vote accepting the report of the majority. Mr Ellis of Northport moved & the House ordered the Yeas & Nays & being so taken the House refused to insist by Yeas 49 Nays 52

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs Abbott, Wm R Ayer, Baker, Bieber S H Blake, Bradford, Butler, Schaw Conant Dyer, Eddy, R W Ellis, Fernald Fox Foster. I Foster Goodwin Gunnison D M Hackell Hathaway, Hodgman Holyoke Howard Hoxie Jellison Kellar Mark Lowell Moses Lowell McCausland McIntire McMaster Merrill Page Palmer Peckham C C Perkins Reed Rigby Robbins Robbinson Rodgers Skolfield Sleeper Smith Stetson, Stover Talbot, Tucker & Williams

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs Beane, I L Blake, Brothy Burgess Chesley Clark Clay Clough Crosby Crawford A Davis S B Davis Dudley Duley S Ellis Foster Frye Gilman Haley Hammond Hanson Hayden Hinks Sassoolbrook Hufford, Kent, Kingsbury, Lambert Lawrence Learned Leavitt, Lothrop Low Lyman Manson, McLellan, Miller J M Moore Joseph Moore J. L. Parker, J. W. Parker Scott, Shea, Stacy, Stone Tarbox Thing Trundy, Turner, Wardwell, Watts Worcester

Bill an act to incorporate the town of Columbia Falls read three times under a suspension of the rules & passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr Goodwin from Com. on Judiciary on order relating to registry of deeds &c reported bill an act to amend chap 61 of the R.S. relating to the rights of married women Also bill an act relating to Dower

Mr. Cony from Com. on Banks & Banking on order reported bill an act to authorize the surrender of the charters of existing banks in this state & to remit a portion of the bank tax, Report accepted, Bill read twice & lomorrow assd.

Resolve locating & designating certain lands for settlement, read a second time & passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act additional to chap 25 of the R.S. relating to fences & common fields reported by Com. of Conference. The House insist upon its vote passing this bill to be engrossed

Orders Excusing Sutton Law, W P Beard, J.W. ~~Hayes~~ J McMoore, Hanover, J L Parker H. Gilman members of this House.
Refd. to Com. on Leave of Absence

Bill an act to increase the efficiency of the Militia, taken up & considered Senate amendment "A" adopted & the question being upon passing the same to be engrossed Mr. Manson of Bangor moved & the House ordered the Yeas & Nays & being so taken the bill was passed to be engrossed by Yeas 55 Nays 24 as follows
Those who voted in the affirmative are

Messrs. Abbott, Barker, J L Blake, Bishop, Burgess
Clay, Cleaveland, Crosby, A Davis, S B Davis
Dudley Dyer, Eddy S Ellis Farrell, I Foster
O Foster, Gilman Haley Hanson, D McPatchell
Hodgman, S A Holbrook Holyoke, Kingsley
Lambert, Laughton Law, Lawrence Mark
Lovell, Mann Lowell, Lyman, Manson, McLellan
Merrill Miller J W C Moore, J L Parker, J M Parker
Peckham, Reed, Rigby Rodgers, Ross, Scott Shea
Stacy Stetson Taylor Thing Trendy Turner
Wardrell, Watts Williams & Worcester

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs
W R Ayer, S H Blake, Brightly, Butler, Schaw
Clark Eldred R W Ellis Fernald, O Foster
Gordon, Hathaway, Hayden, Hicks, Jillison
Kellar, McIntire McMaster, J Moore Page
C C Perkins Shelfield Smith Stover & Tucker

On motion of Mr. Crosby of Dexter the House reconsidered this vote further amended the bill as per sheet "B" & passed the same to be engrossed, sent up

Mr. Bean from Common Mil & Military affairs reported reference to the next Legislature on order relating to military purchases

Order relating to final adjournment of the Legislature came from the Senate passed & Messrs Merrow of Sagadahoc, Jewelyn of Franklin & Reed of Lincoln appointed a Committee on the part of the Senate.
Passed in concurrence & Messrs Clay of Gardiner, Foster of Henry, Rogers of Kittery, Conant of Rockland, Cleaveland of Madison Miller of Princeton and Ayer of

Lincoln joined on the part of the House

Resolve relating to the future establishment of an Industrial College read a second time & was pending when

On motion of Mr. Cony of Augusta

Adjourned

Attest,

Charles A. Miller, Clerk,

LLMC DIGITAL

Tuesday March 24 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Ingraham of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of Joint Select Com. on Kennebec Fisheries on order relating to Fish Wardens reporting bill an act relating to the fisheries on the Kennebec River came from the Senate accepted & the bill passed to be engrossed. Report accepted in concurrence Rules suspended bill read three times & passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to change the name of Hartley D. Hitchcock.

Resolves in relation to certain claims growing out of the war claims of Massachusetts on the treasury of the United States.

Engrossed & sent up for concurrence.

Report of Com. on Judiciary on pet. of Palmer & Johnson reporting bill an act further extending the charter of the Bangor Boom Company.

Also on order relating to settlement of estates bill an act to amend chap. 64 of the R.S. relating to administrators.

Also on petition of Sundry persons bill an act to amend the act incorporating the Mattawamkeag Dam Company. Appd. June 3 1851 and additional thereto.

Bill an act to pay bounties to soldiers drafted into the service of the United States
These reports came from the Senate accepted & the bills passed to be engrossed. Reports accepted in concurrence bills read twice & this afternoon appd. for third reading.

Report of Com. on Education reporting finally
Accepted in concurrence.

Report of Com. on Scientific Survey of State came from the Senate that branch insisting on its former vote the House adhere to its former vote.

Resolve providing for amendments of the Constitution in relation to the Election of Governor & Senators came from the Senate that branch insisting on its former vote. House adheres

Bill an act relating to Trial Justice, Justice of the Peace & Justices of the Peace & Quorum came from the Senate that branch insisting on its former vote. House adheres

Resolve relating to the purchase of stationery for the State Departments & the Legislature, came from the Senate postponed indefinitely
The House insist propose a conference and appoint Messrs Lyman of Brachias, Chase of Turner & Hammond of Paris Conferees.

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Resolve in favor of Dist. No. 2 in the town of Madison, read once & this afternoon assigned.

Resolve relating to reduction in price of paper came back from the Senate postponed indefinitely, The House insist.

Bill an act to authorize the surrender of existing charters of banks in this State and to remit a portion of the Bank tax, taken from the table read a third time. Mr. Gunnison of Scarboro moved to amend as per sheet "A" & on the adoption of this amendment Mr. Ellis of Northport moved & the House ordered the Yeas & Nays & being so taken the amendment was rejected by Yeas 29 & Nays 71 as follows

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs Baker, Boothby, Brown, S. Chase, Clough, Crosby, R W Ellis, S Ellis, Fernald, Fox, Frye, Golden, Gunnison, Howard, Kellar, Lawrence, F Lowell, J Moore, Palmer, C C Perkins, D Perkins, Rodgers, Scott, Stover, Swift, Watts, & Williams

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs Abbott, Bearce, Bisbee, J L Blake, S H Blake, Bradford, Burgess, Chesley, Clark, Cleaveland, Cobb, Cony, S B Davis, Day, Donnell, Dudley, Dyer, Eldred, Farwell, C Foster, I Foster, Gilman, Goodwin, Hammond, D McHackell, Hayden, Hicks, Hodgman, S A Holbrook, Holyoke, Hussey, Jellison, Kingsbury, Lambert, Laughton, Law, Learned, Leavitt, Libby, Low, Moses Lowell, Lyman, Manson, McCausland, McIntire, McIntire, McLellan, McMarter, Merrill, Miller, J W Moore, ~~J Moore~~, Page, J L Parker, J W Parker, Peckham, Randlett, Reed, Rigby, Robbins, Robinson, Shaw

Shea, Shelfield, Sleeper, Smith, Slatner, Stone, Tabor, Thing, Tucker, Turner, Wardwell & Wrenter.

The bill was then amended as per sheet "B" & passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate.

Bill an act relating to divorce.

Resolve relating to County Estimates of Somerset County presented by Mr. Gunnison of Scarboro read twice & passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

Order excusing R. W. Ellis & Orrin Foster from further attendance this session. Refd. to Com. on Leave of Absence.

Bill an act for the assessment of a State tax for the year 1863 amounting to $495,366.99

Bill an act additional to chap 22 of the R. S. relating to fences & common fields.

Bill an act additional to chap. 81 of the R. S. relating to the attachment of Property on mesne process & civil actions.

Bill an act to secure the prompt payment of County taxes.

Bill an act to amend an act entitled an act relating to Reviews Appd. Mch 27 1858

Bill an act to make valid the doings of School Dist No 3 in the town of Peru.

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Bill an act additional to chap. 6 of the R.S. relating to the collection of taxes.

Bill an act in addition to chap 86 of the R.S. relating to Trustee disclosures

Bill an act to incorporate the Warren Manufacturing Company

Bill an act to incorporate the Gorges Monument Association.

Bill an act to change the time of holding the April term of the S.I. Court in the county of Lincoln

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Resolve providing for the purchase of certain law reports for the State Library also for paying the contingent expenses of said Library.

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Resolve relating to the binding of certain pamphlets and Newspapers.

Resolve repealing Resolve in favor of William W. Quinby

Resolve in favor of Seth T. Hallock.

Resolve for placing an inscription upon the Masonic Monument about to be erected to the memory of the late Governor Robert P. Dunlop.

Then bills having been three times read the Resolves twice each hoped to be engrossed repealed by the Committee Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly Engrossed the Bills were hoped to be enacted. Resolves hoped finally, Each signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned till 2½ o'clock P. M.

Afternoon Session.

But according to adjournment

Bill an act to amend the act incorporating the Mattawamkeag Drive Co. approved June 3 1857 & additional thereto read a third time amended as per sheet "A" and hoped to be engrossed sent to the Senate

Report of Com on Judiciary referring reference to the next Legislature on petition of Frederick Gardiner &c

Accepted in concurrence,

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Mr Crosby from Penobscot Co. Delegation on bill an act to establish the compensation of the Clerk of Courts of Penobscot County reported ought not to pass
Accepted sent up.

Resolve in favor of Wm H. McCrillis being being on its final passage was on motion of Mr. Dudley of Presque Isle referred to the next Legislature sent up.

Resolve in favor of Dist. No 2 in the town of Madison read a second time & passed to be engrossed in concurrence

On motion of Mr. Rigby of Newburg
Ordered That no member of this House be allowed to speak more than ten minutes on one subject during the remainder of this session

Mr. Boothby from the Com. on Leave of Absence reported an order excusing Henry Gilman, J.W.C. Moore J.C. Parker J.H. Frye R.W. Ellis, Sutcher Saw. W.T. Bearce I. Lawrence & Orrin Foster from further attendance
Report accepted. Order passed

Report of Com. on Judiciary on order relating to reducing the number of S. J. Court Judges reporting legislation inexpedient taken from the table amended as per sheet "A" & the question being upon accepting the report Mr. Gunnison of Scarboro moved & the House ordered the Yeas and Nays & being so taken the report was

accepted by Year 83 Nays 23

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs Abbott. D F Ayer W R Ayer Baker Barber S H Blake. Boothby Bradford. Burgess Butler S Chase. Clark Clough. Conant. Cony Crosby Day. Daley Dyer Eddy Eldred R W Ellis S Ellis Farrell. Fernald Foss C Foster I Foster O Foster Gilman. Golder. Goodwin. Gunnison Haley Hammond Hanson D M Hackett Hinks Hodgman Sastolbrook Holyoke, Howard, Hoxie Hussey Hixford. Jellison. Kellar Lambert Laughton Lace. Lawrence. Learned Leavitt Libby Lothrop Low. Mark Lowell, Manson McCaneland McIntire McMaster. Miller. Page Palmer J L Parker C C Perkins Dan. Perkins Randlett Reed Rigby Robbins Robinson Rowe Scott Shea Skolfield Sleeper Smith Stetson Stover Talbot Tucker Williams

Those who voted in the Negative were Messrs. Bearce. Cleaveland. Cobb. Crawford. S B Davis Hathaway Hayden Kent Kingsbury Moses Lowell Lyman. McLellan. Merrill. J W Parker Peckham Rodgers. Shaw. Stacy. Stone. Thing Turner Watts & Worcester.

Bill an act in relation to the S. J. Court. Rules suspended read three times & passed to be engrossed, sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act explanatory of an act for the suppression of Drinking Houses & Tippling Shops Appd. Mch 25 1858 read a third time & the question being upon concurring with the Senate in postponing indefinitely the bill. Mr Rigby of Newbury moved & the House ordered the Year & Nays & being so taken

the House refused to concur by Yeas 48 Nays 49

Those who voted in the Affirmative were Messrs Abbott, W R Ayer, Boothby Bradford Burgess, Schaw, Clark Corry Crosby Day Drummond, Duley, Dyer, Eldred S Ellis Farrell, Fernald, C Foster, O Foster, Gilman Golder, Goodwin, Gunnison Hammond D M Harkell, Hodgman, S A Holbrook Howard Jellison, Lambert, Leavitt, Manson McIntire McLellan McMaster Miller J Moore Page C C Perkins D Perkins Robbins Rodgers Sleeper Smith Stetson Talbot Tucker & Williams

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs D F Ayer Baker Bearce Birbee J L Blake Bradbury Buster, Cleaveland Conant Crawford S B Davis, Donnell R W Ellis Foss I Foster Haley, Hathaway Hinks Holyoke Huxford Kent, Kingsbury, Laughton Lawrence Learned Libbey, Low, Lyman, McCausland, J W C Moore Palmer, J L Parker, J W Parker Peckham, Randlett Rigby Robinson Rowe Scott, Shea, Stacy, Stone, Swift, Thing Turner Watts & Worcester.

The bill accompanying was passed to be engrossed & sent to the Senate.

Bill an act to pay bounty to Soldiers who may be drafted into the service of the U. S. under the late conscript act of Congress

Bill an act to amend Chap. 64 of the R. S. relating to administrators

Bill an act further extending the charter of the Bangor Boom Co.

The foregoing were read a third time & passed to be engrossed in concurrence

Bill an act to extend the time for completing the European & North American Railway

Bill an act to amend chap 61 of the R.S. relating to rights of married women.

Bill an act relating to dower
The foregoing were read a third time & passed to be engrossed. sent to the Senate.

Bill an act to amend chap 33 of the Laws of 1858 relating to Drinking Houses & tippling Shops. Indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Bill an act to amend chap 257 of the Resolves of 1858 relating to printing public documents, came from the Senate postponed indefinitely, House concur.

Report of Com. on Military Pensions reporting finally.

Report of Com on Judiciary reporting legislation inexpedient on order relating to R.R. Corporations.
Also leave to withdraw on pet of J. P. Thurston
Accepted in concurrence.

Mr Cony from Com. on Banks & Banking reported leave to withdraw on pet of S. G. Haskell
Also reported finally
Accepted, sent up for concurrence

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Report of Com. on Mer. Affairs & Insurance on act additional relating to Foreign Insurance Companies reporting same ought to pass

Report accepted in concurrence Rules suspended bill read three times & passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolves relating to the establishment of a future Industrial College read a second time amended as per sheets A.B.&C & passed to be engrossed sent up for concurrence

Resolve authorizing the purchase of 25 copies of the R.S. On motion of Mr Hodgman of Warren the House reconsidered its vote passing this to be engrossed. Amended as per sheet "A" & passed to be engrossed. sent up.

Bill an act to amend chap 18 of the R.S. relating to Ways

Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the proprietors of Hallowell & Chelsea Bridge.

Bill an act to amend chap. 136 of the public Acts of 1862 in relation to interest on money

Bill an act relating to the Municipal Court of the City of Biddeford

Bill an act to increase the efficiency of the Militia

Bill an act relating to Fisheries on the Kennebec River

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Bill an act for the establishment of Normal schools.

Bill an act to authorize the City of Portland & towns of Westbrook & Falmouth to exempt the Portland Steam Company from taxation

Bill an act to incorporate the town of Columbia Falls.

Bill an act to provide support for families of volunteers

Bill an act additional to chap. 47 of R.S. relating to Receivers of Banks.

Resolve in regard to the armament of forts of the U.S. lying within the State of Maine

These bills having been three times read & the Resolve twice read each passed to be engrossed & repealed by the Senate. Engrossed Bills as truly & strictly engrossed the Bills were passed to be enacted. Resolve passed finally each signed by the Speaker & sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Berry of Augusta

Adjourned

Attest Geo. A. Miller, Clerk.

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Wednesday, March 25, 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Bray of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Papers from the Senate

Resolve in favor of Wm. H. McCrillis came back from the Senate that branch insisting on its vote passing finally the same and proposing a Conference. The House receded and concurred in passing the Resolve.

Order excusing E. Rowe Abner Shaw, Sylvester Eddy, Charles Foster Geo Hammond S Robinson J Robbins jr, Joseph Moore B.F. Lothrop, B. Leavitt, M.B. Page, H.H. Miller and W.H. Scott, from further attendance.

Refd. to Com. on Leave of Absence.

On motion of Mr Butler of Hallowell

Ordered That the Secy. of State be directed to deliver to each of the Chaplains of this House one copy of the Adjt Genls. Report, bound.

Bill an act relating to attachments & the exemption of property therefrom taken from the table & postponed indefinitely, sent up.

Resolve in favor of Stevens & Sayward and Daniel T. Pike presented by Mr. Kingsbury of Portland read twice & passed to be engrossed sent up for concurrence.

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Mr Boothby from Com on Leave of Absence reported an order excusing Mess Robbins Peckham Rowe Jmoore Miller Lothrop Scott Chas Foster S Eddy Hammond McMaster Shaw & Robinson.

Report accepted. Order passed.

On motion of Mr. Watts of New Gloucester adjourned till 2½ o'clock p.m.

Afternoon Session

Met according to adjournment

Report of Com. on Library reporting finally.
Accepted in concurrence.

Bill an act extending the charter of the Bangor Boom Company

Bill an act to authorize the surrender of the charters of existing banks in this State and to remit a portion of the bank tax.

Bill an act to amend chap. 61 of the R.S. relating to rights of married women.

Bill an act to extend the time for completing the European & N.A. Railway

Bill an act to amend chap. 64 of the R.S. relating to administrators.

Bill an act to change the name of Hartley D. Hitchcock

Bill an act to amend an act incorporating the Mattawamkeag Dam Company Appd. June 3 1851 & additional thereto.

Bill an act relating to divorce.

Bill an act relating to dower.

Bill an act additional relating to foreign insurance companies

Resolve in favor of Dist No 2 in the town of Madison

Resolve in relation to certain claims growing out of the claim of Massachusetts on the Treasury of the United States.

Resolve authorizing the purchase of 25 copies of the R. S.

Resolve relating to County Estimates of the County of Somerset

The foregoing bills having been three times read & the Resolves twice read each passed to be engrossed & reputed by the Com. on Engrossed Bills as truly & strictly engrossed the Bills were passed to be enacted, Resolves passed finally each signed by the Speaker & sent to the Senate.

Bill an act to pay bounties to soldiers who may be drafted into the service of the U.S. under the late conscript act of Congress came back from the Senate that branch insisting & appointing Conferees. The House

insist & appoint Messrs Smith of Westbrook Kingsbury of Portland & Crosby of Dexter conferees on the part of the House

Report of Joint Select Com. on final adjournment

Report of Com. on Fisheries reporting finally.

Report of Com. on Judiciary reporting finally.
Accepted in concurrence.

Bill an act concerning R.R. mortgages.

Bill an act relating to collection of taxes in Cumberland County.
Refd. to the next Legislature.

Mr. Hodgman from Com. on Pay Roll reported Resolve on Pay Roll of the House. Report accepted Resolve read twice & passed to be engrossed, sent up for concurrence.

Resolve relating to the future establishment of an Industrial College

Resolve relating to a College for the benefit of Agriculture & the Mechanic Arts, having been twice read & passed to be engrossed, reported by the Com. on Engrossed Bills as truly & strictly engrossed were passed finally signed & sent to the Senate.

Resolve authorizing a loan in behalf of the State presented by Mr. Corry of Augusta rules suspended read twice & passed to be engrossed. sent up for concurrence.

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On motion of Mr. Cony of Augusta
Ordered. That when this House adjourns it adjourn to meet tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock

Resolve on the Pay Roll of the Senate read twice & passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Crosby of Dexter
The Clerk was charged with & conveyed a message to the Governor inquiring whether Resolve relating to the future establishment of an Industrial College had been approved
And the Governor was pleased to say he had signed the Resolve.

On motion of same gentleman
The clerk was charged with & conveyed a message to the Senate proposing a Convention of the Legislature in the Hall of Representatives this day at 5 o'clock for the purpose of choosing 13 Regents as provided by the Resolve before named.
A message was subsequently recd. from the Senate concurring in the proposition of the House.

Mr Cobb from Com on Finance reported Bill an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government. Report accepted Bill read three times and passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate

Resolve to sustain the National government read twice & Engrossed in concurrence

In Convention,

On motion of Mr. Roberts of Waldo.

A Committee consisting of one from each County was appointed to nominate a list of 13 Regents to be reported at a future Convention

The Convention was dissolved.

The House was called to order by Speaker,

On motion of Mr. Leavitt of Dexter

The Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate proposing a Convention of the Legislature in the House of Representatives tomorrow morning at 8½ o'clock for the purpose of choosing 13 Regents as provided by a Resolve relating to the future establishment of an Industrial College.

A message was subsequently received from the Senate concurring in the above proposition.

On motion of Mr. Kingsbury of Portland

Adjourned

Attest Charles A. Miller, Clerk,

Thursday March 26, 1863.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Stone of Jay.

The Journal of yesterday was read & approved.

Bill an act to provide in part for the Expenditures of government.

Bill an act to pay bounties to soldiers who may be drafted into the service of the U.S. under the late conscript act of Congress.

Bill an act to enlarge the powers of the recorder of the Municipal Court of the city of Portland.

Resolve on Pay Roll of Senate.

Resolve on Pay Roll of the House.

Resolve authorizing a loan in behalf of State.

Resolve in favor of Stevens & Sayward and Daniel T. Pike.

Resolve relating to National Affairs.

Resolve to sustain the National government.

Resolve in favor of Penobscot Indians.

The forgoing bills having been three times read & the Resolves three read each passed to be engrossed & repeated by the

Com. on Engrossed Bills as truly & strictly Engrossed the bills were passed to be enacted Resolves passed finally Each signed by the Speaker & sent to the Senate.

The Hour having arrived for the Convention the Senate came in and a Convention was formed.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Westbrook the Convention was dissolved.

A message was recd. from the Senate through its Secy. informing the House that the Senate had dispend of all business before it & was ready to adjourn sine die.

A message was subsequently sent to the Senate by Mr. Crosby of Dexter informing that branch that the House was ready to adjourn sine die.

Order from the Senate.

Ordered That a Com. of three on the part of the Senate with such as the House may join be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Governor and inform him that the Legislature had dispend of all matters before them & were ready to adjourn without day. This order came from the Senate read & passed & Messrs Morrow of Sagadahoc, Sanborn of York & Reid of Waldoboro appointed said Com. Read & passed in Com. & Messrs. Kingsbury of Portland, Smith of Westbrook, Cony of Augusta, Crosby of Dexter Hodgman of Warren, Jellison

of Biddeford & Brodford of Winchrop joined to said Com. on the part of the House.

Mr. Kingsley subsequently reported the Com. had discharged the duty assigned them and the governor was pleased to say he would communicate forthwith through the Secretary of State.

Subsequently a message was recd. from the Governor through the Secy. of State transmitting a list of the Acts & Resolves passed as this session of the Legislature, and informing the House he had no further communication to make.

Thereupon

Mr. Goodwin of Biddeford

rose and said

Mr. Speaker.

The hour for the final adjournment of this House having arrived after a session which has been marked for the harmony of its action and for disinterested devotion to the welfare of the State, and in view of the courtesy and kindly spirit that have characterised all the proceedings of the House both on the part of its members and its officers, I regard it as a duty grateful to my own feelings and equally so I believe to those of my political associates to express our acknowledgments to our very accomplished Speaker for the impartial, courteous and able manner in which he has discharged all the duties of his office; and as an expression of these sentiments of the members of this House

I ask leave Mr. Clerk, to lay upon your Desk a Resolve, with the request that the question of its adoption be taken by rising.—

Resolved:- That the thanks of this House are hereby tendered to Hon. Nelson Dingley jr for the marked impartiality, ability & courtesy with which he has presided over the deliberations of this House and for the kind and generous words and the gentlemanly manner which have characterized both his personal & private as well as his public & official intercourse with its members.

Mr. Gunnison of Scarboro seconded the Resolution.

Whereupon the Speaker Hon. Nelson Dingley jr rose & said:-

Gentlemen of the House of Representatives-

Accept my grateful acknowledgements for this expression of your approval of my official conduct. Whatever measure of success may have attended my efforts to discharge the delicate and responsible trusts imposed upon me is largely due to your cordial co-operation & generous forbearance. Allow me to bear witness to the industry, ability & faithfulness which have characterized your legislative labors and to congratulate you on the unusual harmony which has pervaded your deliberations, notwithstanding the inevitable conflicts of differing opinions and contending interests.

The brief period in which we have shared the pleasure of personal intercourse

and interchange of councils will I am sure be sacredly cherished in the memory of each member. As you return to your homes let me express the confident hope that each of you will bear with him the consciousness of having honestly endeavored to promote the public weal, a renewed determination to stand by the government in this hour of trial, and the faith that the same overruling Providence who has graceously spared the life of every member of this House, during the session which is about to close, will carry the republic safely and triumphantly through the fearful dangers which surround us.

I bid you farewell —

The Speaker then declared the House of Representatives adjourned without day.

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